COARSE GRAIN HIGH

Regular Advance in Barley and Oats Is Maintained.

EXPORT DEMAND IS FELT

Nine Hundred Tons Are Sold on Merchants' Exchange — Wheat Values More Than Recover Their Recent Loss.

The wheat market has more than come back after the recession at the opening of the week. Added to Tuesday's advances of 1 to 2 cents there were gains of 2 to 3 cents more yesterday. Oats and barley prices also scored good advances.

The Merchants Exchange sales in detail were as follows:

15,000 bushels March bluestem	$ 1.47
2,000 bushels March bluestem	1.47
10,000 bushels February Russian	1.35
2,000 bushels March Fife	1.40
200 tons prompt oats	36.00
100 tons February oats	36.50
500 tons March oats	37.50
100 tons May oats	38.50
100 tons prompt feed barley	30.50
100 tons March feed barley	32.00

March bluestem brought 3 cents over Tuesday's price and the red wheat sales were at 2 cents advance. Bids for other kinds and deliveries of wheat, as compared with the preceding day, ranged from unchanged to 1½ cents higher.

Oats sold at an advance of $1.50 and barley moved up $1 a ton. The prices noted in the above sales are the best recorded in this market in three years. Spot oats still lack $5 and barley about $10 of attaining the record quotation of the local market. Export demand is reported to be responsible for the rapid advance in these cereals.

Flour prices have not been changed, but if wheat values continue to rise there will have to be a readjustment soon of flour quotations. Bran and shorts are firm at last prices and rolled barley is $1 higher.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Portland	36	9	2	2	6
Year ago	45	16	14	8	3
Season to date	12096	1239	1443	1380	1240
Year ago	12056	1770	1599	1215	1709
Tacoma, yes.	34	15	..	1	1
Season to date	7007	397	...	352	2146
Seattle Mon.	41	6	12	3	29

SOUTH AMERICAN WOOL SOLD UP

Everything Available for United States Trade Disposed of.

Very trustworthy advices state that practically all the wool suitable for the American trade's general demands has already been sold both in the Argentine and in Uruguay, says the Boston Commercial Bulletin. In the latter market, it is said that crossbreds have been sold out completely and that nearly three-quarters of the entire clip, the greater part of which is merino, has been sold. In Argentina fully as great a proportion of the entire clip is said to have been purchased with practically no crossbreds now being offered suitable for the United States.

Quotations are at the extreme of the season, so far as there are any quotations, comeback wools from Montevideo being quoted at around 18½d, while high quarters from Buenos Aires are held in instances as high as 17d, although some packings are still offered as low as 15 to 16d. Argentine average quarter-blood (4s) are held at about 28 cents, cost and freight, landed Boston or New York, while Lincolns (5s) are held at 26½ to 27 cents, same terms. Estimates of the purchases in South America for this country up to date are probably estimated conservatively at 20,000 bales. Purchases for the Boston market of late have been considerable, notwithstanding the high prices, and it would not be surprising to see the actual figures exceed 25,000 bales, as the final purchases for the United States.

ENOUGH POULTRY FOR LOCAL DEMAND

Former Prices Not Maintained With Increase in Receipts.

There were larger receipts of poultry yesterday, attracted by the recent high prices, and the quotations on hens could not be maintained. Most of the sales were made at 12½@14 cents.

Eggs were quoted weak, but were not materially lower. Sales were made at 29 and 30 cents, case count. The premium on candled eggs is slight, as eggs are now running good in quality.

Dressed meats were in good supply and pork continues weak.

The butter market is cleaning up fairly well, except on some grades of outside creamery, and local prices are quoted steady.

ORANGE SALES ON LARGE SCALE

Steamer Brings Good Supply, Which Is Badly Needed.

Fruit and vegetable receipts were on a larger scale yesterday. The steamer brought a heavy supply of oranges, but they were all needed and sales were brisk during the day. A shipment of California tangerines was received and sold at $1.60 a box.

Two cars of sweet potatoes and a car of fancy head lettuce arrived. A car of celery is due today.

The banana train will be in this morning. The fruit was reported in green condition. A car of Florida grapefruit is also due today.

Storage Stocks of Eggs and Butter.

The report of the Associated Warehouses representing 47 of the largest cold storage houses in the country, shows that on January 1 there were 758,000 cases of eggs in the coolers. At the same time a year ago, there were 400,000 cases. This shows an increase over last year of 348,700 cases. Butter, January 1, 29,744,900 pounds against 26,701,100 pounds the same time a year ago, a decrease of 7,006,200 pounds.

Brooks Crop of Hops Sold.

The Bolder crop of 200 bales of hops at Brooks was bought yesterday by H. L. Hart at 10 cents. There is a fair demand for Oregons, but growers, as a rule, are asking higher prices.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,941,862	$135,240
Seattle	2,293,941	176,420
Tacoma	369,352	59,357
Spokane	752,729	119,578

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session.
Prompt delivery.

	Bid.	Ask.
Wheat—		
Bluestem	$ 1.41	$ 1.42½
Forty-fold	1.40	1.42½
Club	1.39½	1.42
Red Russian	1.32½	1.35
Red fife	1.34	1.35¼
Oats—		
No. 1 white feed	34.00	34.50
Barley—		
No. 1 feed	32.00	31.00
Brewing	30.00	32.00
Bran	28.50	29.00
Shorts	29.00	31.00
Futures—		
February bluestem	1.42	1.44
March bluestem	1.45	1.47
February forty-fold	1.42½	1.42
March forty-fold	1.42½	1.44
February club	1.41	1.42
March club	1.43	1.45
February red Russian	1.34½	1.36
March red Russian	1.37	1.38
February red fife	1.38	1.39
March red fife	1.39	1.40
February oats	34.50	37.00
March oats	37.50	38.00
May oats	39.50	40.00
February feed barley	30.75	31.50
March feed barley	31.50	32.50
February bran	28.75	30.00

FLOUR—Patents, $6.90 a barrel; straights, $6; whole wheat, $6.80; graham, $6.60.

MILLFEED—Spot prices: Bran, $28.50@29 per ton; shorts, $30.50@31; rolled barley, $33@34.

CORN—White, $56 per ton; cracked, $57 per ton.

HAY — Eastern Oregon timothy, $15@15.50; Valley timothy, $13@13.50; grain hay, $10.50@11; alfalfa, $13@13.50.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navels, $1.75@2.25 per box; Japanese, per box, 90c@$1; lemons, $3@3.50 per box; bananas, 4@4½c per pound; grapefruit, $3.25@4; pineapples, 7c per pound; tangerines, $1.60 per box.

VEGETABLES — Cucumbers, hothouse, $1.75@2 dozen; eggplant, 8@10c pound; peppers, 12½@15c per pound; artichokes, 85@90c per dozen; tomatoes, $1.75 per crate; cabbage, 1¾@1½c per pound; beans, 12½c per pound; celery, $2.50 per crate; cauliflower, $2.25 per crate; sprouts, 8c per pound; head lettuce, $1.85@2 per crate; pumpkins, 1½c per pound; squash, 1½c per pound.

GREEN FRUITS—Apples, 75c@$1.50 per box; casabas, $1.65 per crate; pears, $1@1.50; grapes, $3.50@3.75 per barrel; cranberries, $9@11 per barrel.

POTATOES—Oregon, $1 per sack; Idaho, $1@1.10; Yakima, $1@1.10; sweet potatoes, 2½c per pound.

ONIONS—Oregon, buying price, $1.25 f. o. b. shipping point.

SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, $1.25 per sack; beets, $1.25 per sack; parsnips, $1.25 per sack.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations:

EGGS—Fresh Oregon ranch, case count, 28@30c; candled, 30@31c; storage, 25@28c.

POULTRY—Hens, large, 12½@14c; mixed, 14c; broilers, 18@20c; turkeys, dressed, 21c; live, 18c; ducks, 13½@15c; geese, 11@12c.

BUTTER—Creamery, prints, extras, 29½c per pound in case lots; ½c more in less than case lots; cubes, 25c.

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

VEAL—Fancy, 12½c per pound.

PORK—Block, 9c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SALMON — Columbia River one-pound talls, $2.20 per dozen; half-pound flats, $1.50; one-pound flats, $2.50; Alaska pink, one-pound talls, $1.05.

HONEY—Choice, $3.25 per case.

NUTS—Walnuts, 15@24c per pound; Brazil nuts, 15c; filberts, 15@24c; almonds, 22@24c; peanuts, 6¾c; cocoanuts, $1.00 per dozen; pecans, 19@20c; chestnuts, 12½@15c.

BEANS—Small white, 4½c; large white, 5.15c; Limas, 6½c; pink, 4½c; Mexican, 6½c; bayou, 6.35c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 18½@35½c.

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

SALT—Granulated, $15.50 per ton; half ground, 100s, $10.75 per ton; 50s, $11.50 per ton; dairy, $14 per ton.

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

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

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1914 crop, 10@12½c; 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@18c; Eastern Oregon, 15@20c nominal.

MOHAIR—1914 clip, 27½c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 4@4½c per pound.

PELTS—Long wool dry pelts, 11c; short wool dry pelts, 8c; dry sheep shearings, 10@15c each; salt sheep shearings, 15@25c each; dry goat skins, long hair, 12@12½c; dry goat shearings, 10@20c each; salted sheep pelts, November, 75@90c each.

Provisions.

HAMS—Standard, 17½c; fancy, 18½c; picnic, 11½c.

BACON—Fancy, 27@28c; standard, 23@24c.

DRY SALT CURED—Short clear backs, 12@16c; exports, 14@17c.

LARD—Tierce basis: Pure, 12@12½c; compound, 8½c.

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; naptha, drums, 12c; cases, 19c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 67c; raw, cases, 72c; boiled, barrels, 69c; boiled, cases, 74c.

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

HOG MARKET WEAKENS

BUYERS PAY LESS WITH LARGE LOCAL RECEIPTS.

Top Swine Price of Day Is $7.05, Dime Under Tuesday's Market—Cattle and Sheep Steady.

Livestock prices held their own yesterday, except in the case of hogs, which weakened further as a consequence of liberal receipts this week. The top quotation of the day was $7.05, against $7.15 on the preceding day.

There was a moderate offering in the cattle division, where a bunch of good steers brought $7.50. The sheep market was inactive and steady.

Receipts were 22 cattle, 785 hogs and 62 sheep. Shippers were:

With cattle—J. C. Bettis, Gateway, 1 car.

With hogs—C. A. Smith, Alderdale, 1 car; T. M. Hust, Gwendolyn, 1 car; C. A. Brown, Gwendolyn, 1 car; Will Block, McCoy, 2 cars; F. B. Decker, Mount Angel, 2 cars.

With mixed loads—C. L. Falk, Jr., Halsey, 1 car cattle, hogs and sheep; Barclay & Cummings, Corvallis, 1 car cattle, hogs and sheep; F. B. Decker, West Stayton, 1 car cattle and hogs.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
1 hog	200	$7.00	18 steers	900	$5.25
2 hogs	210	7.00	14 heifers	709	5.00
1 hog	370	6.00	7 calves	181	8.00
10 hogs	129	6.25	1 bull	1460	5.15
59 hogs	187	6.35	2 bulls	1375	5.00
1 bull	670	5.50	12 cows	1070	6.10
19 steers	987	7.00	29 cows	1129	6.10
62 steers	1109	7.50	7 hogs	223	7.00
29 lambs	63	7.50	18 hogs	201	7.00
17 hogs	229	6.00	4 cows	1137	6.50
69 hogs	209	7.00	2 cows	855	5.50
93 hogs	200	7.05	2 cows	910	6.00
2 hogs	340	6.00	1 steer	1020	7.75
8 hogs	374	6.00	2 steers	720	6.25
12 hogs	125	6.50	2 steers	835	6.75
9 hogs	118	6.50	6 steers	820	7.25
29 hogs	207	7.00	1 cow	1020	5.25
11 hogs	180	7.00			
1 hog	190	7.00			

Prices current at the local stockyards on the various classes of stock:

Cattle—	
Prime steers	$7.50@7.75
Choice steers	7.25@7.50
Medium steers	6.75@7.00
Choice cows	6.00@6.75
Choice cows	5.75@6.00
Medium cows	5.00@5.50
Heifers	5.00@6.50
Bulls	3.50@5.00
Stags	4.50@6.00
Hogs—	
Light	6.80@7.05
Heavy	6.00@6.50
Sheep—	
Wethers	6.00@6.50
Ewes	5.00@5.50
Lambs	6.25@7.50

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Jan. 13.—Hogs—Receipts, 13,000; market, steady. Heavy, $6.75@6.80; light, $6.60@6.80; pigs, $5.25@6.25; bulk of sales, $6.70@6.75.

Cattle—Receipts, 3800; market, strong. Native steers, $6.75@8.75; cows and heifers, $5.25@7.25; Western steers, $5.75@8; Texas steers, $5.75@7.00; cows and heifers, $5.00@6.75; calves, $7.00@8.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 12,500; market, steady. Yearlings, $6.60@7.60; wethers, $5.80@6.50; lambs, $8.10@8.60.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Hogs—Receipts, 41,000; market, strong to 5 cents above yesterday's average. Bulk of sales, $6.70@6.80; light, $6.60@6.85; mixed, $6.65@7.00; heavy, $6.60@6.95; rough, $6.60@6.70; pigs, $5.25@6.90.

Cattle—Receipts, 15,000; market, weak. Native steers, $5.50@9.50; Western, $4.85@7.50; cows and heifers, $3.10@7.90; calves, $7.50@10.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; market, firm. Sheep, $5.75@6.65; yearlings, $6.80@7.80; lambs, $6.75@8.80.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Spot cotton quiet. Middling uplands, 8.05; sales, 306 bales.

RUSSIA GETS LOAN

Twelve Millions Credit Placed to Buy Supplies.

STEEL TRADE EXPANDING

Larger Mills Running on Greater Percentage of Capacity—Wire Products Higher and Orders Taken for Rails.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13. — Continued improvement in the investment situation was shown today in the increased demand for listed and unlisted bonds and notes at higher quotations. Other developments were the confirmation of a "credit loan" to the Russian government, receipt of a moderate amount of gold from China, which was diverted from London because of the war, and the exportation of a nominal amount of French gold from London to this country.

The Russian loan, which amounts to $12,000,000, takes the form of a short term note purchase, the proceeds remaining in this country for buying of supplies.

Betterment in the steel trade was reported by authorities in that industry, the most important mills running at a larger percentage of their capacity. This is partially neutralized, however, by wage readjustments affecting principally the highest paid laborers. One of the United States Steel subsidiaries announced advances in wire products, and railmaking was stimulated by orders from the New York Central, New Haven and Reading roads.

Official figures dealing with our foreign trade show a handsome gain of exports over imports for the last calendar week, the excess amounting to over $35,000,000.

Stocks inclined from an irregular tone to gradual heaviness, most important issues showing net losses. Trading was relatively light. Pressed Steel Car and a few other specialties declined abruptly.

Bonds held their recent gains on a fair amount of business. Total sales, par value, $2,002,000. United States Government bonds were unchanged on call.

Restoration of arbitrage dealings between New York and European markets, under restrictions to be defined at a later date, was approved today by the governors of the New York Stock Exchange. All such operations are to be for joint account, thereby imposing equal responsibility upon buyer and seller. Renewal of this class of trading is regarded as further evidence of the progress toward normal conditions in the relations between this and foreign securities markets.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Alaska Gold	5,300	28¾	27¼	28¼
Amal Copper	8,700	55¾	54¾	54¾
Am Beet Sugar	1,100	35¼	35	35¼
American Can	3,200	29¾	29¼	29
Am Smel & Ref	700	60¾	60	60¼
do preferred	100	100½	100½	100
Am Sugar Ref	.....	.....	.....	105½
Am Tel & Tel	300	118½	118¾	118¾
Am Tobacco	.....	.....	.....	220
Anaconda Min	500	26¾	26½	26¼
Atchison	700	94¼	94¼	94
Balt & Ohio	900	68¾	68½	68¾
Brook R Tran	300	85¾	85¾	85¾
California Pet	200	15	15	15
Canadian Pac	5,900	159½	157	158¼
Central Leather	800	35¼	34¼	34¾
Ches & Ohio	400	43	42½	42¼
Chi Gt West	.....	.....	.....	10¾
C M & St Paul	500	88¼	87¾	87¾
Chicago & N W	100	125½	125½	125
Chino Copper	.....	.....	.....	33½
Col Fuel & Iron	.....	.....	.....	24
Col & Southern	300	25	24¾	24½
D & R Grande	.....	.....	.....	4
do preferred	200	7½	7½	7
Distillers' Secur	.....	.....	.....	10½
Erie	1,200	22¼	21¾	21¾
General Elec	.....	.....	.....	143¼
Gt North pf	800	114¾	114	114
Gt North Ore	400	27¾	27½	27½
Guggenheim Ex	700	47¾	47¼	47½
Illinois Central	.....	.....	.....	106
Interboro Met pf	7,000	50	50	50
Inspiration Con	6,200	19	18¾	18¾
Inter Harvester	.....	.....	.....	93
K C Southern	.....	.....	.....	21½
Lehigh Valley	600	134¾	134	133
Louis & Nash	.....	.....	.....	116½
Max Petroleum	.....	.....	.....	51½
Miami Copper	300	17¾	17¾	17¾
Mo, Kan & Tex	400	10	9¾	9½
Mo Pacific	.....	.....	.....	6¾
Nat Biscuit	.....	.....	.....	129½
National Lead	.....	.....	.....	43½
Nevada Copper	200	12½	12½	12¼
N Y Central	900	88¾	88¼	88¼
N Y N H & H	.....	.....	.....	55½
Norfolk & West	.....	.....	.....	101¾
Northern Pac	1,300	102¼	101¾	101¾
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	20¾
Pac Tel & Tel	.....	.....	.....	26
Pennsylvania	800	105½	104¾	105
Pull Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	153
Ray Con Copper	500	16½	16¾	16¾
Reading	10,100	147¾	146¾	146¾
Repub I & S	200	20¾	20½	20½
Rock Island Co	500	¾	¾	¾
do preferred	300	1¼	1¼	1¼
St L & S F 2 pf	.....	.....	.....	24
Southern Pac	2,900	85¾	84¾	84¾
Southern Ry	700	15¾	15¾	15¼
Tenn Copper	200	32¼	30¾	30¾
Texas Company	.....	.....	.....	131
Union Pacific	5,900	119¼	118½	118½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	80
U S Steel	9,300	51¾	51¼	51¾
do preferred	800	108¼	107¾	107½
Utah Copper	2,300	51¾	51¼	51¼
Wabash pf	.....	.....	.....	12
Western Union	500	59½	59¾	59¾
Westing Elec	1,300	73¾	73½	73

Total sales for the day, 130,900 shares.

BONDS.

U S Ref 2s, reg.	97	U S N 4s, coup.	109¼
do coupon	97	N Y C G 3½s	81½
U S 3s, reg	100¼	Nor Pac 3s	89¾
do coupon	100¼	do 4s	90¾
U S N 4s, reg	109	Union Pac 4s	95¾

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Mercantile paper, 3¾@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange, barely steady. Sixty-day bills, $4.8115; for cables, $4.8425; for demand, $4.8375.

Bar silver, 19¼c.

Mexican dollars, 37½c.

Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, strong.

Time loans, easier; 60 and 90 days, 3¼@3½ per cent; six months, 3½@3¾ per cent.

Call money, weak; high, 2 per cent; low, 1½; ruling rate, 2; last loan, 2; closing bid, 1½; offered at 2.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Bar silver, 22 15-16d per ounce.

Money, 1 per cent.

Discount rates—Short bills, 2¼@2¼ per cent; three months, 2¼ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13.—Silver bars, 49¼c.

Sterling exchange, 60 days, $4.81⅝; demand, $4.84; cable, $4.84⅝.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKETS

Prices Current in Bay City on Fruits, Vegetables, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13.—Butter—Fancy creamery, 27½c; seconds, 25c.

Eggs—Fancy ranch, 28½c; pullets, 26½c.

Cheese—New, 10@13½c; Young Americas, 12½@13c; Oregon, 14½c.

Vegetables—Bell peppers, 9@12c; do Chile, 4@5c; string beans, 10@15c; wax, 8@8c; limas, 10@12½c; hothouse cucumbers, $2.50@2.75.

Onions—Yellow, 90c.

Fruit—Lemons, fancy, $2.25@2.50; choice, $1.75@2; standard, $1.50@1.75; bananas, Hawaiian, $1.25@1.75; pineapples, do, $1.50@3; California apples, Newton Pippins, 65@90c; Bellflours, 50@75c; Baldwins, 60@75c; Winesaps, 65@75c; do Oregon, Spitzenbergs, $1@1.50; Newtown Pippins, $1@1.35; Winesaps, $1@1.25.

Potatoes—Burbanks, Salinas, $2@2.10; delta, $1.10@1.15; Oregon, $1.45@1.65; Idaho, $1.15@1.35; Oregon American Wonders, $1.65@1.85; sweets, $1.65@1.75.

Receipts—Flour, 5993 quarters; barley, 66,661 centals; potatoes, 1515 sacks; hay, 220 tons.

Coffee Futures.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—There was some switching from March to September contracts in the coffee market here today, but trading otherwise was comparatively quiet, with prices easing off under some scattering liquidation and small offerings from trade sources in the absence of any important support. The opening was 2 to 3 points lower and the market closed at a net decline of 2 to 3 points. Sales, 28,750 bags. January, 6.22c; March, 6.37c; April, 6.47c; May, 6.56c; July, 7.39c; August, 7.47c; September, 7.57c; October, 7.63c; November, 7.68c; December, 7.72c.

Spot quiet. Rio, No. 7, 7¾c; Santos, No. 4, 9¾c. Rio and Santos unchanged. Rio exchange on London 1-32d higher at 14 3.16d.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Cotton goods markets were steadier and jobbers bought for immediate and forward delivery. Worsted yarns were firmer; laces in slightly better demand; burlaps quiet.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Sugar futures opened irregular. There was a moderate demand from local sources and offerings were not particularly heavy. The market was steadier during the forenoon, with prices net unchanged to three points higher. Centrifugal sugar was firmer in the late trading. Sales of 14,000 bags of Cuba were made. Centrifugal closed 4.04c to 4.11c; molasses sugar at 3.27c to 3.34c.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Jan. 13.—Turpentine—Strong, 45c; sales, 121 barrels; receipts, 273; shipments, 42; stock, 35,741.

Rosin—Firm; sales, 583 barrels; receipts, 979; shipments, 271; stock, 145,777. Quote: A, B, $3.12½@3.17½; C, D, $3.20@3.22½; E, $3.25; F, $3.27½@3.30; G, $3.30; H, $3.30; I, $3.35; K, $3.75; M, $4.35; N, $5.25; WG, $5.65; WW, $5.75.

Americans Quiet at London.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—The American department of the stock exchange today was quieter, with Canadian Pacific hardening, while other quotations were slightly lower than yesterday's closing.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Copper quiet. Electrolytic, 13.62@13.75c; casting, 13.37@13.62c. Lead, 2.65@2.75c.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, Jan. 13.—Linseed, cash, $1.80¼; May, $1.81¼.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Butter, unchanged. Eggs—Receipts, 7516 cases. Market unchanged.

Hops at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Hops steady.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Evaporated apples quiet. Prunes firm. Peaches quiet and steady.

SEWER BID $25,895 LESS

RATE WAR MAY SAVE CITY MUCH ON WILLOW EXTENSION.

Lowest Offer of Third Lot is Record. Contract Likely to be Awarded Within Short Time.

As a result of a rate fight said to be on between the contracting firms of Giebisch & Joplin and William Lind, property owners on the East Side will save $25,895.73 in the cost of constructing the Willow street extension of the East Stark street trunk sewer if a contract is awarded to the lowest bidder in bids opened by the Council yesterday. This is the third time bids have been received for this contract, the bids opened on two previous occasions having been rejected.

The lowest of the bids in the list submitted yesterday is $25,895.73 lower than the lowest bid submitted in the first set of bids received November 23. It is $18,560.17 lower than the lowest bid received in the second set, which were opened December 21. It is probable the contract for the work will be awarded within a short time under the bids received yesterday. William Lind tendered the lowest bid, at $148,639.13. The next lowest is submitted by Giebisch & Joplin, and amounts to $154,382.07. The Giebisch & Joplin bid is about $8000 lower than the third lowest bidder.

The bids as received are on the monolithic type of sewer, and on the reinforced concrete and on concrete. They are as follows:

Guthrie, McDougall Company reinforced concrete pipe	$163,234.68
Guthrie, McDougall Company, monolithic	181,769.19
Giebisch & Joplin, monolithic	181,894.13
Giebisch & Joplin, reinforced concrete pipe	154,382.07
Montague-O'Reilly Company monolithic	182,450.15
James Kennedy, reinforced concrete pipe	172,663.59
J. F. Shea, reinforced concrete pipe	162,973.69
J. F. Shea, reinforced concrete	172,721.78
Oregon Independent Paving Company, reinforced concrete	165,852.75
Oregon Independent Paving Company, reinforced concrete pipe	160,460.71
William Lind, reinforced concrete	148,639.13
William Lind, reinforced concrete	169,468.09

WORK TERMS DICTATED

I. W. W. REPRESENTATIVES GIVE ULTIMATUM TO COUNCIL.

"No Less Than Union Pay, No Longer Than Union Hours," Demand, So Rent of "Idle Hall" Held Up.

Agitators of the I. W. W. ilk selected the wrong time yesterday to inform the City Council that the unemployed who are housed temporarily in a building at Second and Everett streets will work, but not for less than union wages and not more than union hours. On the strength of a bold declaration to this effect outlined in a petition sent to the Council signed by 704 of the "unemployed," the Council held up an ordinance appropriating $300 to pay the rent and fuel bill of the unemployed headquarters.

The ordinance was up for final passage, having been prepared by the Council after statements made by various persons to the effect that the unemployed who sleep and eat in the North End building are worthy for the most part.

A number of I. W. W. agitators appeared in the Council chamber yesterday and, apparently not knowing that the appropriation ordinance was coming up, gained the Council floor and presented the petition. It was signed by 704 persons said to be inmates of the North End building. In the petition the declaration was made that statements to the effect that the men would not work were groundless. "We, the undersigned, will work," the petition reads, "but not for less than union wages and not more than union hours."

Protest is made against the Troy woodyard and the municipal woodyard at Beaverton. A few minutes after the "won't work" petition was presented the ordinance appropriating the $300 came up and was placed on the table.

WATER FUNDS ARE NEEDED

Chehalis Commission May Issue Balance of Bonds.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the City Commission Monday the finances of the gravity water system were discussed. The bond issue to cover this work just completed was for $185,000. The actual cost of the plant was slightly over $181,000. The Commission finds itself, however, for the the first six months, shy of necessary funds to meet maintenance, interest, etc.

City Attorney Reynolds was asked for an opinion as to whether or not the balance of the $185,000 voted could be issued in bonds and the money used to meet the interest payments. It is estimated that after July 1 the finances of the water system will be in better shape.

ASHLAND BLOCK BURNS

Pool Hall and Tobacco Store Are Heaviest Losers in Fire.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Fire completely destroyed the Stephenson block, on East Main street, this morning. The upper story was unoccupied, while the lower portion was used by the billiard hall of Cook & De Witt, whose loss includes fixtures and stock of tobacco.

The fire caught from a stove. The insurance on the building is $3000 and on the stock $800.

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Fifth and Stark Sts.

Capital and Surplus $1,200,000.

GOVERNMENT SUPERVISION

NO LIMIT TO ORDERS

Excited Buying Puts Wheat Higher at Chicago.

NEARING RECORD PRICE

With Stocks at Chicago Almost Exhausted, Exporters Turn Their Attention to Spring Grain Supplies at Duluth and Buffalo.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13. — Unlimited and at times excited buying was the rule today in the wheat trade, with exporters and millers the chief buyers. Setbacks failed to last, racing for supplies. Setbacks failed to last and the market closed strong at 1¾c to 2½ and 2⅞c above last night. Corn finished ¼@½c to ¾c net lower, oats unchanged to ⅛@¼c off, and provisions down 7½c to 20c.

It was said at the end of business this afternoon that nearly all of the stock of wheat in Chicago had been disposed of, and that foreign buyers were now working most energetically on Spring wheat at Buffalo and Duluth.

At the crest of the advance today, wheat reached to within ⅝c of the topmost quotations since the beginning of the war and showed a rise of 7½c since the worst of the break during the flurry Monday. Unfavorable weather in Argentina and rising vessel rates from Buenos Ayres to English ports counted hard against the bears.

Piling up of stocks of corn neutralized in that grain the effect of the wheat bulge. A steady influence, however, was the fact that corn in Liverpool was selling at nearly $1 a bushel.

Oats were held down by heavy selling on the part of one of the largest houses here. On the other hand, there was an active export inquiry.

Unloading of lard for recent buyers pulled down provisions. Palmer and other stockyard interests were conspicuous on the selling side.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$1.38⅞	$1.41	$1.36⅞	$1.40⅝
July	1.25	1.26	1.24½	1.25⅞
CORN.				
May	.75⅛	.75⅝	.74¾	.74⅞
July	.76⅛	.76⅛	.75¼	.75⅝
OATS.				
May	.55½	.55⅝	.54¾	.55⅛
July	.53⅝	.53½	.52⅝	.52⅞
MESS PORK.				
Jan	18.50	18.32½	18.15	18.20
May	19.00	19.00	18.75	18.80
LARD.				
Jan	10.67½	10.67½	10.32½	10.32½
May	10.95	10.95	10.80	10.80
SHORT RIBS.				
Jan	.....	.....	.....	9.82½
May	10.22½	10.25	10.10	10.15

Cash prices were:

Wheat, No. 2 red, $1.39@1.41½; No. 3 hard, $1.39@1.41.

Corn, No. 2 yellow, 70@70¾c; No. 3 yellow, 68¾@69¼c.

Rye, No. 2, $1.15½.

Barley, 69@78c.

Timothy, $6.60@7.50.

Clover, $12.50@15.00.

Primary receipts—Wheat, 383,000 vs. 610,000 bushels; corn, 2,341,000 vs. 272,000 bushels; oats, 1,090,000 vs. 766,000 bushels.

Shipments — Wheat, 321,000 vs. 386,000 bushels; corn, 1,273,000 vs. 618,000 bushels; oats, 979,000 vs. 926,000 bushels.

Clearances—Wheat, 351,000 bushels, all from United States; wheat and corn, 112,000 bushels; oats, 17,000 bushels; flour, 14,000 barrels.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Cargoes on passage 7½d higher.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 13.—Corn, 7s 4½d. Wheat not quoted.

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