

FRONT STREET IS AFTER BANANA TRUST

Front street is after the banana trust again but front street does not want the banana trust to know it. In the meantime the wholesale produce men are going to buy bananas from the trust and intend to pay the aforesaid trust whatever price it asks. The produce trade seems quite willing to allow some one else to do the trust-busting act for it had some experience with this a few years ago when San Francisco merchants thought they were going to continue the use of Hawaiian fruit and the trust said no. The result was that when the Hawaiian fruit arrived the banana trust had a number of cars of excellent stock which it sold at 50c a bunch.

At the moment there seems a limit to the low level of potato market prices. Values are going down here every day and dealers are not offering over 50c for best stock except in a very few instances. This, too, in view of the steady tone in the south. The trade here says that the improvement in California weather and will result in a surplus when shipments begin to come from here. At this time there is practically no local potato shipping.

There is practically no business in the local egg market at this time. The market remains nominal at \$2.50 as the buying price at country shipping points, practically no orders are being received from the south for supplies. Eastern eggs are again arriving in both San Francisco and Los Angeles, and they can be laid down at a lower figure than Oregon, practically all the business is going that way. In the meantime the trade here is on the fence as to whether to sell or to buy, which, however, cannot be obtained at the moment. Therefore no business.

The local egg market is down to 25c for best stock, except in a very few instances. The trade has been buying in larger lots up to this time, but with the range of values as retailers are again buying a few cases at a time. Chicken market still shows increased activity, but prices are rather low. Creamery butter market is steady to firm, with several city makers claiming actual quotable at \$2 a dozen. Supplies of out side butter are so heavy because some of the dealers have put the price on such a low level that trade will be forced.

Somehow more liberal supplies of dressed veal are noted in the market and receivers say it is the quality is better and the trade is likely to get the benefit of it. Dressed hogs are in good supply, with market value unchanged at 7c for best block stock. A fair supply of gilted smelt was reported in this morning from the Columbia. Quality is better and the trade is likely to get the benefit of it. Price remains at 6c.

Because of the recent cold snap which had it impossible to get any local storage, local supplies along the whole district are quite small and prices are firmer and in some instances Jack rabbits are coming in large lots from eastern Oregon and are in fine shape for market.

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RECOVERY MADE NEAR CLOSING WESTOCK UP ON COMPETITION

Wheat Market Weak Most of the Day but Prices Advance at Close. Better Demand Sends Hogs, Cattle and Sheep Higher in the Local Yards.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—After an opening which sent prices about 1/2c lower and for while after was weak with a lower range, the wheat market began to fluctuate irregularly, but kept within a certain limit most of the day. Just previous to the close there was a sharp advance which sent the price of May back to last night's final figures, or 1/2c above the initial price today. There was a like movement in July toward the end of the day, but final figures today were 1/4c under those of yesterday.

Foreign markets and a lack of export demand were the principal causes for today's early falling and loss in value. Liverpool started with May at 7 1/2d and closed at 7 1/4d, a net loss since the previous closing of 1/4c. Corn market opened with a loss of 1/4c in quotations, but the market developed strength soon after opening and values rose to the points for the day. Corn closed with a gain of 1/4c in both the May and July. Oats was a fraction up to a fraction down at the opening, but considerable strength was developed early in the trading, and as in the corn pit, the opening values were the lowest for the day. Oats closed with May at 1 1/4c and July at 1 1/4c, a net gain of 1/4c for the former. Provisions started well, but lack of support and profit-taking soon resulted in a lower range of values. At the close of the market today the large run of hogs in the yards had forced prices 1/2c lower, with little interest in the trading by packers.

Improved though the cattle market a much improved tone is today ruling, according to Assistant Manager Gould this morning. "The market is firmer," he says, "and the limited arrivals of hogs today as a result of the advance in the price of sheep today on account of the limited arrivals of late and the sharp increase in demand. Best lambs are now firmly quoted at \$5.00 and \$5.00, with some ewes at \$5.00 and \$5.00. A year ago this date all lines were firm, though prices did not show any change."

Official yard values today: Hogs—Best stuff, \$5.35@5.50; stockers and China fats, \$4.50@5.00; Cattle—Best eastern Oregon steers, \$4.35@4.50; cows and heifers, \$3.35@3.50; bulls, \$2.00. Horses—Best western, \$5.75@6.00; lambs, \$5.00@6.25; wethers, \$5.00@5.50.

Stock Market Holds With Low Money Rate. STOCK MARKET GAINS. Sugar, 10c; People's Gas, 10c; Erie, 10c; Mo. Pacific, 10c; Union Pacific, 10c; N. Y. Central, 10c; G. North, 10c.

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PRICE OF PRODUCE IN SAN FRANCISCO

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Feb. 6.—Wheat—No. 1 California club, per cental, \$1.60@1.62 1/2; white milling club, \$1.67 1/2@1.70; white Australian, \$1.72 1/2@1.75; northern bluestem, \$1.70@1.72 1/2; northern club, \$1.62 1/2@1.65; inferior grades, \$1.40@1.55.

Portland Livestock Run. Today Hogs, Cattle, Sheep. 1907 86 84 100 1908 86 84 100 1908 137 86 117

Portland Union Stockyards, Feb. 6.—There is a firmer tone in all livestock values today and prices are showing spirited advances. A rise ranging from 10c to 25c is shown in hogs, 25c to 50c in cattle and 25c to 50c in the various lines of sheep.

Continued small arrivals have caused a complete reversal of feeling in the entire market. The coming of Swartzkopf & Sulzberger, the largest independent packing firm in the world, into this market by the purchase of the Zimmerman plant, has been a wonderful aid to conditions and values.

At this time there is a genuine demand for all kinds of livestock—and from present indications the demand will continue to grow until Portland's livestock transactions will entitle it to a place near the head of the line among American packing centers.

Sharp Advance in Sheep, Too. There was an advance of 25c to 50c in the price of sheep today on account of the limited arrivals of late and the sharp increase in demand. Best lambs are now firmly quoted at \$5.00 and \$5.00, with some ewes at \$5.00 and \$5.00.

Spokane Mining Exchange. (Furnished by Downing-Hopkins Co., Members Spokane Mining Exchange.) Spokane, Wash., Feb. 6.—Official quotations:

Table with columns Bid, Ask, and various mining stock prices like Ajax, Alameda, Alhambra, etc.

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One-half mile west of Wellside Station on the S. P. R. R. in Benton county, Or. 1600 acres in rich bottom and rolling hills. Balance of hill land, with scattering oak, ash and fir timber; the bulk of it can be cultivated when cleared. A fence ranges around into three divisions by county roads; 1 1/2-story (new) house, with bath, hot and cold water, large spring supplies the house and two large barns from a large storage tank of brick and cement of 3,000 gallons, with abundant feed and fuel.

1600 Acres

In Benton county, Or.; 325 acres under plow, 375 acres slashed and seeded down to clover and timothy; balance of the land is most all good saw timber and pines; enough to pay for the farm. The place is all under fence, is well watered by streams and springs. Two-story house, 10 rooms, 6x100 ft., with 18-foot posts; large hog and goat house; machine sheds and tool house. This land can all be cultivated when cleared; no waste land on place; good soil; half mile to school; telephone and R. F. D. Price \$30 per acre.

320-Acre Farm

In Benton county, Or., of good land; 217 acres in most all good saw timber and waste land on this farm; well watered; on good roads; 250 acres in cultivation and the balance in timber of oak and ash. A fence ranges around the place; barns and outbuildings, some bearing orchard. We consider this one among the best farms in Oregon. Price, \$30 per acre.

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NICHOL'S ADDITION TO GARDEN HOME

This tract of land is about 5 miles southwest of the courthouse. The Oregon Electric railroad runs through the tract and has station on the land. Terms \$25 per cent cash, interest 6 per cent. Platted in tracts of 1 1/4 to 3 acres, \$200 to \$250 per acre.

WEATHER REPORT

Storm warnings were ordered displayed at 10:45 a. m. yesterday at the stations in this district. The following maximum wind velocities occurred: North, 40; heavy rain in western Oregon, western Washington and extreme northwestern California. The disturbance over the middle southern valley has advanced northeastward to the lake region. This storm has caused general precipitation nearly everywhere east of the Mississippi river. In the northern states the precipitation was in the form of snow, while in the southern states, Wash. rain. It is much warmer in the middle Atlantic and New England states and correspondingly cooler in the Mississippi and Missouri valleys. The temperature in the north Pacific states is from 10 to 25 degrees above normal.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Jessie B. Horton to Frank Amato, lots 1 and 2, block 1, Hillside, \$4,000. Arleta Land company to Elsie Arleta, large lot 13, block 2, Luster, lot 13, block 2, \$100.

Frank and Edith E. Capell to William G. Gannon, lot 11, block 6, City View Park, \$2,000. Cynthia Cliff to Salome H. Griswold, lot 14, block 8, East Portland, \$1,000.

George and Mary E. Shale to Mrs. L. Z. Adams, lot 20, block 2, Myrtle, \$1,000. Hibernia Savings and Loan Co. to M. Cooper, lot 3, block 3, Swan addition, \$200.

Edward Hitz, lot 11, block 2, Rockwood Park, \$750. Ella and A. P. Van Liew to Fred and Mrs. K. W. Van Liew, block 36, Irvington Park, \$1,000.

James and Isabel Elliott to Fred Jenkinson, lot 8, block 1, Tremont, \$1,000. Florence L. and William J. Day to Selma Anderson, lot 25, block 23, Tremont, \$1,000.

Wedding cards—the best. 100 for \$5. Alvin S. Hawk, 144 3d st. Telephone and florists for flowers of all kinds. 123 1/2 st.

Clarke Bros., Florists—Fine flowers and floral designs. 288 Morrison st. Full dress suits for rent, all sizes. Unique Tailoring Co., 309 Stark st.

Deaths. SHAW—February 5, Benjamin F. Shaw, 1406 Rodacy, age 75; pulmonary hemorrhage. SMITH—February 3, W. F. Smith, 148 East Sixth, age 68; valvular disease of heart.

FUNERAL NOTICES. REGNER—At her late residence, 1073 East 25th street, Feb. 6, 1908. Hattie Regner, aged 74 years, wife of W. J. Cincinnati, Ohio. Burial in the R. F. D. Burial home, corner of East Alder and East Sixth streets, today, 11:30 a. m. Interment will take place at Kelpo, Wash.