WHEAT COMES BACK

Market Responds Well to Bulge in East.

PRICES MAKE SHARP GAIN

Buying for California Milling Account Is Feature of Trade in Northwest—Oats and Barley Sell Higher.

Buying for California milling account was the feature of the wheat market yesterday. The demand was not only good here, but extended to the country markets. Not much business could be done in the interior, however, as holders asked prices about 2 cents above the Portland basis.

The local market responded well to the strength at Chicago, where a renewal of export buying caused prices to jump 3¼ cents. On the Merchants' Exchange, fortyfold was in most demand with sales of 30,000 bushels. The exchange sales in detail were as follows:

Bushels—	
10,000 March forty-fold	$1.45½
10,000 March forty-fold	1.46
10,000 prompt forty-fold	1.43
Tons—	
100 May oats	$39.00
500 February oats	36.75
100 prompt bran	30.00

The above wheat sales represented a 2 to 2½-cent advance over Tuesday's level. Bid prices for early bluestem were up 1 to 1½ cents and May was unchanged. Club wheat was 2 to 3 cents higher than on Tuesday and red was 1 to 2 cents higher.

The oats market also moved upward, February gaining 50 cents and May $1 a ton. Prompt oats were unchanged at $36, but there were spot sales on the Sound during the day at $37.

Barley was very firm in the country with buying by some of the exporters on the basis of $33 here for brewing. Bid prices on the Exchange ranged from 25 cents down to 50 cents up, as compared with the preceding day.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Portland	83	5	6	7	6
Year ago	28	11	10	2	9
Seas'n to date	12533	1327	1485	1469	1323
Year ago	12289	1797	1669	1236	1751
Tacoma, Tues.	16	6	....	1	8
Year ago	40	....	....	1	5
Seas'n to date	7109	414	....	371	2187
Year ago	6629	445	....	728	1634
Seattle—Mon.	44	4	7	5	43
Year ago	40	38	8	22	35
Seas'n to date	5742	845	1435	857	3139
Year ago	5115	910	1169	913	3135

GOOD RETURNS FROM BARREL GRAPES

Sawdust Packed Fruit Nets California Growers Large Sum.

Red Emperor grapes, preserved in kiln-dried redwood sawdust for the Christmas market, will return California growers about $400,000, according to an estimate by the secretary of the State Board of Viticultural Commissioners. According to his figures, nearly 200,000 drums were preserved in sawdust and stored in New York in advance of Christmas. The new industry, formerly monopolized by Almeria grapes from Spain, has proved most profitable this season, the first time it has been attempted on a large scale. It was developed through experiments of the United States Department of Agriculture. The price f. o. b. California has averaged about $2.25 per drum, and as the expense is said to be only about 85 cents, the vineyardist secures $1.40.

Other methods of preserving grapes are being experimented with by the commission.

IMPROVEMENT IN THE GOODS TRADE

Demand Springing Up for Coatings and Cloakings.

There seem to be some straws which indicate a demand springing up for domestic goods, more than has been apparent for some time, says the Boston Commercial Bulletin. This appears to be chiefly on the part of manufacturers of rough cloakings and coatings, but there have also been inquiries for finer lines, including some demand for yarns of the half-blood order. As yet this business does not appear to have been at all extensive, nor general. It has been most pronounced on the part of the coating mills.

Reports indicate still further contracts as being placed for army goods. In some cases, it is said, that such contracts have been made allowing manufacturers to make deliveries any time within the year, although it must be said that this leeway on deliveries is extremely liberal. Nevertheless, not a few mills doubtless owe the fact that they are running at all to the orders for army goods for the allied forces.

THE LOCAL EGG MARKET IS FIRMER

Receipts of Fresh Oregons Are Not Equal to Current Needs.

The egg market was firm yesterday, as receipts of fresh Oregons were not equal to the demand. The general quotation, case count, on the street was 28 cents.

Too many coops of poultry are coming in for the current requirements and prices are much lower than usual at this time of year. Chickens sold in most instances at 12 cents, but supplies did not clean up. Dressed meats were steady.

Wool Consumption Never Greater.

Commenting on the strong position of the American wool market, an Eastern writer says that dealers contended that the wool consumption was the greatest in the world's history, and that values would be strongly maintained as long as the demand continued to be as active as at present. A full realization of the actual situation, he says, had not yet dawned on many of the wool buyers in this country. An upward revision in the cost of fine wools, which are relatively cheap compared with coarse stock, is considered inevitable.

Export Demand for Hops.

Several hop dealers at Portland and Salem have orders, but buying is difficult, as growers are in no hurry to sell. This has imparted a firm tone to the market. The demand is chiefly for export account, which occasions some surprise in view of the large crop raised in England. Dealers do not find it easy to sell in the East, where brewers are well supplied with hops, paper and otherwise. Beer sales decreased nearly 500,000 barrels in December, and this is also against domestic trade.

Bananas in Good Condition.

The colder weather has had an adverse effect on the fruit and vegetable demand, but Front-street trade is still fairly good. Five cars of bananas were received yesterday in green condition. A car each of celery and sweet potatoes arrived from the south. Prices were generally steady.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,824,323	$284,816
Seattle	1,728,643	190,545
Tacoma	232,569	24,203
Spokane	603,318	80,807

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants Exchange, noon session.
Prompt delivery.

	Bid.	Ask.
Wheat—		
Bluestem	$ 1.43½	1.45½
Fortyfold	1.42½	1.44
Club	1.41	1.42½
Red Russian	1.33	1.37
Red fife	1.30	1.42
Oats—		
No. 1 white feed	36.00	36.50
Barley—		
No. 1 feed	31.50	32.00
Brewing	31.50	32.50
Bran	29.75	30.25
Shorts	31.00	31.50
Futures—		
February bluestem	1.44	1.45½
March bluestem	1.45½	1.48
May bluestem	1.49	1.51
February fortyfold	1.43½	1.45
March fortyfold	1.45	1.46½
February club	1.41	1.43
March club	1.43	1.44
February red Russian	1.36	1.37
March red Russian	1.37½	1.38
February red fife	1.39	1.43
March red fife	1.41	1.43
February oats	36.50	36.75
March oats	37.25	38.00
May oats	38.50	39.00
February feed barley	31.50	32.00
March feed barley	32.75	33.50
February bran	30.00	30.50

FLOUR—Patents, $6.80 a barrel; straights, $6; whole wheat, $7; graham, $6.80.

MILLFEED—Spot prices: Bran, $30 per ton; shorts, $31; rolled barley, $33.50@34.50.

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

HAY — Eastern Oregon timothy, $13@13.50; 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, $1.25 per box.

VEGETABLES — Cucumbers, hothouse, $2@2.25 dozen; eggplant, 8@10c pound; peppers, 12½@15c per pound; artichokes, 85@90c per dozen; tomatoes, $1.75 per crate; cabbage, 1¼@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, 1¼c 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, 80c@$1.10; sweet potatoes, 2¾c 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, 28c; candled, 30c.

POULTRY—Chickens, 12c; broilers, 18@20c; turkeys, dressed, 21c; live, 18c; ducks, 12½@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, 12½@13c 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, $2.50; 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, 23@24c; peanuts, 6¼c; coconuts, $1.00 per dozen; pecans, 19@20c; chestnuts, 12½@15c.

BEANS—Small white, 5.75c; large white, 5.60c; Lima, 6½c; pink, 4.60c; Mexican, 6½c; bayou, 6.25c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 18½@33½c.

SUGAR — Fruit and berry, $5.85; beet, $5.65; extra C, $5.35; powdered, in barrels, $6.10.

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; 1915 crop, nominal.

HIDES — Salted hides, 14c; salted bulls, 10c; salted kip, 15c; salted calf, 19c; green hides, 13c; green bulls, 9c; green kip, 15c, green calf, 19c; dry hides, 26c; dry calf, 28c.

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—Dry long wooled pelts, 13c; dry short wooled pelts, 10c; dry shearings, each, 10@15c; salted shearings, each, 15@20c; dry goats, long hair, each, 12@12½c; dry goat shearings, each, 10@20c; salted sheep pelts, January, $1@1.50 each.

Provisions.

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

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

DRY SALT CURED—Short clear backs, 13@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, 71c; raw, cases, 76c; boiled, barrels, 73c; boiled, cases, 78c.

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

PRICES HOLD STEADY

SMALL RUN AT NORTH PORTLAND STOCKYARDS.

Best Hogs Offered Still Bring $6.80—Steers Sell at Former Quotations.

The hog market again commanded most attention at the stockyards, as but little was available in other lines yesterday. Hog prices held steady with $6.80 as the top.

A few steers of medium grade were sold. Values in the cattle and sheep markets were unchanged.

Receipts were 651 hogs and 6 cattle. Shippers were:

With hogs—William Block, Monmouth, 1 car; F. B. Decker, Shaniko, 1 car; R. McCrow, Goldendale, 1 car; Rugg Bros., Heppner, 1 car; D. Royce, Troutdale, 2 cars.

With mixed loads—W. Doherty, Goldendale, 1 car cattle and hogs; Citizens Bank, Sweet Grass, 1 car cattle and hogs.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
1 steer	850	$6.00	14 hogs	123	$6.00
2 cows	725	5.50	3 hogs	287	6.20
6 hogs	175	6.80	68 hogs	190	6.70
9 hogs	210	6.80	1 hog	90	6.00
19 steers	1014	6.40	58 hogs	209	6.80
7 steers	1070	6.00	1 hog	220	6.25
5 hogs	104	5.75	12 hogs	160	6.75
62 hogs	160	6.75	59 hogs	148	6.00
25 hogs	114	6.00			

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@7.25
Choice cows	6.00@6.75
Medium cows	5.00@6.00
Heifers	5.00@6.50
Bulls	3.50@5.50
Stags	4.50@6.00
Hogs—	
Light	6.50@6.80
Heavy	5.50@5.85
Sheep—	
Wethers	5.75@6.50
Ewes	5.00@5.50
Lambs	6.25@7.50

Omaha Livestock Market.

SOUTH OMAHA, Jan. 20.—Hogs — Receipts, 11,000; market, lower. Heavy, $6.60@6.75; light, $6.50@6.65; pigs, $5.50@6.25; bulk of sales, $6.60@6.65.

Cattle—Receipts, 5000; market, slow. 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@6.75; calves, $7.00@8.95.

Sheep — Receipts, 8500; market active. Yearlings, $6.75@7.50; wethers, $5.55@6.25; lambs, $7.50@8.50.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Jan. 20.—Hogs—Receipts, 60,000; market, dull to 10c to 15c under yesterday's average. Bulk of sales, $6.65@6.85; light, $6.55@6.95; mixed, $6.50@6.95; heavy, $6.40@6.90; rough, $6.40@6.50; pigs, $5.25@6.95.

Cattle—Receipts, 18,000; market, weak. Native steers, $5.50@9.25; Western, $5@7.50; cows and heifers, $3.20@8; calves, $7.25@10.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 15,00; market, strong. Sheep, $5.75@6.40; yearlings, $6.60@6.70; lambs, $6.75@8.50.

London Wool Sales.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—There were 9500 bales offered at the wool auction sales today. A better selection of crossbreds brought out active competition and the opening prices were firmly established. Home traders were eager to secure supplies in order to complete government contracts. America and France secured a few lots of merinos.

Hops at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Hops—Quiet.

BUYING IS BROAD

Stocks Again Advance With Strong Demand.

TOP PRICES OF SEASON

Dealings in Bonds Are Largest Since Reopening of Exchange—Reports From Steel Industry Are Favorable.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—There were indications at odd moments of today's stock market session that the limit of absorption had been reached, but these were dispelled later, when a broad-buying movement wiped out most of the early losses and sent numerous important tissues to the highest level attained since the renewal of open trading.

Dealings in stocks showed a marked decrease from the preceding day's extraordinary activity, but this was more than offset by the gain in bonds, the business in these securities aggregating the largest amount of any day since the exchange reopened.

Pressure was directed against some of the leaders, particularly United States Steel and the principal coppers, boardroom gossip attributing the temporary heaviness of these stocks to foreign selling. London, from all accounts, disposed of a moderate amount of our stocks in this market.

Advices from Pittsburg gave a more favorable aspect to the outlook for the steel industry, operations in that district and the Middle West showing a considerable gain in rate of production, compared with a week ago. Copper prices held at 14 cents, but some disappointment was felt at the Amalgamated dividend, which was again declared on the 50-cent quarterly basis.

Many of the day's gains in bonds were in speculative issues, advances extending from 1 to 4 per cent. St. Paul convertibles were a feature, contributing more than their quota to the whole. Total sales, par value, were $3,960,000. United States Government registered 2s were up ¼ per cent on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Alaska Gold	1,800	29	28¾	28¾
Amal Copper	19,400	57⅞	57	57½
Am Beet Sugar	2,400	35⅝	35	35⅝
American Can	3,100	30⅝	30⅛	30¼
Am Smel & Ref	1,800	63	61¾	62⅜
do preferred	200	102	101⅞	102½
Am Sugar Ref	.....	.....	.....	104½
Am Tel & Tel	4,700	121½	119⅞	121
Am Tobacco	800	232	230	230
Anaconda Min	1,500	28	27⅝	27⅝
Atchison	4,400	95⅝	94½	95
Balt & Ohio	5,800	74	73	73⅝
Brok R Tran	2,100	88½	87½	87⅞
Cal Petroleum	200	17½	17	17¼
Canadian Pac	3,300	167⅛	165¼	166½
Central Leather	800	35	34⅝	34⅞
Ches & Ohio	1,100	44¼	43⅞	43⅝
Chi Gt West	1,400	11⅜	11⅛	11⅛
C, M & St Paul	3,600	92⅝	90½	92¼
Chicago & N W	.....	.....	.....	127½
Chino Copper	6,100	36⅝	38⅞	36⅝
Col Fuel & Iron	300	26	26	26
Col & Southern	.....	.....	.....	25
D & R Grande	.....	.....	.....	6¾
do preferred	700	12½	11¾	13
Distillers' Secur	200	12	11½	11⅝
Erie	.....	.....	.....	22⅝
Gen Electric	.....	.....	.....	144
Gt North pf	3,000	116½	116½	116⅝
Gt North Ore	9,000	34	30	[illegible]
Guggenheim Ex	1,800	51⅜	50	51¼
Illinois Central	200	108⅝	108	108
Inter Met pf	200	19¼	18⅝	18⅝
Inspiration Cop	.....	.....	.....	96½
Inter Harvester	1,600	24⅝	23⅞	24¼
K C Southern	4,100	138⅛	136⅝	137½
Lehigh Valley	200	119	119	119
Louis & Nash	4,00	61⅝	60⅝	61⅝
Miami Copper	900	18¼	18	18¼
Mo, Kan & Tex	1,200	11⅛	10⅛	11½
Mo Pacific	39,000	15⅝	12⅝	14⅝
Nat Biscuit	.....	.....	.....	125
National Lead	.....	.....	.....	46½
Nevada Copper	400	13¼	13⅛	13⅝
N Y Central	700	89¼	89	89
N Y, N H & H	800	56	5½	55
Norfolk & West	.....	.....	.....	102⅝
Northern Pac	4,800	104⅞	104⅜	104⅝
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	21
Pac Tel & Tel	.....	.....	.....	29
Pennsylvania	3,800	107	106½	106¾
Pull Pal Car	500	154	153½	154
Ray Con Copper	1,900	17¾	17⅛	17⅜
Reading	36,200	152	150⅞	151⅝
Republic I & S	900	21⅞	21¼	21⅜
Rock Island Co	200	⅝	⅝	⅝
do preferred	600	1⅜	1⅛	1⅛
St L & S F 2 pf	.....	.....	.....	3⅜
Southern Pac	8,400	87½	85⅝	86⅝
Southern Ry	1,900	17	16¼	16⅝
Tenn Coper	300	32	31⅜	31½
Texas Company	300	134½	134½	134
Union Pacific	8,200	121¼	120¼	120⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	80⅝
U S Steel	14,900	52⅝	51⅞	52½
do preferred	1,300	108⅝	107½	108
Utah Copper	3,500	54⅝	53	54¼
Wabash pf	3,100	2⅛	2	2⅜
Western Union	2,000	63	62½	62⅝
Westing Elec	800	72⅝	71⅞	71⅝

Total sales for the day, 30,600 shares.

BONDS.

U S Ref 2s, reg.	98⅝	U S N 4s, coup.	109⅝
do coupon	98⅝	N Y C G 3½s	81
U S 3s, reg.	101	Nor Pac 3s	64½
do coupon	101½	do 4s	92⅝
U S N 4s, reg.	109½	Union Pac 4s	95½

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange, barely steady. Sixty-day bills, $4.8175; for cables, $4.8425; for demand, $4.8385.

Bar silver, 49c.

Mexican dollars, 37¾c.

Government bonds, firm; railroad bonds, strong.

Time loans, easy; 60 days, 2¾ per cent; 90 days, 3 per cent; six months, 3½ per cent.

Call money, steady. High, 2 per cent; low, 1¾; ruling rate, 2; last loan, 2; closing bid, 1¾; offered at 2.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—Do Beers, 9¾; Rand Mines, 5.

Bar silver, 22 13-16d per ounce.

Money, 1 per cent.

Rates of discount: For short bills, 1⅞@2 per cent; do, three months' bills, 2 per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—Sterling exchange, 60 days, $4.81¾; sight, $4.84; cable, $4.84¾.

Americans Firm at London.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—The stock market was slightly quieter, but prices were steady, except war loan issues, which were offered prior to the installment payment due tomorrow. Rio Tintos were easy on realizing, but home rails, mining shares and Russian bonds advanced.

The American was the brightest and most active section of the stock market today. Dealings occurred in practically the whole list, with Canadian Pacific leading. The closing was firm.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKETS

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

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—Butter—Fancy creamery, 30c; seconds, 28c.

Eggs—Fancy ranch, 30c; pullets, 28c.

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

Vegetables—Bell peppers, 10@11c; do Chile, 5@7c; string beans, 10@15c; wax, 5@7c; Limas, 10@12½c; hothouse cucumbers, $2.50@2.75; Los Angeles tomatoes, 50@75c; lettuce, 50@90c.

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, Newtown Pippins, 65@90c; Bellfleurs, 50@75c; Baldwins, 60@75c; Winesaps, 65@75c; do, Oregon, Spitzenbergs, $1@1.50; Newtown Pippins, $1@1.25; Winesaps, $1@1.25.

Potatoes—Burbanks, Salinas, $2@2.10; delta, $1; Oregon, $1.65@1.75; Idaho, $1.15@1.55; Oregon American Wonders, $1.65; Watsonville, $1.50@1.65; sweets, $1.65@1.75.

Receipts—Flour, 5934 quarters; barley, 4600 centals; potatoes, 7070 sacks; hay 553 tons.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—The coffee market was quiet again today and there was little change in prices. Futures opened at an advance of one point and active months sold a point or two net higher during the day, in sympathy with the continued steadiness of Brazil, but there was hardly enough demand to reflect any changes in the general sentiment and the close was unchanged to one point higher. Sales, 7500 bags. January, 6.09c; February, 6.14c; March, 6.24c; April, 6.34c; May, 6.44c; June, 6.54c; July, 7.34c; September, 7.44c; October, 7.49c; November, 7.55c; December, 7.61c.

Spot, steady; Rio, unchanged; on London, 3-32d lower.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, Jan. 20.—Butter—Unchanged.

Eggs—Lower. Receipts, 3616 cases; at mark, cases included, 25@32c; ordinary firsts, 30; firsts, 32c.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, Jan. 20.—Linseed, cash, $1.88; May, $1.89.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—The market for sugar futures was easier today, prompted by the more favorable weather reports from Cuba. At noon prices were about 2 to 8 points net lower, with sales of 300 tons.

The spot sugar market was steady and unchanged. No sales. Molasses sugar, 2.18c; centrifugal, 2.95c. Refined, steady.

The last quotation on sugar was at 2.98c for centrifugal on a transaction of 30,000 bags Cuban, an advance of 3 points. Molasses at the close was quoted at 2.21c, also advancing 3 points.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Copper firm. Electrolytic, 14.00c; casting, 13.75c.

Lead quiet, 3.65@3.70c.

Spelter firm, 6.48@6.50c.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Evaporated apples dull. Prunes, quiet. Peaches, quiet and firm.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Spot cotton steady. Mid-uplands, 8.50. Sales 1500 bales.

BAKER POULTRY SHOW ON

Mrs. L. F. Bailey Wins All Prizes in White Leghorn Class.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The second annual poultry show of the Baker County Poultry Association opened today.

B. F. Keeney, licensed judge, of Eugene, lost no time in starting the judging. He made the awards for White Leghorns and White Rocks and partially for Barred Plymouth Rocks. Following were the wards:

White Leghorns—All prizes won by Mrs. L. F. Bailey, as follows: First, second and third pen; first, second and third cockerel; first cock; first, second and third hen; first, second and third pullet.

White Rocks—E. L. Moody won first pen, first cockerel, and first, second and third pullet. Charles Bodwell won first hen. All other entries were disqualified.

Barred Plymouth Rocks—First and third cockerel, Whiteman Bros., Heppner; second cockerel, William Helmsoth; first cock, Whiteman Bros.; second cock, Charles Dresbach; third cock, William Helmsoth. Other classes not yet judged.

There are between 350 and 400 chickens on display. There are 35 individual entries.

NEW WATER LAW DESIRED

Method of Collecting for City Distribution Now Unsatisfactory.

GRANDVIEW, Wash., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—On the invitation of the Council of Grandview a conference of the city attorneys of Sunnyside, Prosser and Grandview was held here Monday to draft a bill for the Legislature, which would permit cities using Government water for irrigation and domestic purposes to handle the situation.

The proposed law would enable cities to create improvement districts and levy assessments according to area for the payment of the original cost, maintenance, construction of distributing systems and incidental expenses.

As the same problem confronts all of the towns of the Yakima valley it is hoped to procure their combined aid in presenting the bill to the Legislature.

SERVICE MEN ARE NAMED

C. B. Aitchison, of Railroad Commission Again Heads Body.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—C. B. Aitchison, of the State Railroad Commission, has been re-elected president of the Pacific Coast Association of Public Service Commissions. Max Thelen, president of the California Public Service Commission, was chosen vice-president, and E. H. Walker, secretary of the Nevada Commission, secretary.

The organization is composed of the members of the Public Service Commissions of Oregon, Washington, California, Nevada and Idaho. It has been in existence for a couple of years and its purpose is primarily to give opportunity for concerted action on the part of the various commissions whenever such action is necessary.

OATS AND BARLEY SOAR

New Record Prices Made at Baker, but Wheat Is Stationary.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Oats and barley climbed today to new top levels, oats selling at $1.65 a hundredweight and even, in some instances, as high as $1.70. Barley went to $29 a ton in the open market, this being the record for the season. Wheat remained stationary at $1.25 a bushel for the best grades. There is no buying for future delivery in Baker and the farmers who hold wheat at this time are almost all keeping their stock for seeding.

Only a small portion of the oats and barley crop has been disposed of by the farmers in this country, although a large amount of barley has been fed to hogs.

PRISON SENTENCE GIVEN

Milton Boy Charged With Stealing From Employers.

PENDLETON, Or., Jan. 20. — (Special.)—Ralph Despain, young scion of a Pendleton pioneer family, who was arrested several months ago on a charge of burglary, entered a plea of guilty yesterday and was sentenced to serve from two to five years in the penitentiary.

Hersy Durkin, a 19-year-old high school boy of Milton, was brought to the county jail yesterday by Deputy Sheriff West, charged with taking $255 from a safe in a store where he was employed.

RABIES GROWS IN MALHEUR

Ranchmen Report Cattle Running Amuch and Escapes From Bites.

MALHEUR, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Many cattle in Malheur are dying from bites inflicted by rabid coyotes that are running amuck. Walter Worsham, a stockman, living five miles from here, had a narrow escape Sunday when a cow ran amuck, biting many animals before it could be killed.

People, fearing attacks, seldom venture far unless armed. A resident near here was saved in an attack by a mad coyote by the use of a saw he was carrying. Ranchers, who now are forming coyote hunts, have killed as many as 200 in an afternoon.

Requisition for Fugitive Made.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—A requisition was issued today by Governor Withycombe upon the Governor of California for the extradition of Albert Hirleman, wanted to answer a charge of larceny by bailee in Hood River. Hirleman, it is charged, was hired by William Blair and W. Margulis to act as foreman and manager for them over a crew of timber cutters. It is said he presented a statement of wood sold, but failed to pay over the cash. Thomas F. Johnson, Sheriff of Hood River County, was appointed special agent to return Hirleman to this state.

Co-operative societies in Bradford, England, have between 40,000 and 50,000 members.

UPTURN IS SHARP

Renewed Export Buying Lifts Wheat Prices.

GAIN OVER THREE CENTS

Foreign Purchases of Million Bushels Come to Light—Middle Western Farmers Protest Against Proposed Embargo.

CHICAGO, Jan. 20.—Resumption of export buying on a large scale led to a sharp upturn late today in the price of all cereals. There was a strong close with wheat 2⅝c to 3⅛@3¼c above last night. Corn gained ⅜c to 1c net, and oats ⅝@1c to 1@1⅛c. In provisions, the outcome was unchanged to 5@7½c higher.

Wheat ran up as much as 5⅛c a bushel from the lowest point of the day. It was a case of a general stampede to the buying side when word came that seaboard sales to exporters had suddenly widened out, and that foreign transactions which had not previously been known of would amount to at least 1,000,000 bushels. Rural offerings of wheat today were said to have proved meager in every direction. There were also reports of big storms in Argentina and of protests to be sent to Congress from farmers' elevator associations in Nebraska, Iowa and the Dakotas, taking ground against any measure that would cause a lowering of grain values.

Europeans were reported as having taken 500,000 bushels of corn at the seaboard and 150,000 bushels here.

Export sales of oats at the seaboard were said to aggregate 1,000,000 bushels.

Provisions at first headed downward in line with the hog market. Later the chief influence was the strength of grain.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$1.39¾	$1.43	$1.37⅞	$1.43
July	1.22⅝	1.25⅝	1.22⅛	1.25⅝
CORN.				
May	.77¼	.78⅞	.76⅞	.78⅝
July	.78⅝	.79⅝	.77⅝	.79½
OATS.				
May	.54⅞	.56	.54½	.55⅞
July	.52⅝	.53⅝	.52⅝	.53⅝
MESS PORK.				
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	18.55
May	18.87½	19.00	18.80	18.97½
LARD.				
Jan.	10.57½	10.62½	10.55	10.62½
May	10.72½	10.80	10.70	10.80
SHORT RIBS.				
Jan.	9.87½	10.95	10.87½	9.95
May	10.25	10.32½	10.25	10.35

Cash prices were as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.36⅞@1.42; No. 2 hard, $1.36⅞@1.42.

Corn—No. 4 yellow, 69½@70c; No. 4 white, 69½@71c.

Rye—No. 2, $1.20.

Barley, 69@77c.

Timothy, $6@7.50.

Clover, $12.50@15.

Foreign Grain Markets.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—Cargoes on passage, 3d lower.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 20.—Corn—February, 7s 4d. Wheat not quoted.

BUENOS AYRES, Jan 20.—Wheat—1s 2d higher.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 20. — Wheat, May, $1.36⅝@1.36⅞ to $1.36⅝; July, $1.35 bid; No. 1 hard, $1.40⅝; No. 1 Northern, $1.34⅝ to $1.40⅛; No. 2 Northern, $1.35@1.38⅛.

Barley—62@72c.

Flax, $1.87@1.89.

San Francisco Grain Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—Spot quotations: Walla Walla, $2.38¾@2.40; red Russian, $2.35@2.37½; Turkey red, $2.40@2.45; bluestem, $2.45@2.50; feed barley, $1.55@1.57½; white oats, $1.80@1.85; bran, $31@32; shorts, $32@33; middlings, $33@34.

Call board—Barley, firm. December, $1.50; May, $1.66¼.

Puget Sound Grain Market.

SEATTLE, Jan. 20. — Wheat—Bluestem, $1.43; Turkey red, $1.39; fortyfold, $1.42; club, $1.40; Fife, $1.38; red Russian, $1.35.

Barley, $31.00 per ton.

Yesterday's car receipts—Wheat 21; oats 2, barley 5, hay 28, flour 10.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 20.—Wheat, unchanged.

Yesterday's car receipts—Wheat, 16; corn, 1; oats, 1; bagley, 6; hay, 8.

PLEA MADE FOR SAFETY

ABOLITION OF WELFARE COMMISSION OPPOSED BY LEAGUE.

Consumers' Body Cites That No Economy Can Result Since Members Protect Women Without Pay.

Protesting against the passage of Senate bills Nos. 4 and 32, which, it is charged, will destroy the Industrial Welfare Commission and remove all protection of the law from women employed in canneries throughout the state, the Consumers' League has prepared a letter to be sent to members of the Legislature.

It is stated that no economy can result from the law destroying the Welfare Commission, since its members are public spirited citizens serving without salary. It is stated that the legislation now sought to be nullified by the two measures threatened was passed at the session of 1913 at the request of the women of the state. The letter follows:

We desire to direct your attention to Senate bills Nos. 4 and 32, which are most detrimental to the welfare of the women wageearners of Oregon.

Senate bill No. 4 destroys the Welfare Commission, which is charged with the protection of the interests of the working women of the state. No motive of efficiency or economy can be advanced for this action. The Commissioners are public-spirited citizens, representing the employer, the employe and the public, and do not get a dollar of salary, not even traveling expenses. Hence no economy can result from merging the Commission.

As for efficiency, it would be idle to expect that any official who has charge of the merged boards would do the work as effectively as men and women whose hearts are in the work and who give generously of their time and energy that the working women of the state may have conditions of labor which will allow them to retain their health and be fitted for the grave duties of mothers of the coming generation.

Senate bill No. 32 would withdraw the women workers in canneries from all protection of the law and permit them to be employed unlimited hours and for a mere pittance. Oregon is proud of having protected her women workers against conditions destructive to health. To pass these measures would put the state back 2 years. It will work a grave wrong upon the women workers of the state.

This legislation is now before the United States Supreme Court. This is not the time to make radical changes. Let us wait until the courts have spoken.

The Legislature of 1913 passed this legislation unanimously at the request of the women of the state. The women of the state approve of the law and call upon the Legislature of 1915 to vote down any attempt to remove the safeguards from the women workers.

ROTARIANS HEAR TAX PLAN

J. N. Teal at Luncheon Presents Irrigation Project.

The Portland Rotary Club, after hearing J. N. Neal present, at its luncheon Tuesday at the Benson Hotel, the plan for a millage tax for irrigation appointed W. F. Scott to select a committee which will report on the proposed measure at the next meeting of the club.

Five of the clubs of the city had representatives at the meeting Monday at the Commercial Club, at which it was decided to launch a campaign in behalf of the bill. Mr. Teal says that if the state levies tax sufficient to produce $450,000, there is practical certainty of securing an equal amount from the Government, thus making a total of $900,000 for use in reclaiming arid land.

The Ad Club will hear Mr. Teal today and other commercial organizations of the city will follow in order. The Commercial Club's legislative committee indorsed the plan for a $450,000 appropriation by resolution.

IMMIGRATION REPORT IN

OREGON COMMISSION LISTS WORK DONE BY BODY.

Disappointed Settlers Are Termed Worst Advertisement of State—Aid Extended by Bureau Cited.

"A disappointed settler is Oregon's worst advertisement. A satisfied settler is Oregon's best advertisement. Give the homeseeker the facts and help him locate to his own advantage; that is what will build up the state, develop its resources and increase the taxable value of property."

That is one of the arguments in the biennial report of the Oregon Immigration Commission, which was adopted at the meeting of the commission in the office of its chairman, T. C. Burke. Mr. Burke, F. W. Lonegren, M. N. Dana, W. E. Coman, P. E. Schwabe and C. C. Chapman, State Immigration Agent, attended the meeting.

The report reviews the activities of the various departments in the past two years, covering every department and the expense entailed. In the preface the leading points of the activities of the immigration office and the characteristics of its work are outlined briefly by the following summary of the main points of the report:

Only one-sixth of the state appropriation expended for salaries.

No salaries or compensation paid to commissioners or agent.

The expenditure more than matched, dollar for dollar, by Oregon Development League fund, subscribed by Portland business men.

No indiscriminate soliciting of immigration.

Publications ultra-conservative.

Aim is to give homeseeker a square deal.

Homeseekers and investors entitled to facts.

Issuance of state pamphlets has destroyed influence of highly-colored, enthusiastic booster literature.

Land listing has caused drop in high prices of land.

Thousands of inquiries are replied to by personal letters with painstaking attention to every detail.

Experienced farmers assisted to locate and actually located.

Work covers every county of Oregon.

Official publication is only way state has of supplying facts to homeseekers.

Without official publication homeseekers will be prey to careless, overenthusiastic or false representation.

A square deal to homeseekers demands that the state publish the facts with regard to resources and opportunities of every locality in the state.

The state has suffered so much from former indiscriminate boosting that this conservative method of protecting homeseekers must not be abandoned.

BUILDING IS OREGON'S OWN

Few Products of Outside States Are Used in Work at Fair.

The Oregon commission to the Panama-Pacific Exposition is finding it possible to make the building almost wholly an Oregon-made product, as far as its furnishing is concerned, according to O. M. Clark, chairman of the commission. Where it is not possible to find Oregon-made goods to fit the needs, orders for other goods are placed with Oregon companies.

Students of the manual training schools are furnishing a large proportion of the furniture, while the rest is furnished by Oregon manufacturing companies. Electric fixtures, rugs and draperies are all from Oregon mills and the equipment of the quarters to be occupied by the employes in the building is all Oregon-made. Four students from the State University and four from the Agricultural College will be in the building to act as guides. There will be eight girls from the Oregon Agricultural College and a matron in charge of the cooking department.

CENSORSHIP WILL REMAIN

Move to Abolish St. Johns' Board Is Defeated.

ST. JOHNS, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The movement to repeal the board of censorship ordinance was "put to sleep" last night at the Council meeting by a motion to indefinitely postpone further consideration of the matter. A petition was submitted, signed by 163 citizens, asking for repeal of the ordinance. C. J. Anderson denounced the ordinance as an "infringement upon personal liberty." The City Atorney said that a local censor board is needed for local protection.

A bill of $266.88 in wages for men cutting cord wood in the Gatton tract was allowed, making a total of $550 the city has paid out to help the unemployed.

PRODUCE MEN DISPERSE

Exchange of Willamette Valley Merchants Ends Sessions.

The Merchants' Exchange, a co-operative organization of Willamette Valley merchants, which has been holding its annual meting at the Imperial Hotel, completed its work yesterday, electing Frank Davis, of this city, manager and J. H. Gooding, of St. Paul, treasurer.

The other officers of the exchange were chosen at Tuesday's meeting.

Drainage Committee Named.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Local owners of Klamath County marsh lands, around Lower Klamath Lake, elected A. A. Mehaffey, C. R. DeLap, and M. Motschenbacher a committee to represent them in their effort to form the Klamath darinage district. Much marsh land, now a waste, comprises a great deal of the southern part of the county, and an effort will be made through the drainage district to reclaim it for cultivation. A petition has been presented to the County Court

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Jan. 20.—Maximum temperature, 37.8 degrees; minimum, 30.8 degrees. River reading at 8 A. M., 4.5 feet; change in last 24 hours, 1.2 feet fall. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), none; total rainfall since September 1, 1915, 17.85 inches; normal rainfall since September 1, 23.58 inches; deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1915, 5.72 inches. Total sunshine January 20, 9 hours, 14 minutes; possible sunshine, 9 hours, 14 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea-level) at 5 P. M., 30.12 inches.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Maximum temp.	Precipitation past 24 hours.	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of Weather
Baker	20	0.00	4	SE	Clear
Boise	30	0.00	4	NW	Cloudy
Boston	42	0.00	6	SW	Clear
Calgary	30	0.02	6	N	Pt. cloudy
Chicago	28	0.18	18	NW	Cloudy
Denver	52	0.00	12	NW	Clear
Des Moines	18	0.01	6	NW	Clear
Duluth	10	0.00	20	NW	Clear
Eureka	58	0.00	4	E	Pt. cloudy
Galveston	60	0.00	4	SE	Clear
Helena	28	0.06	12	NW	Snow
Jacksonville	62	0.00	4	W	Clear
Kansas City	26	0.00	12	NW	Clear
Los Angeles	68	0.00	4	SW	Cloudy
Marshfield	58	0.00	4	NW	Pt. cloudy
Medford	42	0.00	..	....	Clear
Minneapolis	14	0.02	12	NW	Clear
Montreal	28	0.06	12	W	Snow
New Orleans	60	0.00	4	NW	Clear
New York	42	0.00	10	SE	Snow
North Head	46	0.00	4	E	Pt. cloudy
North Yakima	28	0.00	4	NW	Cloudy
Phoenix	88	0.00	4	W	Clear
Pocatello	24	0.00	4	SW	Clear
Portland	37	0.00	8	SE	Clear
Roseburg	36	0.00	4	NW	Cloudy
Sacramento	56	0.00	4	NW	Pt. cloudy
St. Louis	28	0.01	16	NW	Snow
Salt Lake	34	0.00	4	NW	Clear
San Francisco	60	0.00	4	NW	Cloudy
Seattle	38	0.00	8	NE	Cloudy
Spokane	28	0.00	4	SW	Cloudy
Tacoma	36	0.00	4	E	Cloudy
Tatoosh Island	48	0.00	40	E	Pt. cloudy
Walla Walla	26	0.00	4	W	Cloudy
Washington	38	0.20	6	W	Pt. cloudy
Winnipeg	-6	0.00	8	NW	Cloudy

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The barometer is falling rapidly over the Central Plateau States and rising rapidly over the Canadian Northwest and the Middle West. Snow has occurred in nearly all the Northern States east of the Rocky Mountains. It is much colder in Montana, the Dakotas, Northern Minnesota and the Canadian Northwest.

Conditions are favorable for fair weather in this district Thursday, except in Southern Idaho, where light snow will probably fall.

FORECASTS:

Portland and vicinity—Fair; winds mostly easterly.

Oregon and Washington—Fair; northeasterly winds.

Idaho—Fair north, snow south portion.

EDWARD A. BEALS, District Forecaster.

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