TODAY'S MARKETS

Butter Market Is Still Badly Mixed but the Better Grades Are Moving Off More Readily—Supplies Still Heavy

EGG MARKET IS LOWER AGAIN

Prices Dropping Because of the Larger Supplies—Quality Is Good.

Front street features:
Dressed meats unusually firm.
Smelt run is improving.
Halibut market is lower.
Eggs are tending downward.
Chicken market is rather stiff.
Tangerines beat Jap oranges.
Several cars bananas due.
Apple movement to market larger.
Creamery butter is holding steady.

Egg Market Tending Downward.

While a local paper, according to the trade, is trying to depress the egg market materially, the general tendency of the market has been downward for some time, and no sales were reported along Front street this morning over 24c. This was the general figure asked, although the trade was talking of 23c. No sales, however, could be confirmed at this figure. All day yesterday the egg market ruled between 24@25c, with most of the sales at the lower figure. Receipts of eggs at this time are quite liberal, and if the movement continues for any great length of time it will likely cause the market to touch as low as 20c within a short time. This has been predicted by this paper for some time. The quality of the eggs now arriving is quite good, this showing that country shippers themselves do not believe the market will hold up and are rushing their supplies to Portland with all possible speed. They are not holding eggs a minute longer than necessary. There was a slight demand from the north during the past 24 hours, but prices offered there were no higher than ruling here because of the increase in home stocks.

Chicken Market Is Stiff.

There is a very stiff feeling in the Front street poultry market at the moment. Supplies are quite small, but while the demand is not very badly excited, some of the dealers have been forced to pay a fractional advance, because they wanted fresh supplies. However, most of the larger dealers are buying practically all their poultry from the eastern dealers, the best quality of stock being offered them at 15@16c a pound dressed. One Front street receiver was trying to hold the trade up for 16c a pound for live local birds, but the trade will not pay it.

This holding up process always results in breaking local market values.

Dressed Meats Unusually Firm.

While receipts of dressed meats are quite fair, demand is increasing at a lively pace, and a fractional advance is shown in values. Even the hog market has a better tone along the street, some of the best dressed stock moving as high as 7½c a pound. For dressed veal the demand is sufficiently heavy to hold the best quality stiff at 9½c, with talk of some dealers asking an advance over this. This, however, cannot be confirmed.

Smelt Run Is Larger.

The run of Columbia river smelt is reported as increasing by lower river fishers. Gillnet men sent larger supplies to this market last night, and this morning's arrivals were quite fair. The quality is improving again, but the price has dropped to 6c a pound.

On account of the much heavier arrivals, lower prices are ruling on halibut. For the past season the price of this fish has been unusually high because of the limited supplies, but the trade now anticipates a lower range for the immediate future. Today's price dropped to 8c a pound.

"Receipts of steelheads and chinook salmon from the Columbia are quite fair," says C. J. B. Malarkey, a local handler. "The market, however, is still very firm, with chinooks at 12½c and steelheads at 12c a pound."

Brief Notes of the Trade.

Tangerines are fast taking the place of the Japanese orange because the former is better value because of the fumigation of the foreign fruit. Price on the California fruit down to $1.50 a box.

Several cars of bananas are scheduled to arrive during the 24 hours.

Some very choice egg plant is again shown from southern California and sells at 20c a pound.

Onion market is again weaker with no sales reported on the street above $3.

Front street sells at the following prices. Prices paid shippers are less regular commissions:

Grain, Flour and Feed.

GRAIN BAGS—Calcutta, 9c; large lots; small lots, 9½c.

WHEAT — Track prices—Club, 82c; red Russian, 80c; bluestem, 84c; valley, 82c.

CORN—Whole, $32; cracked, $33 ton.

BARLEY—New—Feed, $26 per ton; rolled $29@31; brewing, $29.

RYE—$1.55 per cwt.

OATS—New—Producers' price—No. 1 white $27 per ton; gray, $26@26.50.

FLOUR—Eastern Oregon patents, $4.95; straights, $4.50; exports, $3.90; valley, $4.30@4.50; graham, ¼s, $4.50; whole wheat, $4.75; rye, 5os, $5.50; bales, $3.

MILL STUFFS—Nominal—Bran, $25 @26 ton; middlings, $30@31; shorts, country, $27; city, $26; chop, $21@24.

HAY—Producers' price — Timothy, Willamette valley, fancy $15; ordinary, $11; eastern Oregon, $17, mixed, $10@10.50; clover, $10@12; grain, $10@12; cheat, $10@12; alfalfa, $12@

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER FAT—F. o. b. Portland—Sweet cream, 36c; sour, 34c.

BUTTER—Extra fancy fresh creamery, 37½c; fancy, 35c; choice, 32½@35c; ordinary, 32½c; best storage, 27½@30c; second grade, 25c; store, 20c a pound.

EGGS—Extra fancy, candled, 23½@ c; eastern storage, 17c dozen.

CHEESE—New — Full cream, flats, ½c per lb; Young Americans, 17c per

POULTRY—Mixed chickens, 13c per lb; fancy hens, 13½c per lb; roosters, old, 10c; fryers, 14@15c lb; broilers, (—) per lb; ducks, (—); geese, old, 9@10c per lb; turkeys, alive, 13c lb; dressed, 17@18c lb; squabs, $2.50 dozen; pigeons, $1.25 doz.; dressed poultry, 1@ c per lb higher; wild geese, $4@5 doz.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS — 1907 crop, first prime, 6c; prime, 5½c; medium to prime, 5½c; medium, 4@5c lb; 1906 crop, 1@2c lb; contracts, 1908, (—).

BOARD OF TRADE IS MEETING SUCCESS

A Tillamook cheese man was the first to buy stock in the new board of trade venture, according to President T. S. Townsend. The proposed exchange will be a great convenience to outsiders as well as those living inside of the city—in fact its existence depends upon it being valuable to the country producer and shipper. For instance a cheese manufacturer at Tillamook can wire the secretary of the board of trade here to offer so many cases of his product on the open market and in this way he would be in a position to sell quicker and at a better figure than at present. It is stated that city merchants are taking stock quite liberally.

FINANCIAL PLACES TO HONOR LINCOLN

Tomorrow is Lincoln's birthday and the day is a holiday in the east. Therefore there will be no session of either the Chicago board of trade or the New York stock exchange.

WOOL—1907 clip—Valley, 16@18c; eastern Oregon, 12½@18c.

MOHAIR—29@29½c.

HIDES—Dry hides, 12@13c lb; green, 4@5c; calves, green, 5@7c; kips, 5c lb; bulls, green salt, 3@4c lb.

SHEEPSKINS — Shearing, 15c@20c each; short wool, 25c@40c; medium wool, 50c@$1 each; long wool, 75c@$1.25 each.

TALLOW— Prime, per lb, 3c@4c; No. 2 and grease, 2@2½c.

CHITTIM BARK—5c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES — Fancy, 60@75c selling; buying, Willamette valley, 45@50c; eastern Multnomah and Clackamas, 50@55c per cwt; sweets, 2½c.

ONIONS—Jobbing price, $3.00; buying, spot, $2.40@2.50; garlic, 7c lb.

APPLES—Select, $2.00; fancy $1.75; choice, $1.25@1.50; ordinary, 90c@$1.00.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, new, $2.00 @2.50; bananas, 5c lb; lemons, $3@4.50 box; limes, Mexican (——) per 100; pineapples, $4@4.50 dozen; pears, fancy, $1.50@1.75; ordinary, $1 a box; tangerines, $1.75 a box; Jap oranges, 40@45c a box; persimmons, $1.75.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, new, 50@60c, sack; carrots, 50c per sack; beets, 65@75c per sack; parsnips, 85c@$1; cabbage, 85c@$1.25; tomatoes, California, $2.50; Florida, $5.25; beans, 15c; cauliflower, California, $1.10@1.20 doz.; local, 75c@$1; peas, 10c; horseradish, 8c lb; artichokes, 60c@$1.00 doz; green onions, 15c dozen; peppers, 17c; hothouse lettuce, $1.25@1.50 box; cucumbers, hothouse, $1.25 dozen; radishes, 15c dozen bunches; eggplant, 20c lb; celery, $3.50@3.75 crate; cranberries, eastern, $9.00@10.50; sprouts, 8c per lb.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—California and Hawaiian—Cube, $6; powdered, $5.85; berry, $5.65; dry granulated, $5.65; XXX granulated, $5.40; conf. A., $5.65; extra B., $5.15; golden G., $5.05; D. yellow, $4.95; beet granulated, $5.45; barrels, 15c; half barrels, 30c; boxes, 55c advance on sack basis.

(Above prices are 30 days net cash quotations.)

HONEY—$3.60 per crate.

COFFEE—Package brands, $15.88@16.63.

SALT—Coarse—Half ground, 100s, $13.50 per ton; 50s, $14.00; table, dairy 50s, $19.00; 100s, $18.75; bales, $2.50; imported Liverpool, 50s, $20.00; 100s, $19.00; 4s, 18.00; extra fine barrels, 2s 5s and 10s, $4.50@5.50; Liverpool lump rock, $20.50 per to; 50-lb rock, $13.50; 100s, $13.00.

(Above prices apply to sales of less than car lots. Car lots at special prices subject to fluctuations.)

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 5½@5⅞c; New Orleans, head, 7c; Ajax, 5c; Creole, 5¾c.

BEANS—Small white, $4.25; large white, $4.10; pink, $4.10; bayou, $3.90; Limas, $6.50; Mexican reds, 4½c.

NUTS— Peanuts, Jumbo, 7c per lb; Virginia, 6¾c per lb; roasted, 9c per lb; Japanese, 6¼@6½c; roasted, 8½c per lb; walnuts, California, 16c per lb; pine nuts, 15c per lb; hickory nuts, 10c per lb; brazil nuts, 15c per lb; filberts, 15c per lb; fancy pecans, 16@20c per lb; almonds, 16c.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS—Front street—Hogs, fancy, 7@7½c lb; ordinary, 6@6½c; large, 6½@7c lb; veal, extra, 9½c, per lb; ordinary, 9c per lb; heavy, 7@8c per lb; mutton, fancy, 11c per lb.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 12 lbs., 12½c per lb; 14 to 16 lbs., 12c per lb; 18 to 20 lbs., 12c; breakfast bacon, 15½@22½c per lb; picnics, 9c per lb; cottage roll, 10c per lb; regular short clears, smoked, 11c per lb; unsmoked, 10c per lb; clear backs, unsmoked, 10c; smoked, 11c; Union butts, 10 to 13c lb; unsmoked, 12c per lb; smoked, 12c per lb; clear bellies, unsmoked, 12½c per lb; smoked, 13½c per lb; shoulders, 10c; per lb; pickled tongues, 70c each.

LOCAL LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 12½c per lb; 5s, 12⅝c per lb; 50-lb. tins, 12c per lb; steam rendered, 10s, 11½c per lb; 5s, 11⅝c per lb; compound, 10s, 8½c per lb.

FISH—Rock cod, 12½c lb; flounders, 6c per lb; halibut, 8c per lb; striped bass, 15c per lb; catfish, 11c per lb; salmon, chinook, 12½c; steelhead, 12c per lb; frozen, 9c; herrings, 5c lb; soles, 7c lb; shrimps, 10c per lb; perch, 6c per lb; tomcod, 11c per lb; lobsters, 25c per lb.; fresh mackerel, 8c per lb; crawfish, 25c per dozen; sturgeon, 12½c per lb; black bass, 20c per lb; silver smelt, 6c per lb; Columbia smelt, 7c; black cod, 7½c lb; crabs, $1.00@1.50 dozen.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon, $2.50; per 100-lb sack, $5.00; Olympia, per gallon, $2.40; per 100-lb sack, $6.00@6.50; Eagle, canned, 60c can; $7 dozen; eastern in shell, $1.75 per hundred.

CLAMS—Hardshell, per box, $2.40; razor clams, $2.00 per box; 10c per doz.

Paints, Coal Oil, Etc.

ROPE—Pure manila, 14c; standard, 12½c; sisal, 10½c.

COAL OIL—Water white, tanks, 12½c; case, 18½c; headlight, cases, 20c; Elane, cases, 28c; Eocene, cases, 21½c gallon.

GASOLINE—86 deg., cases, 24½c per gal; iron bbls, 18c per gal.

BENZINE—86 deg., cases, 25c per gal; iron bbls, 23c per gal.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 96c per gal; wood bbls, 93c per gal.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 7¾c per lb; 500-lb lots, 8c per lb; less lots, 8¼c.

WIRE NAILS—Present basis at $3.10.

ONIONS ARE LOWER IN SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, Feb. 11.—Wheat, No. 1 California club, per cental, $1.60@1.62; white milling club, $1.67½@1.70; white Australian, $1.72½@1.75; northern bluestem, $1.70@1.72½; northern club, $1.62½; inferior grades of wheat, $1.40 @1.55.

Barley.—No. 1 feed, $1.40@1.42½, with some fancy at $1.43¾; common to fair, $1.35@1.37½; brewing, at San Francisco, $1.55@1.60; brewing and shipping, at Port Costa, $1.25½@1.57½; Chevalier, $1.65@1.85, according to quality.

Butter.—Fresh, California, extras, 32½c; firsts, 30c; seconds, 23c. Storage, California, extras, 24½c; firsts, 22c; seconds, 21c; eastern extras, 23½c; firsts, 22c; seconds, 21c; ladies eastern, 20c; firsts, 19c.

Eggs, per dozen.—Extras, 27½c; firsts, 25c; seconds, 23c; thirds, 20c. Storage, California, extras, 18c; firsts, 17c; seconds, 13c; eastern, extras, 16c; firsts, 14c; seconds, 9c.

New Cheese.—Per pound, California flats, fancy, 13½c; firsts, 13c; California Young America fancy, 14c; firsts, 13½c. Storage, eastern fancy, New York, 17½c; Oregon, 14½c.

Potatoes, per cental.—Salinas Burbanks, 85c@$1.00; Lompocs, $1.00@1.25; Oregon Burbanks, 75c@1.00; river whites, fancy, 60@75c; do, choice, 40@50c; early rose, $1.10@1.30; river reds, $1.35@1.40; sweet potatoes, $2.50@2.75 per cental; $2.75 for crates.

Onions—Yellow Danvers, $2.75@2.85; reds, $2.50@2.60.

Oranges, per box.—Navels, $1.75@2.25, with some fancy at $2.50.

Northwest Crop Weather.

Western Oregon and Western Washington.—Rain tonight and Wednesday, southerly winds.

Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho.—Probably fair tonight and Wednesday.

Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho.—Rain or snow tonight and Wednesday.

ARGENTINA IS BEARING WHEAT

Enormous Shipments and Purchases by Europe Cause Chicago Loss.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

	Open.	Close.	Feb. 10.	Loss.
May	96	95⅛	96⅝	1⅛
July	92⅛	91½	92⅝	1⅛

Chicago, Feb. 11.—The liquidation in wheat, which began yesterday, was renewed with even more vigor on the opening this morning and the May option lost 1½c at one time. It closed 1⅛c lower.

The early influence was bear news from abroad. Reports were that Argentine was again exporting heavy shipments of wheat, and that this is only the beginning of still larger shipments to follow, and that the Argentine crop this year is the largest ever raised, and purchasers are contracting for the export of enormous quantities of South American wheat to European markets during February and March. The weakness in Liverpool and other foreign markets, and a very disappointing local export demand also induced considerable selling.

Corn and oats markets were slow and dull, with a lower closing. Pork lost 8c on both May and July options.

Range by Downing-Hopkins company:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	96	96	94⅝	95¼
July	92⅛	92¼	91	91½
CORN.				
May	61¼	61½	60⅞	61⅛
July	59½	59⅝	59⅛	59¼
OATS.				
May	51¼	51⅝	51¼	51¼
MESS PORK.				
May	1200	1200	1185	1190
July	1225	1225	1225	1222

Liverpool Wheat Lower.

Liverpool, Feb. 11—May wheat opened at 7s 3⅝d and closed at 7s 3⅛d, a net loss of 1⅛d from yesterday.

Weekly Grain Exports.

New York, Feb. 11.—Weekly grain exports:
Wheat—1,879,125 bushels.
Flour—202,382 barrels.

CATTLE MARKET HAS A FIRMER FEELING

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Today	...	...	...
1907	...	289	...
1906	...	200	160
1905	...	...	...

Portland Union Stockyards, Feb. 11.—No arrivals were shown in the stockyards today. There is a very firm tone in cattle because of the very small offerings of late. While prices are not showing any advance at the moment, the tendency of the market seems upward; in fact, the larger feeders say they will not sell until prices have advanced to $4.50 at shipping points.

Sheep market is holding its own because of the very small arrivals of late. The market, however, is rather topheavy and it would not take very heavy runs to force values 50c lower.

Hogs are firm but are unchanged in price.

A year ago today all lines were firm with an advance of 25c in hogs and 25c to 50c in cattle. Sheep were unchanged though in firm request.

Official yard values today:

Hogs—Best stuff, $5.25@5.35; 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.

Sheep — Best wethers, $5.75@6.00; lambs, $6.00@6.25; ewes, $5.00@5.50.

COPPER SHARES IN BOSTON MARKET

(Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co.)

Boston, Feb. 11.—Copper prices:

Adventure	2	North Butte	9½
Atlantic	12	Girous	3½
Bingham	5	Old Dominion	34½
Copper Range	68⅜	Osceola	75
Dom. Copper	2¼	Quincy	85
C. Ely	6½	Tamarack	61
Gold Hill	1	Shannon	10⅞
Greene	7⅜	Victoria	4½
Mohawk	48⅜	Winona	5¼
Butte Coala	17½	Trinity	13⅝
United	5⅝		

SPOKANE MINING EXCHANGE.

Better Tone Shown in Couer d'Alene Shares During the Day.

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 11.—There was a firmer tone today in Couer d'Alene shares and prices were firmer throughout the market during the session. Some advances were made.

Prices by Downing-Hopkins Co., members Spokane Mining Exchange:

	Bid.	Ask.
Ajax	8½	11
Alameda	3	4½
Alhambra	5	7
Alberta Coal & Coke	29	35
Bell	7	15
Bullion	5	6½
Chas. Dickens	8⅝	9¼
Canadian Cons. Smelters	65	85
Copper King	3	3⅞
Dominion Copper	150	225
Evolution	1¾	2¼
Echo	1	2¼
Galbraith Coal	20	27
Gertie	4½	4⅝
Hecla	2	..
Happy Day	3	3⅝
Holden G. & C.	4	5
Humming Bird	5	7½
Hypotheek	1⅝	1⅞
Idaho Giant	5	6
Intl. Coal & Coke	78	80
Kendall	85	97
Lucky Calumet	15	20
Missoula Copper	6¼	6½
Mineral Farm	⅜	2
Monitor	..	..
Moonlight	2	4
Nabob	3½	4¼
Nine Mile	..	2
O. K. Cons.	1	2⅛
Oom Paul	5⅝	7
Panhandle Smelter	3⅝	3½
Park Copper	1	2¼
Rambler Cariboo	29	31
Reindeer	1¼	2¼
Rex (16 to 1)	21½	25
Sonora	1	2
Snowshoe	8¼	10
Snowstorm	126	133
Sullivan	4	4⅛
Sullivan Bonds	50	67½
Stewart	70	100
Tamarack & Ches.	75	..
Wonder	1⅛	1⅜

Sales Today.

2,000 Charles Dickens at 8⅝; 1,000 Gertie at 4½; 425 Int. Coal & Coke at 80; 42,000 Panhandle at 3¾; 3,000 Panhandle at 3⅝; 1,000 Panhandle at 3½; 6,000 Sullivan at 4½; 6,000 Sullivan at 4½; 2,000 Sullivan at 4⅝.

In answering advertisements herein, please mention The Journal.

WOULD INVADE NEW DISTRICT

Sam Broaddus, Local Potato Man, Plans to Get Rid of Surplus Stocks.

By W. S. Broaddus.

After thoroughly canvassing the potato situation and corresponding with dealers, brokers and growers in every large producing section west of the Mississippi river I have concluded there is no hope of marketing the surplus of Oregon without invading a new territory.

To do this successfully we must be able to offer some inducement to the people at the other end to get them to quit buying from Colorado, Idaho or California and buy from us. We must get our product distributed among the dealers who are strangers. To accomplish this we must have the assistance of either the transportation company or the farmers.

The writer feels sure that Oregon potatoes put up properly will bring, when introduced, a premium over any other west coast stock. If the farmers of this country will put up 50 carloads for distribution in Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Texas and Louisiana the dealers will undertake to market, in the territory mentioned, either 10 cars or if necessary the whole 50 cars and advance the farmers 40c per cwt. at the time of shipment. It would have a better effect if the shipments were made by every dealer.

I believe by properly assorting and sacking in new sacks branded and numbered, that these 50 cars would bring back orders enough to bring down the surplus of Oregon to the normal. Unless something is done and done soon Oregon will dump a large surplus of mighty good spuds, and it is a shame to waste them.

California cannot use them this year and other consumers within reach do not know us or the quality of the goods. The railroad company cannot give us a rate in less than 30 days and it will then be too late to advertise our potatoes and get orders.

INDUSTRIAL REVIVAL BRINGS STOCKS UP

New York, Feb. 11.—The stock market was weak and strong by turns, turning from a sagging disposition into one of strength on the reports of renewal of industrial activity. There was a good undertone in the trading in the last half of the session with the exception of one or two issues. Colorado Fuel was somewhat weak with the report that it would have difficulty in meeting interest charges on some of its late securities.

Range by Downing-Hopkins Co.:

	Open.	Close.
Amal. Copper	47½	47⅞
Sugar	107⅞	108
Colo. Fuel & Iron	17	16¼
Brooklyn	37⅝	38⅜
Peoples Gas	85	84½
U. S. Steel, com	27	27¼
U. S. Steel, pref.	89⅞	90⅝
Atchison	67⅞	68
Balt. & Ohio	77⅝	77⅝
Canadian Pacific	146⅝	146¼
Erie	13½	13⅝
Louis. & Nash.	91¼	91½
Mo. Pac.	38⅛	38
Pennsylvania	110⅝	109½
Reading	94	93½
Rock Island	11½	11¼
Southern Pacific	66⅞	67⅞
St. Paul	107	106½
Union Pacific	113	113⅞
Am. Smelter	61	60⅝
N. Y. Central	94	94
Anaconda	30½	30½
Northern Pacific	117⅞	117⅝
Great Northern	114⅞	114⅝
Ches. & Ohio	26⅝	..
Southern Ry.	..	10¼
Northwestern	..	137
Wabash, pfd	..	15
Wabash, com	..	8
Am. Loco.	..	32⅜
Manhattan	..	122½

PRICE OF NEVADA SHARES IN FRISCO

San Francisco, Feb. 11.—Yesterday's close:

GOLDFIELD.

Sandstorm 33c, Red Top Ext. 16c, Columbia Mountain 24c, Jumbo Ext. 49c, Silver Pick 34c, Black Butte Ext. 3c, Atlanta 37c, Great Bend 38c, Florence $4.32, Diamond B. B. Cons. 20c, Comb. Fraction, 69c, Red Hill 34c, Lou Dillon 5c, Yellow Tiger 19c, Goldfield Cons. $4.87.

BULLFROG.

Lige Harris 1c.

TONOPAH.

Ton. Nev. $5.40, McNamara 35c, Belmont $1.35, North Star 15c, Jim Butler 43c.

MANHATTAN.

Granny 9c, Jumping Jack 5c, Pittsburg Silver Peak $1.27, Eagles Nest 22c.

Northwest Bank Statement.

PORTLAND.

Clearings today	$1,042,878.50
Year ago	1,056,265.91
Balances today	99,886.02
Year ago	92,105.88

SEATTLE.

Clearings	$1,144,465
Balances	58,355

TACOMA.

Clearings	$658,471
Balances	34,344

Tacoma Wheat Market.

Tacoma, Feb. 11.—Wheat—Export, club, 80c; bluestem, 82c; red, 78c.

Chicago Dairy Market.

Chicago, Feb. 11.—Butter, creamery, 22@23c; eggs easier; prime first, 20½c; cheese steady, 12@13c.

New York Dairy Market.

New York, Feb. 11.—Butter, creamery, 25@32c; eggs steady, western firsts 23c; cheese firm, unchanged.

HERDER ACCUSED OF ROBBING SALOON

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

La Grande, Or., Feb. 11.—William Evans has been arrested on a charge of having robbed the Nils Halverson saloon at Hilgard a few nights ago of $18. Evans has been in this vicinity for over a year and has been herding sheep for the Stanfield brothers on Meacham creek. He has been lodged in the county jail.

Standard Oil Hearing.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 11.—The taking of evidence in the suit of the government against the Standard Oil company was resumed before a notary in this city today. Charles B. Morrison and J. H. Graves appeared for the government and John G. Milburn for the Standard Oil company. Testimony was taken respecting the alleged unfair competition of the Standard in the New York and New England territories.

COMMERCIAL MEN SUE RAILROADS

Travelers' Protective Association Complain About Mileage System.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Salem, Or., Feb. 11.—The Commercial Travelers' Protective association has brought suit before the railroad commission against the O. R. & N. company and the Southern Pacific company and the Corvallis & Eastern railroad company to secure regulation of the mileage tickets.

It is claimed by the association that they are only able to secure the mileage tickets at the full rate of three cents per mile; that the railroad companies keep the amount of rebate, payable upon the return of the covers, for a great length of time and that the scrip bureau charges a fee for making the refund.

They also claim that the conductors fail to return the odd cents due from the five-cent coupon.

In addition to the above, the complaint recites that much annoyance is caused by the rule which compels the showing of signed identification slips when paying fare.

To do away with the first mentioned evils, the association suggests that a 3,000-mile ticket be issued containing 3,000 2½-cent coupons at a flat rate of $75 "without rebate or drawback."

ESTERLY TAKES UP JUVENILE COURT WORK

E. B. Seabrook Will Do General Work in the District Attorney's Office.

Henry M. Esterly has been appointed by District Attorney Manning as a deputy to attend to the work of the juvenile court. Since the departure of Robert Galloway, former prosecuting officer in that court, E. B. Seabrook has been trying juvenile court cases, but he is now to do general work for the district attorney, leaving the juvenile department to Esterly. The appointment of Esterly is subject to the approval of Judge Gatenbein, but there is no question that this will be given.

Mr. Esterly has for a long time been interested in the juvenile court and an enthusiastic worker in the juvenile improvement association. The office is still open to be resumed by Mr. Galloway if he is ever able to return to duty, but at last reports his condition was critical and little hope was given for his recovery. He is at Sierra Madre, near Los Angeles.

MISS STODDARD TO IBSEN PLAYS

Matinees to Be the Thing at the Baker Theatre During Next Month.

Joy for the highbrows!

Get out the duster and the powdered pumicestone. Shine up your gray matter, and wrap yourself up so the fog can't get down your backbone.

Dr. Ibsen is coming to town in a series of high class matinees, which are to be given at the Baker theatre next month. Blanche Stoddard, who is to come to lead the Baker forces at that time, is a shining light in the Ibsen crowd, Mina Crolius Gleason of the Baker company has several favorite roles written by the grim old Norwegian, and some of the other members of the company are willin' to try.

George L. Baker said this morning that it was not the intention to devote any evening performances or week runs to the Norse classics. He has been carefully watching the success of the special Ibsen matinees so popular in London, New York and other cities of metropolitan ideas anent things dramatic and artistic, and he has decided that if Lunnon and Los Angeles will make classic matinees profitable Portland at least is willing to follow their lead.

"As soon as Miss Stoddard gets here we will be in a position to arrange definitely for the matinees," said Mr. Baker. "She will give "Rosmersholm," in Los Angeles this week, and she has attempted most of the others with success."

Although the special matinee feature is an innovation in this city, Mr. Baker believes that it will be a success here. Records at the public library show that the Ibsen plays have never been read more than now. Ibsen clubs are flourishing, and the work of Mrs. Fiske and Mme. Nazimova in the east has served to add to the popular interest in the symbolist of the north and his works.

If the Ibsen matinees prove successful, it is possible Mr. Baker may put on some of the English and French classics. Although they have been a more or less well established feature of New York for some years, no western manager has had the temerity to produce them until recently a Chicago company has been trying them out and won a good deal of success from the thinking element of the Windy City's population.

But it all depends on whether Portland is up to the mark, and whether the women's clubs are willing to see Rebecca West jump in the millstream.

So hurry around and prepare to welcome Miss Stoddard and the Ibsen innovation.

RADDING ASKS TIME TO PROVE CHARGES

An echo of the recent labor convention at Astoria was heard last Sunday evening in Drew hall, when E. E. Radding was called upon to make good the charges of graft and irregular conduct in office preferred by him against C. H. Gram, president of the State Federation of Labor, T. M. Leabo, secretary of the same organization, and Paulineus McDonald, ex-editor of the Portland Labor Press.

At the request of the accused men it was decided that the charges should be heard and passed upon by a jury consisting of one member from each union affiliated with the federated trades council. When the jury convened Sunday evening, Radding declined to submit any evidence against Leabo and McDonald, but this did not satisfy the jury, who demanded that Radding produce whatever evidence he had against Gram.

Radding then proceeded to read a number of letters that had passed between Gram and the head officials of the National Federation of Labor. In none of these could the jury find anything tending to substantiate the charges against Gram. Radding asked for an adjournment of two weeks, saying that he had other evidence, which he would bring forward at that time. He was given to understand that unless he made good the charges against Gram at the meeting two weeks hence, he would be expelled from the labor organizations of Portland.

BONI FINED FOR HITTING PRINCE

Costs Anna Gould's Divorced Husband 100 Francs to Insult His Cousin.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Paris, Feb. 11.—Boni de Castellane was fined 100 francs today for his recent fight with Prince de Sagan. The prince's claim for 1 franc was also allowed. The count's brother was acquitted.

Count Boni and Count Jean de Castellane, his brother, were charged with assault by Prince Helie de Sagan. This charge was a result of the first encounter between the count and the prince on the streets of Paris early in January. Count Boni de Castellane is the divorced husband of Anna Gould, and Prince Helie de Sagan is his cousin.

Answering a question put by the court, Count Boni declared that he could explain clearly the motives of his animosity toward Prince Helie by certain documents which he intended to hand over to the court, but that the intimate character of these papers prevented their being made public. At this statement Prince Helie interrupted the proceedings by crying in a loud voice:

"These documents are forgeries."

Count Boni admitted that he had spat in Prince Helie's face at the time of the encounter, and he explained that he had not sent seconds to his cousin to arrange a duel as he knew that the prince could not find anybody who would be willing to represent him on the field of honor.

Counsel for the count declared that if his client had accepted the judgment of divorce from Madame Anna Gould it was because he recognized he had wronged the wife whom he still respected. In spite of the fact that they were separated by law Count Boni had not been able to restrain his indignation and anger when he heard that the Prince de Sagan was going to become the husband of the mother of his children.

He considered, also, the interests of his children, and was convinced that Prince Helie could not be even a good father to them.

LOMAX DRIVES NAILS IN MAYOR JOHNS' LID

District Attorney Orders Baker City Gamblers to Close Immediately.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Baker City, Or., Feb. 11.—Seeing that Mayor Johns was cornering all the credit for fastening the lid on Baker City, District Attorney Lomax got into the game last night and issued an edict of his own, commanding that gambling must cease at once. The mayor had given the gamblers until March 1 to close their games.

The district attorney had heretofore refused to take action against the gamblers on the ground that evidence had not been laid before him by the citizens. When the famous "pink circular" was issued by the ministers Mayor Johns refused to heed the cry of the "closed town" element but later issued an order on his own volition that gambling must cease. Evidently determined that the city executive should not have all the honor of closing the town the district attorney promulgated last night's order.

WHITMAN'S ORATOR IS PAUL BRAINARD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Whitman College, Walla Walla, Wash., Feb. 11.—Paul Porter Brainard, of the junior class, won the annual college oratorical contest with an oration entitled, "The Modern Menace," an arraignment of Mormonism. Brainard will have the honor of representing Whitman college in the annual intercollegiate oratorical contest of the northwest association at Pullman in April. He secured five first places out of a possible six from the six judges, on thought and composition and on delivery.

Second honors were won by Miss Madge Fowler of the senior class, whose oration, "The Call From the Orient," dealt with the alleged injustice of Japan in her exploitation of Korea.

A special feature was an oration by William Lee, a native of China, "The Awakening of China." The thought was excellent, one judge ranking him first, and his delivery brought forth the prolonged applause.

The other orations were, "Self or Service," by George Bohannon, and "Sowing Without Reaping," by Howard Cox.

Judges on thought and composition were Dr. E. E. Shaw, Professor E. E. Ruby and Rev. J. C. Reid. Judges on delivery were Rev. S. G. Fisher, Allen H. Reynolds and Rev. F. J. Van Horn, D. D., of Seattle.

Illinois Lumber Dealers.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 11.—The Illinois Lumber Dealers' association, now in its eighteenth year, began its annual convention today in conjunction with the exposition of building materials that is being held in Brooke's Casino. The meeting will be in session three days and promises to be the banner meeting of the association.

In addition to discussing the question of "cancellations" and reasonable time of shipment and transportation and other practical subjects the association will listen to a number of addresses. Captain J. E. Stewart, of the postoffice department, will speak on postal savings banks and the parcels post. District Attorney Sims will be heard on the subject of the Sherman law, T. J. Burrill of the University of Illinois, on the subject of forestry, and Professor Wilder on the chemistry of cements.

Masons Meet in Conclave.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Hattiesburg, Miss., Feb. 11.—Several days of unusual interest and activity in Masonic circles were ushered in here today with the annual meeting of the Mississippi grand lodge. The grand lodge meeting will be followed by the meetings of the grand council, grand chapter, Order of High Priesthood and grand commandery. This city is rapidly filling with Masons of high degree from all over the state.

Michigan Lumbermen Meet.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 11.—The nineteenth annual convention of the Michigan Retail Lumber Dealers, which opened in this city today, is the largest in point of attendance ever held by the association. The large attendance is due in part to the fact that Secretary of War Taft has promised to address the convention Thursday afternoon on his way back to Washington from Grand Rapids, where he is to speak tomorrow night.

Gold Prospecting Company.

Articles of incorporation have been filed by the Oregon Gold Prospecting & Promoting company, formed by Mark W. Gill, Eugene P. Sohow and Homer I. Keeney. The capital stock is $18,000.

The Pearson-Page company has filed amended articles showing increase of capital stock from $40,000 to $60,000.

INJURED MINER PERFORMS DUTY

Columbia Mine Employe Shuts Off Power After Skull Is Fractured.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Baker City, Feb. 11.—Ira Bigelow a young man employed in the Columbia mine was seriously injured Saturday. While preparing to change shifts alone at the 500-foot station, in reaching over a pinion shaft of the electric pump to adjust an oil cup, his clothing caught in a set screw on the rapidly revolving shaft which instantly threw him around and around until his clothing was entirely stripped from his body.

When Frank Bailey, the mine manager, found him he had nothing on but a neck tie and a pair of socks. His skull was fractured, his face badly bruised and not a part of his body but which was more or less bruised and injured.

After the accident he was released and walked some 15 feet to the motor and shut off the power, thence 20 feet to a telephone and called the master mechanic, advising him of his terrible plight. He was brought by team to Sumpter, thence by train to Baker City, arriving last night, suffering intense agony, and was at once taken to St. Elizabeth's hospital.

TWO MURDER CASES ON WASCO DOCKET

Gossen and Hale Chief Figures of Present Term—Many Larceners Up.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

The Dalles, Or., Feb. 11.—Two murder cases are on the docket of the circuit court for Wasco county, which convened here yesterday.

Edward Gossen, it is alleged, killed Ernest Bonomi, a farmer who resided seven miles from this city in the Mill Creek neighborhood for ten or twelve years. Gossen is 26 years old.

Thomas Hale is accused of killing Tom McConnell, a sheepherder, during a saloon brawl at Shaniko. His case will come up for trial at this term. The tragedy occurred in the early morning in the barroom of the Columbia Southern hotel.

Hale is about 40 years old and served in the Philippines for three years.

William Morton is accused of assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to kill, in the person of Eustace Barber. The affray took place in Owen Mathews' saloon and Morton stabbed Barber with a knife during a quarrel.

Charles Hawkins faces the charge of larceny from a store. He is said to have stolen several articles of clothing, some of which he sold at a local pawnshop.

An information has also been filed against Frank Ward, the notorious boxcar thief, recently arrested here by Detective Ed Wood, of the O. R. & N. He is charged with entering a box-car standing in the railroad yards. Two charges, of larceny and of burglary, have been made against him.

Wong Ching and Wong Wee are two celestials who are accused of receiving stolen goods, the property of the firm of Hunt & Roberts.

TO MAKE FIGHT FOR SULPHURING FRUIT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 11.—The executive committee of the Fruit Growers' association has decided to take important steps in presenting their side of the argument in the question of sulphuring fruit to the referee board which is soon to be named by President Roosevelt.

The committee which met consisted of Chairman Arthur Briggs, J. C. Daly of Ventura, E. T. Pettit of Santa Clara, W. H. Brailsford of Kings, G. W. Pierce of Yolo, J. W. Turner of Sonoma and E. B. Hutchinson of Fresno.

The chairman was directed to levy a general assessment to cover the cost of carrying on the campaign in Washington against Chief Wiley's ruling. The chairman was also directed to ask for an official ruling that Wiley's ruling stand suspended until the decision of the referee board is made.

TO ASK CANDIDATES HOW ABOUT BOOZE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Aberdeen, Wash., Feb. 11.—At a meeting of the committee of 100 of the Chehalis County Anti-Saloon league, a committee of seven members was appointed to investigate candidates and their acceptability to the anti-saloon contingency. All candidates for city offices will be given an opportunity to state their position on the open saloon.

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