Merchants Exchange Objects CUBE BUTTER IN BETTER DEMAND to 2-Cent Advance.

PROTESTS TO GOVERNMENT

Senators McNary and Chamberlain Are Requested to Urge Passage of Cummins Bill.

Freight raise on grain and grain products Charlotte, East Besten: I each to Bisbee, are to be advanced, beginning February I. Douglas, East Portland, Indianapolis, Omaha, 1919, two cents a hundred pounds over the Pittaburg, Providence, Salt Lake and Taylor. rates now in force, according to notice issued by the United States Railroad Adminintration. The increased rate will affect

Merchants' Exchange Association was local association decided that an energetic storages that reported for December 15 this protest should be made, and President year and last show present holdings of 120,-George A. Westgate appointed R. J. Pater- 883,457 pounds as compared with 82,460,818 creased charges are put Into effect.

reased charges are put into effect.

The committee was also instructed to ire to United States Senators McNary and hamberlain, urging the property of the committee to the committee was also instructed to held at \$1.80 g 1.75. Chamberlain, urging the passage of the Cummins bill, introduced in the Senate on November II by Senator Cummins, of Iswa. This bill puts the rate-making back into the hands of the Interstate Commerce Commission. If the Cummins bill is passed, the Haliroad Administration may initiate rates. Spokane 1,829,383 536,266 but these rates will not become effective. but these rates will not become effective until after investigation and hearing by the

CORN BIDS RAISED FIFTY CENTS Local Offers for Barley Dellar Less Than on Thursday.

Corn was the only firm grain on the local board yesterday, with bids 50 cents higher than on Thursday. Offers for barley were down \$1. Oats bids were un-

Ing. 20; Kansan City, cloudy, light snow, 31;
Omnha, cloudy, 20."

Bradetrect's reports North American clearances this week of 9,175,295 bushels of wheat and 238,894 bushels of corn.

San Francisco reported the grainbag market comparatively inactive and easier, at 17% cents. The embargo on jute will be removed by the Government not later than February 28. The steamer Kengasan Maru Valley timothy, \$27 aper ton; aifaifa, \$27.50; Valley grain hay, \$26; clover, \$36,27; straw, Valley grain hay, \$26; clover, \$26,27; straw, Valle February 28. The steamer Kengasan Maru hims arrived at Scattle with 6000 tons of

Terminal receipts, in cars, were reported by the Merchants' Exchange as fellows: Wheat Barley, Flour, Oats, F

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PORTLAND OFFICIAL FOOD PRICES Weekly Statement for Buyers Issued by Food Administration.

The official commodity price list for the west ending December 31, issued yesterday by Thomas G. Farrell. Assistant Federal Food Administrator for Oregon, follows: Wheat flour, per 244-lb bag...
Wheat flour, bulk, per pound.
Barley flour, bulk, per pound bag.
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Hye flour, bulk, per pound.
Corn flour, bulk, per pound.
Corn flour, bulk, per pound.
Cornmeal, package, 2-lb, pkgs, per pound.
Victory bread, price per loaf, 16-oz.
Coatmeal or rolled oats, 20-oz. pkg, per lb.
Ontmenl or rolled oats, pkg, per pound.
Rice, unbroken, standard quality, per pound.
Sugar, granulated, bulk, per pound.
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Potatoes, white or lrish, per pound.
Potatoes, white or lrish, per peck.
Conlons, per pound.
Potatoes, medium size, 60-70, per lb.
Canned tomatoes, standard grade, 26-oz, No. 2 can
Canned corn, standard grade, 20-oz, No. 2 can

1 grease, 7c; No. 2 grease, 5c; long staple mohair, 50c; short staple mohair, 40c; burry mohair, 15c to 29; dry long-baired goat skins, 25c per pound; dry short-haired goat

skins, See to The each. Hide prices fixed by the hide, leather and tanning section of the War Industries Bureau for the month of January will be the per pound less than those that pre valled during the months of November and December. The price of calfakina will remain unchanged.

Weather Market in Egg Trade-Poultry Is

There was a little better demand for fancy grades of cube butter and holders were not disposed to sell under 60 Sents. It was a weather market for eggs with 70 ents the ruling quotation on ordinary can-lled stock. Some small lots sold lower. out the large receivers would not make

The poultry market was firmer even than before Christmas. Receipts were small.

Local Apple Demand Slow. There was no change in the local apple market. The demand was slow and most of the neck offered was dead ripe. Shipments were 6 cars to New York, 2 each to Boston

Storage Holding of Fish Larger. The monthly report of the Burcau of Mar-kets shows storage holdings of fish on De-cember 15, 1918, as follows: The 191 stornotified of the proposed advance by Charles ages that reported showed total stocks of Quinn, secretary of the Grain Dealers' Na- 121,974,479 pounds of frozen fish, cured tional Association. The members of the herring and mild cured salmon. The 196

director of the division of public services and accounting, objecting to the advance and asking for a hearing before the increased charges are not below that the services are not below the services and accounting, objecting to the advance of the services and accounting, objecting to the advance of the services and accounting to the services and accounting to the services are services and accounting to the services are services as a service of t

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc. Merchants' Exchange, noon session. Northwestern oats and bariey, sacked: Jan. Feb. \$54.00 \$54.50 49.00 \$9.00 50.00 50.00 Oats, No. 2 white feed \$... \$54.00 Barley, standard feed ... \$50.00 Eastern oats and corn, bulk: Oats, No. 3 white ... \$50.00 S5-10, clipped white ... \$51.05 Corn, No. 3 white ... \$62.50 \$61.00 Corn, No. 3 white ... \$62.50 \$61.00 Corn, No. 3 mixed ... \$61.50 \$60.50

weather conditions in the Middle West, as wired from Chicago: "Winnipeg, clear, 10: Minneapolla, cloudy, 21: Chicago, snow-ing, 20: Kansas City, cloudy, light snow, 31: \$0.55@10: graham, \$0.65@2.50; corn meal, 50.55@10: graham, \$0.65@2.50; co

Bairy and Country Produce.

HUTTER — Cubes, extras, 60c; prints, parchment wrappers, extras, box lots, 63c, cartons, 66c; half boxes, %c more; less than half boxes, 1c more; butterfat, No. 1, 67c per pound, station.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, candled, rots and cracks out, 70c; selects, 75c per dozen.

CHLESE—Tiliamock, f. o. b. Tiliamock: Triplets, 35c; Young Americas, 37c; Coosand Curry County: Triplets, f. c. b. Myrtle Point, 35%c.

POLLTRY—Hens, 39c; Springs, 25c; roosters, 15c; ducks, 35c; goese, 30c; turkeys, live, 33c; dressed, 45c. Dairy and Country Produce.

VEAL-Fancy, 208 21c per pound. PORK-Fancy, 18@20c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations.

FRUITS—Oranges, navels, \$3.75@6.00;
I emons, \$5@6.50 per box; bannans, 9@5%o per pound; appies, \$1@3 box; pears, cone year ago.

\$2@2.50 per box; grapes, \$5 per keg; cranberries, \$5 per box; unkleberries, 17%c per boxing grapefruit, \$3.75@7.

VEGETABLES—Tomatoes, \$2.75 per box; cabbage, \$2@2.25 per 100 lbs.; lettuce, \$2.50 Cne week ago.

Retaller pays. Consumer should pay

Wheat flour, per 244-lb bag		\$1.43	\$1.60	\$1,63	
Wheat flour, bulk, per pound bag. Barley flour, per 0 8-18 pound bag. Barley flour, bulk, per pound. Rye flour, bulk, per pound. Corn flour, bulk, per pound.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	.06 1-3	.75	78	1-2
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Prunes, medium size, 60-70, per lb	112 9-3 0	.10	.40	F .17	
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Canned corn standard grade, 20-oz., No. 2 can	.16 1-4 10	.18	.20	21	1-2
Canned, peas, standard gde, 20-oz, No. 2 can	.15 (9)	.16	.20	\$.22	
Canned salmon, tall pink, Alaska, per 16-oz.		17	v	D .25	ē
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No. 1 can	.22 @	.24	.28	30	i
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Evaporated milk, unsweetened, per 16-oz, can Milk, bottled, per quart	.15 g	.16		17	1-2
Butter, creamery, print, per pound	.60	.13	-66	277	
				41	9
Eggs, fresh, per dozen	.70 @	.75	-77	83	
Cheese, American, full cream, cut, pound	-38 I-2 m	39 1-2	.45	9 47	1-2
Lard, pure leaf, balk, 5-15 tins, per pound	92 1 9 6	09 2 4	.34 1-4	15 -40	1-4
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Lard substitute, in tip, per pound			.60	.70	
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Pork chops, per pound	***************************************		.45		
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Mohair and Tallow Markets Are Also on Downgrade.

With the wool, mohair and tallow markets in a very unsettled condition and prices tonding downward, buying prices in the local market have been readjusted accordingly. A new list just issued by the H. F. Norton Company notes the following new prices: Dry long-wool sheep pelts, 25c per pound; artichokes, \$1.00; caulifower, \$3.25 per crate; garilo, 35c per lb. pumpkins, 2c per pound; squash, 2c per pound; beets, \$2 per sack; carrots, \$1.50 per sack; turnips, \$1.75 dozen; sprouts, 15c pound.

POTATOES — Oregon Burbanks, graded, \$1.76 (185; ordinary, \$1.50@1.00; poor, \$1.25; Yakimas, \$2@2.10; sweets, 44.@44c. ONIONS—Oregon, \$1.50@1.75; California browns, \$1.91.50. HIDE AND PELT PRICES DECLINING

ind; medium and short-wool pelts, 15c to

Todd Dry Dock and Construction Corporation

built the finest steel chip building plant on the Pacific Coast.

They gave us four repeat contracts. Two for their buildings at the shipyard at Tacoma, one for extending their plant in Seattle and one for 100 or more houses for their Tacoma employes.

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Hurley-Mason Co.

Gasco Building. Established 1904. @3.25 per crate; peppers, 17%c per pound; celery, 75c0 \$1 per dozen; eggplant, 15%c

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:
SUGAR—Sack basis: Fruit and berry.
19.35; beet, \$9.25; extra C, \$9.15; powdered
in barrels, \$10.25; cabes, in barrels, \$10.45.

NUTS—Walnuts, 27#33c; Brazil nuts, 32c;
filberts, 28c; simonds, 27#23c; peanuts, 17c.
SALT—Half-ground, 190s, \$15.90 per ton;
50a, \$17.25 per ton; dairy, \$25 per ton;
RICE—Unbroken, \$9@11c per pound.
BEANS—Jebbing prices: White, \$4@
10%c; colored, \$20c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 25@40c.

EIGHT LOADS RECEIVED AT YARDS AND TRADE QUIET.

Bulk of Hogs Are Sold at \$17 Prices Unchanged in All Lines.

Bight cars of stock reached the North Portland stockyards yesterday. Business was rather quiet, as usual during the holi-day period, but the market was steady taroughout. The bulk of the bog sales were at \$17. The few head of cattle-offered were mostly of medium grade. Receipts were 129 cattle, 2 calves and 312 hors.

The day's sales were solved to the local of The day's sales were as follows: Prices current at the local yards are as

protest should be made, and President George A. Westgate appointed R. J. Paterson and N. A. Leach a committee to wire to Edward Chambers, director of the division of traffic, and Charles A. Prouty, director of the division of public service and accounting, objecting to the advance and accounting of the control of the division of public service and accounting, objecting to the advance of the division of public service and accounting, objecting to the advance of the division of public service and accounting, objecting to the advance of the division of public service and accounting to the advance of the division of public service and last show present holdings of 120, Prime mixed 120, Medium mixed 16.75 w17.00 Rough heavies 14.75 with the control of the division of traffic, and Charles A. Prouty, director of the division of public service and accounting, objecting to the advance of the division of public service and last show present holdings of 120, Prime mixed 16.75 w17.00 Rough heavies 14.75 with the control of the division of public service and last show present holdings of 120, Prime mixed 16.75 w17.00 Rough heavies 14.75 with the control of the division of traffic, and Charles A. Prouty, director of the division of public service and accounting to the division of public service and the control of the division of public service and accounting to the division of public service and the control of the division of public service and the control of the division of public service and the control of the division of public service and the control of the division of public service and the control of the division of public service and the control of the division of public service and the control of the division of public service and the control of the di

> Chicago Livestock Market.
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> CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—(United States Burreau of Markets.)—Hogs—Receipts, 27,000, market, steady to strong with yesterday's best time. Bulk of saies, \$17,000,17.50; butchers, \$17.50 @17.53; light, \$18.50 @17.50; packing, \$16.75 @17.60; throwouts, \$15.50 @16.75; pigs, good to choice, \$13.50 @15.70; Cattle—Receipts, 6000, beef and butcher cattle steady to 15c higher. Caives, steady, best feeders and others slow to lower. Beef cattle, good, choice and prime. \$15.90 @19.75; common and medium, \$9.30 @19.50; butcher stock, cows and helfers, \$7.85 @14.50; canners and cutters, \$6.85 @7.83; stockers and feeders, good, choice and fancy, \$10.50 @18.75; inferior, common and medium. \$7.25 @16.50; veal caives, good and choice, \$149.15. Chicago Livestock Market.

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Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; fat lambs and yearlings, fully 25c to 50c higher. Fat sheep, opening slow. Feeder trade quiet lambs, choice and prime, \$15.50 pt.55; medium and good, \$14.25@15.50; culls, \$10.50 @15; ewes, choice and prime, \$0.50@10; medium and good, \$5.50@9.50; culls, \$4.50 @7.25. 60.50 mediur 50.50 @7.25. Omnha Livestock Market.

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Dec. 27.—Hogs—Receipts, 10,500, 10c to 15c higher. Heavy, \$17 @17.50; mixed, \$17.20@17.30; light, \$16.85@17.40; pigs, \$10.00 19; buik of saics, \$17.15@17.40.

Cattle—Receipts, 2000, 15c to 25c higher. Native steers, \$11.50@18.50; cows and helfers, \$8.50@11.75; range cows and helfers, \$8.50@11.75; range cows and helfers, \$6.75@11; canives, \$5@7; stockers and feeders, \$6.50@15; calves, \$5@13.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 3800, 25c higher, Cults, \$4.50@7.50; wethers, \$10@11.50; ewes, \$7.50@91.50; yearlings, \$11.912.

Brissels sprouts, \$2.50 \$4.50; oranges, \$4

Fruits—Lemons, \$2.50 \$4.50; oranges, \$4

\$5.50; bananus, 7@Sc; pineappies, \$4.00 \$5.00; appies, Belleflowers, \$1.30 \$1.75, Splixenberg, \$2.50 \$2.50; grapefruit, \$2.50 \$3.50; pears, Bartietts, \$i; grapes, Tokaya, Emperora, and Verdels, \$1.50 \$2.20; avacadoes, \$5.07; peralmmons, \$1.00 \$2.50; cranberries, \$5.50 \$75.00; quinces, \$966 \$31.15; casabas, 50c \$1.00.

Recoipts—Flour, 2101 quarters; barley, 2866 centais; beans, 515 sacks; potatoes, 3964 \$30.00; hay, 10 tons; hides, 274; wine, 68,720 gallons.

SLIGHTLY LOWER PRICES ARE QUOTED THIS WEEK.

Potatoes Not Helped by Sharp Decrease in Shipments-California Onions Clean Up.

10%c; colored, \$9.9c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 25%40c.

Provisions.

Local jobbing quotations:

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 40%40%c; standard, ard, 39%33%c; akined, none; picnie, 27c; compound, 23%c.

LARD—Tierce basis, standard, pure, 28%c; compound, 23%c.

BACON—Fancy, 52%54c; standard, 49%52c; choice, 36%46c.

DRY SALT—Short, clear backs, 28%34c.

Hides and Peits.

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Hides and up, 10c; No. 2 saited buils, 30 pounds and up, 11c; No. 2 saited buils, 30 pounds and up, 11c; No. 2 saited buils, 50 pounds and up, 11c; No. 2 saited buils, 50 pounds and up, 11c; No. 2 saited buils, 50 pounds and up, 10c; No. 1 green buils, 50 pounds and up, 10c; No. 1 green buils, 50 pounds and up, 8c; No. 1 green or saited caif skins up to 15 pounds, 27%c; No. 1 green or saited caif skins up to 15 pounds, 27%c; No. 1 green or saited caif skins up to 15 pounds, 27%c; No. 2 green or saited kip skins, 15 to 30 pounds, 15c; No. 2 green or saited kip skins, 15 to 30 pounds, 28c; dry sait stags or buils, 12c; PellTs—Dry long-wool pelts, per pound, 25c; dry short-wool pelts,

TURNOVER IS LARGEST FOR May 88 % ANY DAY THIS YEAR.

New Minimum Prices Are Established-Stock Recovery Aided by Short Covering.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27,-Covering of sher contracts was a factor of considerable imoriance in today's stock market, prices to general recovering at the first signs of sup-port, though manifesting some irregularity port, though manifesting some irregularity on profit-taking towards the close. Among the few conspicuous exceptions to the better trend were St. Paul, common and preferred, and some of the secondary coalers and several of the other rails. Far more active relatively than stocks was the bond market, the turnover in that quarter aggregating probably the largest total of any session this year. Liberty bonds, with the fourth 4 is at the low record of \$6.20 and the first and second 4s at new minimums of \$2.80 and \$82.50, respectively, contributed mainly to the extensive deatings.

ngs.
The early rally embraced utilities, includ-The early raily embraced utilities, including local tractions, but gains in that quarter were not long maintained. Coppers size fell back on reports of additional pricutting in affiliated metals.

Shippings, cils, motors and equipments were the sustaining features. United States Steel ended at a slight gain, after losing half a point. Sales amounted to 725,000 shares.

Aside from the beaviness of the liberty group, the bond market lacked feature, for-eign issues holding firm. Fotal sales, par-value, asgregated \$52.250,000. Old United States registered 4s lost % per cent on CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Sales, High, Low. 46 9 6 7 6 6 1 9 6

Prices Current on Eggs. Vegetables, Fresh Fruits. Etc., at Bay City.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Butter, 6745
851/6.

Engs.—Fresh extras, 75c; fresh extra puliets, 71c.

Cheese.—Now firsts and Young America, not quoted.

Pouliry—Hens. 534/34c; young roosters, 34c; brollern, 42/34c.

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*Bid. Boston Mining Stocks. Boston Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Closing quotations:
Allouez. 42 | North Butte. 1
Ariz Commercial 12 | Old Dominion 3
Cal & Arizona. 6112 | Oscola 4
Cal & Hecia. 425 | Superior.
Centennial 1218 Sup & Bos Mn.
Cop R Coa Co. 40% Shannon Ush Con
Franklin 23 | Winona 9
Franklin 23 | Winona 9
Franklin 25 | Winona 9
Franklin 27 | Mohawk 5112 | Canby Con 7

Money, Exchange, Etc. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Mercantile paper inchanged, Sterling 60-day bills, unchanged; demand, 4.7575; cables, \$4.7655; France, demand, 4.575; cables 5.45; guilders, unchanged; lire, wobanged. mchanged.

Mexican dollars, unchanged.

Time loans firmer, 60 days, 90 days, six nonths, 54 654 per cent.

Call money, unchanged.

LONDON, Dec. 27 .- Money and discount

New York Dairy Produce, NEW YORK. Dec. 27.—Butter easier. Creamery higher than extras, 68%c; extras, 68@68%c; firsts, 63% 668c. Egge higher. Fresh-gathered extras, 67 668c; fresh-gathered regular packed extra first, 65@666c; fresh-gathered firsts, 65 Cheese higher. State whole-milk flats, esh specials, 37@37½c; average run, 33½

Chicago Dulry Produce. CHICAGO. Dec. 27.—Butter, unsettled. Creamery, 55@66c. Eggs. higher. Heccapie, 580 cases; firsts, 62% 940c; ordinary firsts, 59@60c; at mark, cases included, 60@62c.

Hops at New York, NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Hops firm: state, nedium to choice, 1918, 26-9-37c; 1917, 18-6 0c; Pacific Coast, 1918, 24-9-40c; 1917, 20 Dried Fruit at New York.

Prunes firm, awaiting offers. Peaches, nominal. Cotton Market, NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Cotton, spot quiet middling, 32.30c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Evaporated apple

New York Sugar Market, NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Sugar, unchanged DULUTH, Dec. 27.-Linseed, \$3.54.

upite of continued decrease of whipments until they totaled only 1807 cars in comparison with 2180 the previous week, prices have not stiffened perceptibly in any part of the country. They are still around \$10.123, sacked, per hundred in the producing sections for properly graded stock and \$1,30 42.50 per hundred in the producing sections for properly graded stock and \$1,30 42.50 per hundred in the producing sections for properly graded stock and \$1,30 42.50 per hundred in the consuming market seconding to the distance shipped. When the stock is the still produce at Fort Worth that were \$26,20.5 for Colorado and Idaho stock are now \$1,25,22. For the week California shipped 172 cars. Washington 40, Oregon 31 and Idaho 83, & decrease of \$2 cars from the previous week. Onion values have been steady at all points. The variable condition of the winder of quotations the producing sections are reported to increase after the holidays are vide of \$1.55. The period has arrived when Oregon growers in the consument total only 223 cars for the past week, as compared with 385 the week before. That was much heavier than a year ago, howers and total only 223 cars for the past week, as compared with 385 the week before. That was much heavier than a year ago, howers, and the corresponding period. The corresponding period. The corresponding period was irregular. On the bank of the peak beans in bulk, recleaned bank, held at \$1.50 08.5 per hundred, cash to growers, in New York. Sacked recleaned stock in consuming markets ranged steady at \$10.50. California small whites advanced to \$2.50.85.00, sacked, cash to growers, in New York. Sacked recleaned stock in consuming markets ranged steady at \$10.50. California small whites advanced to \$2.50.85.00, sacked, cash to growers, in School and \$12.51.230 in ronauming markets ranged steady at \$10.50. California small whites advanced to \$2.50.85.00, sacked, cash to growers, in School and \$1.50.00. California small whites advanced to \$2.50.85.00, sacked, cash to growers, in School and \$1.50.0 overnight jump of 7%c. Prices closed unsettled, varying from the same as yesterday's finish to 6%c hisber with January \$1.12% \$0.142% and May \$1.36% \$1.36%. Oats gained % \$2%c and provisions 10c to \$1. All deliveries of corn, except May, rose to the highest prices yet this season. December led in point of strength but business in that menth was not large. The fact that receipts were even more scanty than has recently been the case gave the bulls a decided advantage. On the bulge, however, country offerings became somewhat more liberal, and considerable realising by longs here took place. Nevertheless, December, unlike the other menths, held most of its advance.

Oats derived strength from corn. Gains were checked, though, by assertions that exporters were out of the market.

Gossip that the February price of hogs would be the same as for January helped to lift provisions.

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Leading futures ranged as follows:
Open. High. Low. Close. OATS Jan.42.60 42.60 RIBS 23.10 Cash prices were as follows:

0 w 71c, Ryc-No. 2, \$1.62 g 1.62 g. Barley-90c g \$1.03. Timothy \$4.8.00 g 11.00. Clover-Nominal. Pork-Nominal. Lard-\$23.90. Ribs-Nominal.

Minneapolis Grain Market. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 27.—Burley, 36@95c. Plax, \$5.54 g.56.

Grain at San Francisco SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.-Flour, \$11.43 per harrel.

Grain—Wheat. Government price, \$2.20 per bushel; barloy, \$2.15@2.20; oats, white feed, nominal; corn. California yellow, \$2.85. Hay—Wheat and wheat and oat, \$23@27, tame oat, \$22@24; barley, \$17@19; altalia, \$15@19; barley straw, 50@80c.

Meals—Alfalfa, \$36; coccanut, neminal.

HOLIDAY QUIET IN WOOL MARKET Interest Centers Entirely in Government Auction. BOSTON, Dec. 27 .- The Commercial Bul-

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—The Commercial Bul-letin tomorrow will say:
"Interest centers in the wool auctions al-most exclusively and with the intervantion of the holiday, little business has been done, allotments from the wool distributor's effice having been timed. The quantity of wool to be offered at the next sales will be about the same as at the preceding series. the same as at the preceding series, the only practical difference being that the offerings will consist of wools which may be expected to meet the demand as expressed at the last sales.

"The foreign markets have chaused little

"The foreign markets have changed little during the week and while manufacturers are looking the market over for sampling purposes and to see what can be done for next season, the goods markets are more or less as they were a week ago. The demand for mohair has been dull."
California—Northern, \$1.52@1.53; middle county, \$1.43@1.45; southern, \$1.50@1.53;
Cregon—Eastern No. 1 staple, \$1.57@1.58;
Eastern clothing, \$1.53@1.40; vailey No. 1,
\$1.40@1.42.
Territory—Fine staple, \$1.58@1.60; haif

**I.40@1.42. Territors.—Fine staple, \$1.58@1.60; half blood combing, \$1.62@1.65; three-claims blood combing, \$1.25@1.36; fine clothing, \$1.25@1.36; fine medium clothing, \$1.40@1.53; fine medium clothing, \$1.40@1.43. Pulled extra, \$1.58@1.60; AA, \$1.56@1.55; A supers, \$1.42@1.43. Mohair.—Domestic quotations; Best combing, 75@50c; best carding, 70@75c.

Opening Prices of Thursday Too High to Attract Buyers.

Attract Buyers.

NEW TORK, Dec. 27.—There was a decline of approximately 1 cent a pound in 11853.

1884 the market for coffee futures here today.
Local brokers said that the opening prices of yesterday had evidently been too high to 254 attract buyers and that trade interesis, who were trying to hedge against coffee affoat or prospective purchases in Brazil, found very little demand around the ring today. The opening was unchanged to 45 points 1054 to 100 points below last night's closing figures during the day, with May touching 16.60c. July 16.36c and September 16.29c. The close was at about the lowest of the day, showing a net loss of 75 to 85 points. Closing bids: May, 16.55c; July, 16.36c; 1854 the local apot market was reported entirely nominal at 17%c for Rio 7s and 22c to 22 bc for Santos were reported a shude lower, including 4s at 21.10c to 21.25c, American credits.

The official cables reported an advance

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The official cables reported an advance of 200 reis in the Rio market. Santos apots were unchanged and the early cables reported an advance of 50 to 100 reis in futures, but was followed by later reports ahowing a decline of 75 to 175 reis. Receipts at the two Brazilian ports were \$4,000.

READJUSTMENT FAR FROM COMPLETED Buyers Hold Back Until Future Outlook Is Clearer,

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Dun's Review tomorrow will say;
A year of unexampled achievements nears
its ending with the process of economic readjustment accentuating the seasonal repression of business activities. Recognition
that the change to a peace basis, although
continuing steadily since early November,
is yet far from completed, intensifies the
hesitation incidental to inventorying and
other annual accounting, and the prevailing
disposition is to defer importat engagements
until the future outlook is clearer. That
the question of prices is one of increasing
significance there is abundant evidence, and
many buyers are prompted to hold commitments within the closest limits through
the belief that yielding tendencies lately developing in some leading commodities will NEW YORK, Dec. 27 .- Dun's Review tocloping in some leading commodities will siden in their scope with the return of

widen in their scope with the return of free markets.

Yet the further removal, after January 1 of the arbitrary regulations and restrictions, affecting preduction, distribution and prices, will make possible the conducting of operations along more natural lines and there is confident expectation that the revival of regular domestic and foreign commerce, once it fairly commences, will make gratifying progress.

Weekly bank clearings were \$5,541,671,044

Naval Stores. Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH. Ga., Dec. 27.—Turpentine firm, 65%c; sales, 177; receipts, 366; shipments, 22; stock, 30,424.
Rosin strady. Sales 752; receipts, 2342; shipments, none; stock, 77,825. Quote: B, D, E, F, G and H. \$13,10\$; 13,20; I, 13,65; K, \$15,70; M, \$16,15; N, \$16,20; WG, \$16,45; WW, \$16,75.

Metal Markets, NEW YORK, Dec. 27,—Lead weak, Spot (fered at 6.05c, Spotter easy, Spot offered at Sc.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

Births.

DAVIDSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Aifred Davidson, 120 Otts, December 20, a son.
WHITLOW—To Mr. and Mrs. William D.
Whitlow, 1597 Peninsula avenue, December 10, a daughter.
WILSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilson, 311 Sacramento, December 16, a daughter. SUMMERS—To Mr. and Mrs. Charles ummers, 144 North Eighteenth, December 14. 2 daughter.

HOLTGREVE—To Mr. and Mrs. Walter
Holtgrave, 2827 East Fifty-second, December 21. a daughter.
LYBARGER—To Mr. and Mrs. George E.
Lybarger, 174 Thirteenth, December 13. a Lybarger, 174 Thirteenth, December 13, a daughter.
LAIRD-To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd A. Laird.
292 Tenth, December 19, a son.
HOLMES-To Mr. and Mrs. Frank H.
Holmes, East Eighth and Couch, September 14, a son.
CURLITTO-To Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. Curlitto, 184 Mill, December 24, a daughter.
HANLEY-To Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hanioy,

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Vancouver Marringe Licenses.

FIELDS-PETUTT — John Field. 49. of Trawfordsville. Or., and Mrs. Elizabeth J. Vattit. 50. of Hoquiam, Wash.

BURT-HORNE—Thomas P. Burt. 65. of Ilaiskanie. Or., and Mrs. Margaret Horne, 60. of Clatskanie. Or.

THOMAS-JOHNSON — John M. Thomas, 11. of Portland, and La Rose V. Johnson, 13. of Abbany. Or. II. of Portland, and La Rose V. Johnson, 18, of Albany Or. WENZEK-CHURCH—Charles Wenzek, 29, 57 Highwood, Mont., and Ethel R. Church, 18, of Camas, Wash.

MYERDHERKS-KOETHE—John Myerdierks, 22, of Ridgefield, Wash, and Ross Keethe, 18, of Ridgefield, Wash, and Ross Keethe, 18, of Ridgefield, Wash, and Ross Millier, MOON—Erra D. Miller, 48, of Portland, and Anna D. Moon, 30, of Portland. nd. ENVART-ENVART-Ross Enyart, 40, of briland, and Bersie Enyart, 27, of Portland.
PARIS-PREIS—James Paris, 31, of Portland, and Hermine Preis, 24, of Portland M LAUGHLIN - STEVENS — Edward Mc Laughlin, legal, of Silverton, Or., and Mrs Martha Ella Stevens, legal, of Portland.

COFFEE FUTURES CLOSE AT DECLINE Marshal Foch Sends Soldiers to

Watch German Camp. ZURICH, Dec. 27 .- (Havas.) -- A battalion of infantry has occupied Manuheim by order of Marshal Foch in or-der to watch the prison camp near there of the state are interested in good der to watch the prison camp hear there where 10,000 allied prisoners await liberation, according to the Badische Landes Zeltung. The paper adds that this step was taken because of had treatment of prisoners, several of whom were murdered.

Of the state are interested in good roads.

Legislative aid will be sought next month after the adoption of a working programme at the reconstruction congress in January. The meeting will end tomorrow

were murdered. Mannheim is within the neutral zone ast of the Rhine outlined by the terms of the armistice.

Ex-Royalty Offered Refuge.

BERNE, Thursday, Dec. 26 .- Most of the members of the former Austrian toyal house, who have remained in Austria, are reported to have sought safey in neutral legations in Vienna. The Argentinian and Chileau legations have offered hospitality to a dozen former Archdukes and Archduchesses.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 27. --PORTLAND. Or. Dec. 27.—Maximum temperature, 34 degrees: minimum temperature, 34 degrees. Biver roading, 5 A. M., 1.8 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.1 foot fall. Total rainfall G P. M. to 5 P. M.), none total rainfall since September 1, 1918, 12-45 inches; normal rainfall since September 1, 18.38 inches; deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 18.38 inches; deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1918, 5.93 inches. Sunrisc. Some months ago Mr. Lyons resigned as secretary of the Tacoma Central Labor Council to help solve the housing ones, 12:42 P. M. Barometer (reduced sea level), 5 P. M., 30.27 inches. Relative humidity at noon, 77 per cent.

THE WEATHER.

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TA. M. today. *P. M. report of preceding

FORECASTS. inds.

Oregon—Rain west, rain or snow east porton; increasing southeasterly winds.

Washington—Rain west, rain or snow and it so cold east portion; fresh southerly Washington—Rain west, rain or snow and tot so cold east portion; fresh southerly tinds.

Idaho—Fair south, rain or snow and not so cold north portion.

Southwest storm warnings 6:40 P. M. nouth of Columbia River.

EDWARD L. WELLS, Metoorologist.

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RECONSTRUCTION CONGRESS IN SESSION AT TACOMA.

Programme of Land Development and Employment Will Be Laid Before Legislature.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 27 .- (Special.) -Preliminary work on a statewide reonstruction programme was begun today by delegates from various parts of the state, meeting in Tucoma. The

problems are political, economic and social, arising from the readjustment from a war to a peace basis. About 10 delegates are in attendance, Good reads, logged-off land developnent, social welfare and employment

construction congress to be held about January 10 at a city to be selected. The purpose of the present meeting is coming congress. A call for the comasked to name its delegates. Representatives here for the con-

ference this morning discussed in-formally the questions to be taken up at the later meetings. Most of the Scattle delegates, among whom was Mayor Hanson, are interested in a land gates see a big problem in secial wel-fure, while delegates from other parts

LABOR OFFICIAL IS CHOSEN J. H. Lyons, of Tacoma, to Super-

intend Railway Transportation. TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 27 .- (Special.) Joseph H. Lyons, widely known among labor union men of the Coast, has been appointed superintendent of transportation on the municipal railway. Mr. Lyons will assume his new duties January 1, when the city takes over the operation of its own lines from the Tacoma Railway & Power Company, which has been operating them-ever since they were put into use. Mr. Lyons will be paid \$180 a month at

Extra Dividend Voted. CLEVELAND, Dec. 27 .- Directors of the American Shipbuilding Company voted in favor of a 2% per cent extra lividend on the common stock, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 1% per cent. The 4 per cent divi-dend is payable in cash on February l next to stockholders of record on January 15.

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