CREAMERY MEET SET

Extension of Co-operation in Oregon Is Proposed.

NEW STANDARD ADVOCATED

Session at Imperial Hotel Monday Also Will Be to Cope With Problem of Over-Production—Instruction Is Planned.

A call has been issued for a meeting of Oregon creamery men as a first step toward putting the creamery industry of this state on a better footing. The plan is to amalgamate the co-operative creameries into an association so their product can be improved in grade and a more satisfactory outlet found for it.

At present, some of the co-operative creameries are in a bad way financially and they need help. The meeting will be held at the Imperial Hotel at 10 o'clock Monday, January 31.

State Dairy and Food Commissioner Mickle said of the plan:

"We propose first to improve the quality of Oregon butter, as this state is facing over-production and we must prepare first-class goods for the outside market.

Standardization Is Plan.

"We intend to standardize as well as improve the product, and in order to do this we will put butter experts to work instructing the butter makers at the various co-operative plants.

"After an organization is perfected we propose to establish a co-operative selling association to distribute the surplus direct to retailers, starting with Portland and then extending to other Western markets.

"If we can get desirable rates by way of the Panama Canal, we hope to ship to the New York market, as with less freight charges we could put butter on the Atlantic Coast markets cheaper than Wisconsin manufacturers.

"All the surplus butter in every creamery in the association will be scored and sold according to the grade established.

Five-Year Contract Proposed.

"It is planned to sign the creameries up under a five-year ironclad contract for their entire output. We will leave to them their home market, but all their output will be standardized. All the first grade butter produced will be sold under one brand. After organizing the co-operative creameries, we will take in such others as desire to enter the association. There are 20 co-operative creameries in Oregon, and we expect a full attendance at the meeting Monday, for which Professor R. R. Graves and I have issued a call.

"The creamery men have been subjected to unfavorable market conditions, for which they are largely to blame themselves, and this is their opportunity, if they see fit, to form the organization which will, without question, succeed."

W. K. Newell Asked to Preside.

W. K. Newell, president of the State Dairy Association, has been asked to preside at the meeting. The plan was indorsed at the recent annual convention of the State Dairy Association at Corvallis. Others who are furthering the project are Dr. Hector McPherson, of the State Agricultural College, and G. E. Frevert, Western field agent of the dairy division of the Department of Agriculture.

SUGAR PLANT ASSURED

SALT LAKE INTERESTS ANNOUNCE ASKING BIDS FOR FACTORY.

Grants Pass People Enthusiastic at Prospect—More than 5000 Acres of Beet Land to Be Planted.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—A telegram from Salt Lake received here today from Bishop Nibley, containing confirmation of the report received here some time ago that a sugar factory is to be built in the Rogue River Valley this Summer, has produced great enthusiasm among the people of Grants Pass, and the building of the factory at once is now assured.

The telegram further announced that bids were now being asked for immediate construction work. The plant, when completed, will cost about $500,000.

Seed for the planting of at least 5000 acres has been secured by the Oregon & Utah Beet Sugar Company, which is financing the factory, and approximately 5000 acres of land suitable to the growing of the beet have been signed up in the valley.

At one time it was feared some disaffection arising in certain portions of the valley with reference to the exact location of the factory might seriously jeopardize the coming of the Oregon-Utah company into this part of the state, but it is now believed that all sections will unite in bringing about the upbuilding of the entire Rogue River country through the growing of the sugar beet, regardless of the exact location of the factory.

MINIMUM WAGE APPLIED

MR. DALY'S REQUIREMENTS WILL BE PART AUDITORIUM CONTRACT.

Home Labor Also to Be Given Preference, but Increased Cost Estimated Up to $100,000.

In the contract for the construction of Portland's proposed public Auditorium the Daly minimum wage and home labor ordinance is to get its first trial. That the measure will increase the cost materially is the opinion of Commissioner Dieck and others.

The measure requires that the contractor shall pay his workmen the rate of wages paid by the City for similar labor or occupation. This means $3 a day for laborers and a correspondingly high rate for skilled labor. The measure also requires the contractor to give preference to local labor, making the termination of the contract a penalty for employing outside labor, either skilled or unskilled, without first obtaining the consent of the City Council.

Before employing outside labor the contractor is required to notify the Commissioner in charge in writing.

As to the additional cost which will result in this particular case, there is a diversity of opinion. It is variously estimated at from 7 per cent to 25 per cent or, in dollars and cents, from $25,000 to $100,000.

Cowlitz Taxes Being Scheduled.

KELSO, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—County Treasurer Phillips and his force of assistants are busily engaged in preparing tax statements. Taxes, both real and personal, are due and payable Monday, February 7. All personal property taxes not paid before March 15 become delinquent. The assessments for diking Districts Nos. 1 and 2, near Kelso, will be made, and all property owners in these districts will get their diking assessment statement at the same time as they get their tax statement.

BAD-CHECK SUSPECT GONE

P. W. La Costa Leaves Roseburg 2 Hours Ahead of Warrant.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The Roseburg officers today are searching for P. W. La Costa, who is said to be wanted at Walla Walla, Wash., on charges of passing worthless checks.

La Costa was employed by a local furniture house for several months and is well known. He left Roseburg suddenly yesterday after informing a friend that he had an appointment with a prospective customer, some distance south of town.

The warrant from Walla Walla did not arrive here until two hours after La Costa departed for the south.

MINE FOOD CARRIED ON SKI

Snow in Mountains Near Grants Pass Reported 15 Feet Deep.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Placer miners in this city for supplies for mines in the Galice district report more than 15 feet of snow in the hills back of the camp.

Miners and ranchers living in the heart of the mountains for the past two weeks have adopted the use of skis, and many of them have become adepts. Supplies and mail are carried into the hills from Galice in this manner. More severe weather is predicted.

The thermometer has registered as low as 16 degrees above during the past two nights, with a slight rise during the day.

FILLING STATION FIGHT ON

Garage Owners and Gasoline Men to Lock Horns n Council Today.

Members of the Garage Owners' Association and owners of gasoline filling stations on streets will lock horns today before the City Council on the proposal of the garage men and others to force the removal of filling stations from street and sidewalk space within the city.

The garage men contend that the street stations block traffic and are unsightly. The other side contends that the move is one aimed to put the sidewalk stations out of business.

Boom Scheme Faces Foreclosure.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—A delinquency certificate of foreclosure in this county by J. A. Richardson on the Harriman townsite probably will mark the end of one of Washington's late boom schemes. Delinquent taxes amounting to $39.30 are covered by the certificate which will result in a foreclosure on six blocks, 24 lots, and about seven-tenths of an acre in Harriman. Harriman was laid out on the O.-W. R. & N. survey of its branch to Grays Harbor when that line was built a few years ago.

Chehalis Is Considering Paving.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—O. J. Albers, president of the Chehalis Automobile Club, has selected a committee to work out the problem of paving National avenue, the main thoroughfare connecting with the Pacific Highway. City Engineer Whaley has estimated the job at $15,000 for a 16-foot concrete pavement. The present roadway of plank is worn out.

Pendleton Man Files for Clerk.

PENDLETON, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—With the primary elections almost four months distant, the political situation has begun to warm up already in Umatilla County. Robert T. Brown, of Pendleton, Tuesday started the ball rolling when he filed the announcement of his candidacy for County Clerk on the Republican ticket. County Clerk Frank Saling, Republican, is expected to be a candidate for re-election.

Defunct Company Pays Dividend.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Another dividend of 40 per cent was paid yesterday to the creditors of the Wisconsin Lumber Company, of Littell, which failed about three years ago. This makes 80 per cent that has been paid on the liabilities.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Jan. 27.—Maximum temperature, 24 degrees; minimum, 25 degrees. River reading at 8 A. M., 7.4 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.8 foot fall. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), none; total rainfall since September 1, 19[illegible] inches; excess of rainfall since September 1, 25 inches; excess of rainfall since September 1, 1915, 2.48 inches. Total sunshine January 27, 4 hours 50 minutes; possible sunshine, 9 hours, 30 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea-level) at 5 P. M., 29.46 inches.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Maximum temp.	Precipitation past 24 hours	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of Weather
Baker	22	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
Boise	26	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
Boston	62	0.01	..	NE	Cloudy
Calgary	-26	0.00	..	..	Pt. cloudy
Chicago	62	0.08	24	SW	Cloudy
Denver	10	0.40	10	NE	Snow
Des Moines	34	0.40	12	NW	Clear
Duluth	12	0.98	26	NW	Snow
Eureka	42	0.00	36	N	Cloudy
Galveston	68	0.02	14	E	Cloudy
Helena	-18	0.00	..	W	Clear
Jacksonville	76	0.00	12	E	Clear
Kansas City	14	0.32	12	NW	Cloudy
Los Angeles	58	2.58	18	SW	Cloudy
Marshfield	36	0.02	..	N	Cloudy
Medford	30	0.08	..	W	Snow
Minneapolis	18	0.42	14	NW	Cloudy
Montreal	20	0.24	12	E	Cloudy
New Orleans	70	0.00	..	SE	Cloudy
New York	60	0.00	28	SW	Pt. cloudy
North Head	36	0.20	..	N	Pt. cloudy
North Yakima	22	0.00	24	NE	Clear
Phoenix	64	0.08	16	S	Cloudy
Pocatello	24	0.00	..	SW	Cloudy
Portland	34	0.00	16	NE	Cloudy
Roseburg	32	0.02	..	N	Snow
Sacramento	52	0.00	16	NW	Snow
St. Louis	38	0.02	14	NW	Cloudy
Salt Lake	32	0.01	..	W	Cloudy
San Francisco	54	1.10	26	NW	Cloudy
Seattle	36	0.00	..	NE	Cloudy
Spokane	18	0.00	12	NE	Cloudy
Tacoma	34	0.00	16	NE	Cloudy
Tatoosh Island	42	0.36	42	NE	Clear
Walla Walla	20	0.00	..	S	Cloudy
Washington	70	0.00	..	SW	Cloudy
Winnipeg	-40	0.20	16	N	Snow

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

A disturbance of marked energy has moved inland to Nevada and has caused moderate to strong gales and heavy rains over California. High pressure obtains from the Rocky Mountains eastward to the Atlantic Coast. Precipitation has occurred in Southwestern Washington, Southwestern Oregon, from California eastward to the Mississippi River, in the Northern Plains States and eastward to the North Atlantic Coast; also in central and Eastern Canada. The weather is decidedly colder in New Mexico and Texas and northeastward to the Lakes Region; also in New England; it is 10 degrees colder in Southeastern Washington. The temperatures are high over the Southwest. Temperatures are below normal west of a line drawn from Southern Texas to Lake Michigan and above normal to the eastward of this line.

The conditions are favorable for occasional snow in this district Friday, with slight temperature changes and generally northeasterly winds.

FORECASTS:

Portland and vicinity—Occasional snow, northeasterly winds.

Oregon, Washington and Idaho—Occasional snow; not much change in temperatures; northeasterly winds.

THEODORE F. DRAKE,
Assistant Forecaster.

WHEAT BUYING KEEN

Prices in Country Again Are Forced Upward.

MILLING GRADES WANTED

Local Market, at Same Time, Is Declining and May Soon Be on Parity With Interior. Oats Very Firm.

Wheat markets east of the Cascades were excited yesterday. There is sharp competition for milling grades and bids for bluestem and Turkey red were raised to the highest point of the season. Buying was on an enlarged scale. It was not clear whether the purchasing was for shipment Eastward or to come this way, or whether the wheat was being bought for speculation. There was also a good demand for export grain, but there was not the excitement in this line as in the others. The larger part of the best club is now out of the farmers' hands.

While wheat is advancing in the country, it is declining here. A change of a few cents more will put the Coast and the interior markets on a parity, except in the case of bluestem. There is more wheat on the docks here than is needed and for that reason spot prices are sagging. When the Portland market gets down to the country basis, a movement of grain from local warehouses to Eastern cities may be expected.

Club bids for January and February delivery were reduced another cent at the Merchants' Exchange session. Bluestem offers were 1 cent lower. Five thousand bushels of January fortyfold were sold at $1.07, the same price bid the day before. March fortyfold was reduced 1 cent.

Stocks of No. 1 oats have been closely cleaned up east of the mountains. Offgrade oats are now selling in the country markets at equal to $29.50 Coast.

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

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Port. Thur.	17	2	11	4	15
" Fri.	43	3	9	7	5
Se'son to date	8,946	1304	1092	789	1475
Year ago	12,855	1278	1536	1476	1384
Tacoma, Wed	12	2	....	....	15
Year ago	48	....	....	6	14
Se'son to date	5,645	472	....	238	1577
Year ago	7,303	422	....	396	2224
Seattle Wed.	....	....	15	3	18
Year ago	18	....	11	4	32
Se'son to date	6,447	1058	1502	715	2873
Year ago	5,952	827	1555	883	3122

HIDES STILL CONTINUE TO ADVANCE.

Eastern Market Gains Full Cent in Past Fortnight.

The Eastern hide markets continue strong. Advices received from Chicago say there is an active demand from tanners for almost everything, and the firmness of the situation and the advances in prices are not confined to any one branch of the market, but include domestic packer and country hides, and all descriptions of foreign dry and salted hides. In the Chicago packer market further advances in prices have been established, with trading in native steers at 23c, heavy Texas steers at 20c, light and extreme Texas steers together and branded cows at 20¾c, Colorados at 19c, butt brands at 19¼c, and heavy and lightweight native cows at 21½c. These prices are all ½c higher than the previous ½c increase a week ago, and, in fact, in some instances even higher rates than the above have been realized, but in these instances mostly choice back salting hides were sold, which were worth some premium in price over November and December salting. The sales of packer hides have not been so large as the week previous, but this is due primarily to the fact that packers did not have so much to offer.

Country hides are also in good demand and strong, and prices on buffs, heavy cows, etc., are a full cent higher than they were a fortnight ago. Since the cleanings up of the New York market on Latin-American dry hides prices have been steadily stiffening up and sales of fresh arrivals of Central Americans, Mexicans, Venezuelans, etc., have been at an advance of about 1c, with further increases asked for more.

Trading in Latin-American hides has been considerably restricted of late, however, by the strict enforcement by the Government of disinfection regulations against anthrax, foot and mouth disease, rinderpest and other contagions. This has resulted in the tying up of a good many hides which the authorities refused to allow to be shipped, but later a number of cargoes of hides were released when word was obtained from United States Consuls that no disease existed in their districts. The high freight rates and the scarcity of vessels for the transportation of hides and skins is still exercising considerable influence in about all markets, but especially in such important shipping countries as Argentina, China and the East Indies. Owing to the high freights, coupled with the brisk demand for hides, prices at the River Plate have advanced materially.

PRICES ON ORANGES WITHDRAWN

Shipments North Will Be Light, Owing to Rains in California.

Oranges are going to be in small supply locally for some time to come. Only a light shipment arrived by the steamer yesterday. California advices said there was another rain storm in the southern part of the state, and that shippers had withdrawn quotations for the time being. The local market is on a very strong basis.

There was a moderate assortment of vegetables on the steamer and there was a good demand for everything offered.

Poultry Receipts Larger.

Country produce receipts, except eggs, were liberal yesterday. Eggs continued in very small supply and the demand, if anything, was stronger. Candled stock was quoted at 35 to 37 cents.

All kinds of poultry cleaned up readily except geese. There was more veal on hand than for several days, and the market was weaker at 12@12½ cents. Pork was firm at 9 cents.

No changes were reported in the butter market.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,323,631	$127,186
Seattle	1,654,022	141,302
Tacoma	207,768	20,726
Spokane	576,876	77,144

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session. January delivery.

	Bid.	Ask.	Yr. ago.
Wheat—			Bid
Bluestem	$ 1.14	$ 1.18	$ 1.45
Fortyfold	1.06	1.08	1.44
Club	1.04	1.08	1.43
Red fife	1.03	1.10	1.38
Red Russian	1.03	.....	1.37
Oats—			
No. 1 white, feed	27.50	28.50	36.75
Barley—			
No. 1 feed	29.00	30.50	32.50
Millfeed—			
Bran	21.50	22.00	30.00
Shorts	23.25	23.00	31.00
Futures—		Bid.	Ask.
February bluestem		$ 1.14½	$ 1.17
March bluestem		1.15½	1.19
February fortyfold		1.07	1.09
March fortyfold		1.08	1.11
February club		1.04	1.06
March club		1.05	1.11
February fife		1.04	1.10
March fife		1.06	1.10
February Russian		1.08	1.07
March Russian		1.05	1.09
February oats		27.50	28.50
March oats		28.00	29.50
February feed barley		28.00	30.50
March feed barley		29.00	30.50
February bran		21.50	23.00
March bran		22.00	23.50
February shorts		22.50	23.00
March shorts		23.50	24.00

FLOUR — Patents, $5.60 per barrel; straights, $4.90@5.40; exports, $4.70; Valley, $5.10; whole wheat, $5.50; graham, $5.60.

HAY—Eastern Oregon timothy, $17.50@18.50; Valley timothy, $14@16; alfalfa, $17@18; oats and vetch, $13@14.

MILLFEED—Spot prices: Bran, $22.50 per ton; shorts, $23.50; rolled barley, $31@32.

CORN—Whole, $31 per ton; cracked, $38 per ton.

Fruits and Vegetables.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2@3.25 per box; lemons, $3@4.50 per box; bananas, 5c per pound; pineapples, 4½@6c per pound; grapefruit, $3@3.25; pomegranates, $1.50 per box; tangerines, $1.40@1.50.

VEGETABLES — Artichokes, $1.25@1.50 per dozen; tomatoes, California, $1.50@1.75; cabbage, $1.50@2 per hundred; garlic, 15c per pound; peppers, 20@30c per pound; eggplant, 15@17c per pound; sprouts, 8@9c per pound; horseradish, 19c per pound; cauliflower, $2.50; celery, $4.75@5 per crate; beans, 10@12½c; lettuce, $2.40@2.50 per crate; peas, 8@10c; cucumbers, $1.75@2.

GREEN FRUITS—Pears, $1@1.50 per box; grapes, $4@5 per barrel; cranberries, $12.50 per barrel.

POTATOES — Oregon, $1.65@1.75; Yakimas, $1.65@1.75 per sack; sweets, $2.75@3.00 per hundred.

ONIONS—Oregon, buying price, $2 f. o. b. shipping point.

APPLES — Spitzenbergs, extra fancy, $2.25; fancy, $2; choice, $1.25@1.50; Jonathans, extra fancy, $1.50; fancy, $1.25; choice, $1; Yellow Newtowns, extra fancy, $2; fancy, $1.75; choice, $1@1.25; Baldwins, extra fancy, $1.50; fancy, $1.25; choice, $1; russets, orchard run, $1.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations:

EGGS—Buying prices: Oregon ranch, premium, 35c; No. 1, 30c; No. 2, 27c; No. 3, 20c; Jobbing prices: Oregon ranch, candled, 36@37c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, small, 14c; large, 15c; small Springs, 14@15c; turkeys, live, 20c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 26c; ducks, 12@16c; geese, 10@11c.

BUTTER—Cubes, extras, 31c; firsts, 29c; seconds, 27c; prints and cartons, 3c extra; butterfat, No. 1, 32c; No. 2, 29c.

CHEESE—Oregon triplets, jobbing buying prices, 17c per pound, f. o. b. dock Portland; Young Americas, 18c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 12@12½c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 9c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.30 per dozen; one-half flats, $1.50; 1-pound flats, $2.50; Alaska pink 1-pound talls, 95c.

HONEY—Choice, $3.25 per case.

NUTS—Walnuts, sack lots, 16c; Brazil nuts, 15@18c; filberts, 16@18c; almonds, 16½c; peanuts, 5½c; cocoanuts, $1 per dozen; pecans, 10@20c; chestnuts, 10c.

BEANS—Small white, 7.20c; large white, 7.75c; lima, 6c; bayou, 6½c; pink, 5¾c.

COFFEE—Roasted in drums, 14@33c.

SUGAR—Fruit and berry, $6.60; beet, $6.40; extra C, $6.10; powdered, in barrels, $6.85; cubes, barrels, $7.

SALT—Granulated, $12.50 per ton; half ground, 100s, $9.50 per ton; 50s, $10.50 per ton; dairy, $14 per ton.

RICE—Southern head, 5½@6½c pound; broken, 4c; Japan style, 4½@5c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 8c per pound; apricots, 18@15c; peaches, 8c; prunes, Italians, 8@9c; raisins loose Muscatels, 8c; unbleached Sultanas, 9½@10c; seeded, 9c; dates, Persian, 10c pound; fard, $1.65 per box; currants, 8¼@12c; figs, 50 6-ounce, $2; 10 4-ounce, $2.25; 36 10-ounce, $2.40; 12 10-ounce, 85c; bulk white, 7@8c; blacks, 6c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1915 crop, 9½@12½c per pound.

HIDES—Salted hides, 25 pounds and up, 14½c; salted stags, 50 pounds and up, 11c; salted kip, 15 pounds to 25 pounds, 13c; salted calf up to 15 pounds, 18c; green hides 25 pounds and up, 13c; green stags, 50 pounds and up, 9½c; green kip, 15 pounds to 25 pounds, 15c; green calf, up to 15 pounds, 18c; dry flint hides, 25c; dry flint calf, up to 7 pounds, 27c; dry salt hides, 20c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 18@25c; Valley, 25@26c; Fall lambs' wool, 25c.

MOHAIR—Oregon, 28c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 3½@4c per pound.

PELTS—Dry long-wooled pelts, 16c; dry short-wooled pelts, 12c; dry shearlings, 10@15c each; salted shearlings, 15@25c each; dry goat, long hair, 13c each; dry goat shearlings, 10@20c each; salted long-wooled pelts, December, 75c@$1.50 each.

Provisions.

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 19c; standard, 17½c; skinned, 14@17½c; picnics, 9½c; cottage roll, 13½c.

BACON—Fancy, 27@28c; standard, 21@22c; choice, 15½@20c.

DRY SALT—Short, clear backs, 11¾@13½c; exports, 11½@13c; plates, 9@10½c.

LARD—Tierce basis, kettle rendered, 11¾c; standard, 10¾c; compound, 10¼c.

BARREL GOODS—Mess beef, $18; plate beef, $19; plate pork, $18; tripe, $10.50@11.50.

Oils.

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

GASOLINE—Bulk, 16½c; cases, 23½c; engine distillate, drums, 9c; cases, 16c; naphtha, drums, 16½c; cases, 21½c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 86c; raw, cases, 91c; boiled, barrels, 88c; boiled, cases, 93c.

TURPENTINE—In tanks, 67c; in cases, 74c; 10-case lots 1c less.

STEADY TRADE IN HOGS

OFFERINGS READILY TAKEN AT RULING PRICES.

Best Livestock Moving at $7.40—No Change in Cattle Situation. Sheep Firm.

The market for all classes of stock at the North Portland yards was steady yesterday. Supplies were light, except in the hog division, where the bulk of the trading occurred. Hog sales were at the prices established at the opening of the week, $7.40 for the best grade. A load of good steers sold at $7 and a few choice cows brought $6. No sheep were available.

Receipts were 19 cattle and 146 hogs. Shippers were: Patton & Norwood, Halsey, 1 car cattle and hogs; Sun Bar Ranch Company, Fairview, 1 car hogs.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
47 hogs	172	$7.40	3 hogs	270	$6.40
2 hogs	235	6.40	70 hogs	270	6.30
1 hog	110	6.25	65 hogs	190	7.40
1 hog	150	6.00	16 hogs	150	7.30
36 hogs	200	7.40	2 hogs	300	7.30
43 hogs	200	7.40	2 hogs	255	6.50
66 hogs	180	7.40	1 hogs	500	6.40
20 hogs	199	6.25	2 hogs	320	6.30
2 hogs	300	6.40	18 steers	1350	7.00
97 hogs	190	7.40	5 cows	1048	6.00
51 hogs	186	7.40	1 cow	1130	5.00
17 hogs	222	7.30	1 bull	1320	3.75
5 hogs	236	6.50	1 bull	480	4.00

The range of prices at the local yards for various classes of livestock follows:

Cattle—	
Choice steers	$7.25@7.75
Good steers	6.75@7.00
Medium steers	6.50@6.75
Choice cows	5.50@6.00
Medium cows	4.75@5.2
Heifers	4.00@6.40
Bulls	2.50@4.50
Stags	3.00@5.25
Hogs—	
Light	6.75@7.40
Heavy	5.75@6.40
Sheep—	
Wethers	6.00@7.75
Ewes	4.25@6.55
Lambs	7.00@8.35

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Jan. 27.—Hogs—Receipts, 17,000 market higher. Heavy, $7.40@7.55; light, $7.50@7.50; pigs, $6@7; bulk of sales, $7.40@7.50.

Cattle—Receipts, 6500, market steady. Native steers, $6.25@8.75; cows and heifers, $3.25@7; Western steers, $6@7.75; Texas steers, $5.80@6.50; stockers and feeders, $7.50@7.60.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000, market higher. Yearlings, $8.25@9.25; wethers, $7@8; lambs, $10@10.55.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Hogs—Receipts 50,000, market unchanged. Bulk, $7.20@7.65; light, $6.90@7.55; mixed, $7.15@7.65; heavy, $7.20@7.65; rough, $7.20@7.35; pigs, $5.50@6.45.

Cattle—Receipts 5000, market steady. Native beef steers, $6.20@8.75; Western steers, $6.50@8.15; cows and heifers, $3.10@8.20; calves, $7.75@10.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000, weak. Wethers, $7.40@8.40; lambs, $8.40@10.70.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Raw sugar, steady. Centrifugal, 4.77c; molasses sugar, 4.00c. Refined, steady.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Evaporated apples, dull. Prunes, firm. Peaches, steady.

Hops at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Hops, steady.

FINAL PRICES FIRM

Stock List Hardens on St. Paul Dividend Announcement.

RATE RAISED 1-2 PER CENT

Early Market Weakened by Continued Liquidation and Short Selling With No Important Rally Until Near Close.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Continued heavy liquidation and short selling, the latter probably predominating, added to the further impairment of values today. Wednesday's selling movement was resumed at the outset and save for desultory rallies was maintained almost to the close.

Heaviness again was most pronounced in the railway division, although numerous other stocks of varied descriptions suffered. Coppers and some of the war groups were among the few exceptions. Declines were effective on comparatively small offerings.

The only important event bearing upon prices—the St. Paul dividend, which was increased from 2 to 2½ per cent semi-annually—did not materialize until the final hour, when prices hardened all around.

Oils and other motor groups constituted elements of weakness. Total sales of stocks amounted to 745,000 shares.

Bonds manifested a yielding tendency with considerable activity in Anglo-French 5s at a substantial decline from their recent maximum. Total sales of bonds, par value, were $4,050,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing bid.
Alaska Gold	2,500	24½	24	24¼
Allis-Chalmers	2,000	26½	25¾	26
Am Beet Sugar	.....	.....	.....	65
American Can	26,300	63⅞	61⅝	62½
Am Locomotive	3,900	63½	62⅝	62⅝
Am Sm & Rfg	17,200	102¼	100⅝	101⅝
do pfd	300	116	114¼	115⅝
Am Sugar Rfg	200	113½	113½	113½
Am Tel & Tel	600	127½	127	127
Amer Tobacco	600	203⅝	203	202½
Anaconda Cop	15,700	87¼	85¾	86⅞
Atchison	2,300	103⅝	102	102¼
Baldwin Loco	18,300	108⅞	103⅝	107½
Balt & Ohio	8,100	95	89	89⅝
Bethlehem Steel	.....	.....	.....	460
Br Rapid Tran	200	86½	86½	86⅝
Cal Petroleum	3,500	30⅝	29⅝	30⅝
Canadian	6,900	108⅝	107⅝	108⅝
Central Leather	1,700	53⅞	52½	53
Ches & Ohio	3,800	62½	61⅝	62
Chi, Gr Western	900	12⅞	12⅝	12⅝
Chi, Mil & St P	3,600	96⅝	96⅝	96⅝
Chi & N W	1,000	130¼	130	129⅞
Chi, R I & P Ry	2,300	17½	16⅝	17
Chino Copper	2,100	63½	62⅝	63
Colo F & Iron	5,500	44⅞	43⅞	44½
Crucible Steel	29,800	68	66½	67¼
Den & R G pfd	2,100	19½	19½	18
Distillers' Securities	1,600	45½	44⅝	46
Erie	42,100	37¼	35⅞	36⅞
Gen Electric	500	172	170½	170½
Gr North pfd	2,500	121¼	120¼	121
Gr N Ore ctfs	7,200	45½	42⅝	44¼
Guggenheim Ex	700	22⅝	22½	22⅝
Illinois Central	.....	.....	.....	103
Inter Con Corp	2,500	18⅞	18¼	18½
Inspiration Cop	5,100	45	44⅝	44¼
Inter Harvester	800	110	110	110
Kan City South	2,500	26⅞	26	26½
Lehigh Valley	4,900	76½	75	75⅝
Lehigh & Nash	.....	.....	.....	125
Mex Petroleum	48,900	103	99¼	102¼
Miami Copper	2,400	38	37⅝	37⅝
M K & T pfd	.....	.....	.....	14½
Mo Pacific	200	8½	8⅜	8½
Nat'l Lead	3,900	69⅝	68½	69¼
Nevada Copper	1,600	15⅝	15¼	15¼
N Y Central	1,400	107	105¼	106¼
N Y, N H & H	2,500	71¼	70	71
Norfolk & West	4,300	117¼	115½	116½
North Pacific	4,700	115⅝	112⅞	113
Pacific Mail	600	12⅝	12⅝	12⅝
Pac Tel & Tel	700	40	40	39½
Pennsylvania	3,600	58¼	57⅝	57⅝
Pull Palace Car	12,100	165¼	165	165
Ray Con Copper	5,200	24¼	24	24¼
Reading	7,500	78¼	76⅝	75⅞
Rep Ir & Steel	3,400	51	50	50⅞
South Pacific	1,200	100¼	100	100¼
Southern Ry	4,400	21½	20⅝	20⅝
Studebaker	17,100	162	148	150
Tenn Copper	3,900	57¼	56½	57
Texas Company	22,100	206	200⅞	203¼
Union Pacific	10,500	134⅞	133⅝	134⅞
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	84½
U S Steel	103,000	84	82⅝	83½
do pfd	1,800	118⅞	117⅞	118
Utah Copper	4,200	79¼	78	78⅞
Western Union	1,300	89⅞	89	89¼
West Electric	13,500	67	65⅞	66
Mont Power	200	75	75	74
Gen Motors	300	475	470	465
Wab R pfd	5,100	29½	28¼	28¼
Int M pfd	23,600	81⅞	80¼	81⅞

Total sales for the day, 745,000 shares.

BONDS.

U S ref 2s reg	99¼	North Pac 4s	95¼
U S ref 2s coup	99½	do 3s	64¼
U S 3s reg	101¼	Pac T & T 5s	100⅝
U S 3s coupon	101	Penn con 4s	100¼
U S 4s reg	119⅝	South Pac ref 4s	90⅞
U S 4s coupon	110	do cv 5s	106½
Am Smelts 6s	112½	Union Pac 4s	98
Atchison gen 4s	94½	do cv 4s	98⅞
D & R G ref 5s	98	U S Steel 5s	105
N Y C gen 3½s	115½	Anglo-French 5s	95

Boston Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, Jan. 27.—Closing quotations:

Calumet & Ariz	69½	Old Dom	65
Cal & Hecla	530	Osceola	85½
Cop Range Con	63½	Quincy	89
East Butte Cop	14⅞	Shannon	9¼
Franklin	10	Superior	25
Granby Con	9½	Sup & Bos	52½
Greene