THE WORLD'S MARKETS

BEARS IN HOPS WORKING HARD

Offer Supplies to East at Lower Price Than Can Be Purchased Here.

TODAY'S WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Offer hops low in east.
Onion prices out of line.
Only seed potatoes to south.
Millfeeds likely to rise.
Wheat market very firm.
Barley market is higher.
Egg prices are jumping.
Chickens sell at advance.
Creamery butter is very firm again.

Offer Hops at Low Prices.

The big bears are fighting very hard in the hop market at this time. They are making every effort to hold prices in check and are sparing no expense toward carrying out that policy. It is stated that one of the big northern shorts has been offering hops freely to eastern dealers and brewers on a basis of 5c a pound mediums f. o. b. coast. While these hops cannot be purchased at less than that figure from producers even with the present great weakness in the hop situation, shorts are quite willing to sell all the hops wanted at this figure. Evidently they are confident that a lower range of values can be secured if they persist in their bearish attitude. With the decreasing supplies in the hands of growers and the prospects that more acreage will be plowed up in the spring the trade in general is of the opinion that the bottom price for this season has been reached and that if any change occurs an advance will be noted. With growers willing to unload all their holdings, however, it is not likely that much change will be shown either way in the near future. Just at present there is nothing doing in the local market because of weather conditions which make traveling in the country almost impossible and rather expensive.

Slightly Better in New York.

The hop market is feeling slightly better in New York but there has been only a fractional advance in prices as yet. It was to stop this advance and future ones that caused the bears on the Pacific coast to send telegrams to easterners offering them hops at less price than they could be bought here. The New York Producers' Price Current says of the situation in its latest issue:

"In New York state the market has also been active, with a slightly firmer feeling at the same level of prices. Remaining stock is now estimated at about 9000 to 10,000 bales. Locally there has been a little inquiry and a sale of choice Oregons reported at 9½c. There is also a little more business with brewers." New York prices:

State, 1908, prime to choice, per lb .....12@13
State, 1908, medium to good, per lb .....10@11
State, 1907, per lb .....3@ 6
Pacific coast, 1908, prime to choice, per lb .....9@10
Pacific coast, 1908, medium to good, per lb .....7@ 8
Pacific coast, per lb .....4@ 6
Germans, 1908, per lb .....23@28
Pacific coast, 1906, per lb .....2@ 3

New York movement of hops:

	Bales.
Receipts for week	2,681
Receipts from Sept. 1	39,727
Receipts same time last year	37,637
Exports to Europe for week	.....
Exports from Sept. 1	22,878
Exports same time last year	27,039
Imports for week	.....
Imports from Sept. 1	2,618
Imports same time last year	6,087

Chickens Sell at Advance.

All receivers are today quoting an advance in the price of chickens. While the receipts during the past two days were quite fair and much better than expected considering the state of the weather, the demand was the best seen in this market for many a day and the result is that fancy coops of hens are readily bringing 15c along the street today while ordinary coops of chickens mixed stuff, sell readily at 14@14½c. All sorts of poultry are in heavy demand with the prospect of a continuance of this condition during the next few days.

Creamery Butter Is Very Firm.

All through the creamery butter market a firmer tone is shown today. Supplies are showing a decrease owing to the inability of outside creameries to get to market. Best known brands of creamery are today quoted firmer than ever at 37c a pound and there is a better call for less known stock around 35c. Butter that could scarcely be moved several days ago around 32½c and possibly 33c a pound is today finding a better outlet at 32½@35c but all interests agree that this condition will exist only until after the weather has cleared up. The fact that the Portland butter market is at a high point is causing considerable shipments in this direction from southern coast points.

Brief Notes of Wholesale Trade.

Only seed potatoes are moving from here to the south and the movement in that line is small because of the very small offerings and danger of freezing en route.

Onion market is steady to firm with no change in values here. Today's Seattle papers quote California onions in that market at $1.50 and Oregon's at $1.75 per hundred pounds.

Produce and fruit trade is still at a standstill; Front street being in winter quarters.

Dressed meats are arriving quite fair with demand and supply just about equal at these prices.

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

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER — Extra creamery, 37c; fancy, 32½@35c; store, 20@21c.

BUTTER FAT—Delivery f. o. b. Portland—Sweet cream, 35½c; sour, 33½c per lb.

POULTRY — Mixed chickens, 14@14½c; fancy hens, 15c; roosters, old, 10@11c; fryers, 15c; broilers, 15@24c; geese, 10@11c; turkeys, alive, 17½@20c; dressed, 20@25c; ducks, 17½@18c; pigeons, squabs, $2@2.50 per doz; old, $1; dressed poultry, 1@1½c higher.

CHEESE—Full cream, flats, triplets and daisies, 16c; Young Americans, 17c.

EGGS—Local best, 42½@45c per doz; eastern, 35c.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

WOOL—1908—Willamette valley, 18c.

HOPS—1908 crop, choice, 6@7c; prime to choice, 6@6½c; prime, 6c; medium, 4@5½c.

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

SHEEPSKINS — Shearing, 10@15c each; short wool, 25c@40c; medium wool, 50c@$1.00 each; long wool, 75c@$1.25 each.

MOHAIR—1908—Nominal, 18@19c.

CHITTAM BARK—Old, 4½@5c; new, 4½@5c lb.

HIDES—Dry hides, 15@16c lb; green, 8@9c lb; bulls, green salt, 5@6c lb; kips, 8@9c; calves, green, 12@13c per lb.

Grain, Flour and Hay.

BARLEY—Feed, $26.50@27.00; rolled, $28.50@29.50; brewing, $27@27.50.

WHEAT—Buying price, new—Track, Portland—Club, 91@92c; bluestem, $1; fortyfold, $3c; red, 90c; Wilsamette valley, 92c.

MILLSTUFFS—Selling price—Bran, $26.50; middlings, $33.00; shorts, $30.00; chop, $21.00@28.00; alfalfa meal, $18.00 per ton.

FLOUR—Selling price—Eastern Oregon patent, $5.00; straight, $4.05@4.75; export, $3.70; bakers, $4.55@4.80; valley, $4.65; graham, ¼s, $4.40; whole wheat, $4.65; rye, 5s, $5.50; bales, $2.00.

OATS—Producers' price—Track, No. 1 white, $32.50; gray, $32.

HAY—Producers' price—New timothy, Willamette valley fancy, $15.00; ordinary, $14.00; eastern Oregon, $18.00; mixed, $11.50@12.00; clover, $11.00; grain, $13.00; cheat, $13.00; alfalfa, $12.00@12.50.

Fruits and Vegetables.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, new navels, $2.25@3.00 per box; Japanese oranges, 60@65c per box; bananas, 5c per lb; lemons, $3.25@5.00 box; grapefruit, $4.00@4.50; pineapples, Hawaiian, $2.50@3.00 doz; pears, $1.00; cranberries, local, $11.50 bbl; eastern, $13.50@15.00.

POTATOES—New, selling, $1@1.25; buying for shipment, per cwt., fancy, 85@90c; ordinary, 70@80c; sweet, $2; Early Rose, buying, $1@1.10;—garnets, $1.00.

ONIONS — Jobbing—Fancy Oregon, $1.25 per cwt; ordinary, $1.15; garlic, 7½@8c lb.

APPLES—Good, $1.25@1.75; poor, 75@$1.00 per box.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, new Oregon, 75c@$1; beets, $1.00@1.25; carrots, 75c sack; parsnips, 85c@1.00; cabbage, $1.50@1.75; tomatoes, California, 2.00 per crate; beans, 16c; cauliflower, $1.25; pears, 17c; horseradish, 8c lb.; artichokes, 65@75c doz; green onions, 15c per doz; peppers, bell, 5c; Chile (—); head lettuce, 40c doz; hothouse, $1@1.50 box; radishes, 15c doz. bunches; celery, 60@90c; eggplant, 15c lb.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—Cube, $6.35; powdered, $6.70; fruit or berry, $5.95; dry granulated, $5.95; conf. A, $6.15; extra B, $5.45; Golden G, $5.75; D, yellow, $5.25; beet, granulated, $5.75; barrels, 15c; half barrels, 30c; boxes, 55c advance on sack basis. Idaho prices 70c less.

(Above prices are 30 days net cash quotations.)

RICE—Imperial Japan No. 1, 5½c; No. 2, 5¼c; New Orleans, head, 6@6¾c; Ajax (—); Creole, 5¼c.

SALT—Coarse — Half ground, 100s, $11.00 per ton; 50s, $11.50; table, dairy, 50s, $16.50; 10s, $16.00; bales, $2.35; imported Liverpool, 50s, $20.00; 100s, $19.00; 40s, $18.00; extra fine, barrels, 2s, 5s and 10s, $4.50@5.50; Liverpool lump rock, $20.50 per ton.

HONEY—New, 15c per lb.

BEANS—Small white, $5.25; large white, $4.50; pink, $3.85; bayou, $3.75; Limas, 5.75; Mexican reds, $4.75.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 13 lbs, 14½c per lb; breakfast bacon, 13@21½c lb; picnics, 10c lb; cottage roll, 11c lb; regular short clears, smoked, 13c lb; backs, heavy smoked, 12c lb; light, smoked, 12c lb; bellies, smoked, 15c lb; pickeled tongues, 60c each.

DRESSED MEATS — Front street—Hogs, fancy, 8@8¼c; ordinary, 7½@8c; large, 7c; veal, extra, 10c; ordinary, 9c; heavy, 8@8½c; mutton, fancy, 6@7c.

LOCAL LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 14c per lb; 5s, 14½c per lb; 5c lb tins, 13½c per lb; steam rendered, 10s, 13c per lb; 5s, 13½c per lb; compound, 10s, 8¾c per lb.

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

FISH — Rock cod, 10c lb; flounders, 5c per lb; halibut, 7c per lb; striped bass, 5c per lb; catfish, 10c per lb; salmon, 7c per lb; herrings, 5c per lb; soles, 7c per lb; shrimp, 12½c per lb; perch, 6c per lb; tomcod, 10c per lb; lobsters, 25c per lb; fresh mackerel, (—) per lb; crawfish, 20c per dozen; sturgeon (—) per lb; black bass, 20c per lb; Columbia smelts, 5c; silver smelts, 6c per lb; black cod, 7½c per lb; crabs, $1.25@1.75 per 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; canned, 60c can, $7.00 dozen; eastern in shell, $1.75 per 100.

Paints, Coal, Oil, Etc.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls, 62c; cases, 68c; boiled, bbls, 64c; cases, 70c a gal; lots of 250 gallons, 1c less; oil cake meal, $34 ton.

ROPE—Manila, 9¾c; sisal, 7½c lb.

BENZINE—86 deg., cases, 19c per gal; iron bbls., 11½c per gal.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 58½c per gal.

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

WIRE NAILS—Present basis, $2.35.

HIGHEST PRICE AGAIN REACHED IN OUR EGGS

The way the egg market is jumping along Front street is the wonder of the wholesale trade. All sorts of values are ruling as a result of the smaller supplies and rather fair demand. Sales have been made during the past 24 hours as high as 45c for fresh ranch, while some dealers say they have made transactions at 42½c.

Even eastern storage egg prices are on the rampage—a condition far from being expected by anyone. Eastern eggs are today quoted firm at 35c a dozen, while a few days ago they were going begging at 27½c and 30c. The market throughout is entirely a weather affair and everything depends upon climatic conditions.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET LOWER

Price Is 1-8c to 3-8c Down After a Steady Opening —Liverpool Higher.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

	Open.	Close.	Jan. 6.	Loss.
May	107⅝	107½B	107⅝	⅛
July	98⅝	98¼A	98½	⅛
Sept.	94⅝	94¼B	94⅝	⅝

Chicago, Jan. 7.—There was a firmer tone abroad and Liverpool wheat closed at an advance of ¼ to ⅜d above yesterday.

Opening of the Chicago market was unchanged to a fraction up, the July showing the only advance. This was for but ⅛c. At the opening May went to 107⅝, July 98⅝, September 94⅝. There was a fractional improvement in the buying after the start with the higher foreign prices, and the better demand for the cash stuff, but the position of the bears was so strongly secured that the stiffness did not last long and prices began to sag considerably. There was a consequent improvement from a small amount of short covering later in the day, and this accounts for the small losses shown in values.

Primary receipts in bushels:

	Today.	Year Ago.
Wheat	272,000	507,000
Corn	360,000	532,000
Shipments:		
Wheat	113,000	218,000
Corn	406,000	422,000

Argentina shipments for the week are estimated: Wheat, 800,000 bushels; corn, 200,000 bushels.

Range of Chicago prices furnished by Overbeck & Cook Co.:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Bid.
WHEAT.				
May	107⅝	108⅛	107⅝	107½B
July	98⅝	98⅞	98⅛	98¼A
Sept.	94⅝	94⅞	94⅛	94 B
CORN.				
May	61⅝	62	61⅝	61¼A
July	61⅝	62¼	61⅝	62 A
Sept.	62⅛	62⅝	62	62⅛A
OATS.				
May	51¾	51⅞	51⅝	51¾A
July	46½	46½	46⅛	46⅜A
Sept.	39⅜	39⅜	39⅜	39⅜
PORK.				
Jan.	1645	1647	1642	1642
May	1675	1675	1665	1667 B
LARD.				
Jan.	950	950	947	947
May	972	975	970	970 B
July	985	985	982	982
RIBS.				
Jan	...	...	...	845
May	880	880	872	875
July	892	892	887	890

TOP STEERS 5 CENTS ADVANCED

$4.80 Is Secured Today for Select Quality—All Lines Very Firm.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Thursday	195	75	150
Wednesday	300	75	...
Tuesday	...	none	...
Monday	934	48	511
Saturday	500	230	...
Friday	...	holiday	...

Portland Union Stockyards, Jan. 7.—There is an unusually firm tone in all lines of livestock today. Receipts are light in all lines but are better than expected. Al lines are alike affected by the better demand but the greatest strength is in the better call of steers. There is much speculation among the trade as to what price select steers would bring but until actual transactions are made prices cannot be changed from those ruling at present. This is in justice to buyers, sellers and shippers.

With top steers and cows scarce and 5c higher there is in consequence a very firm demand for medium stuff. Medium cows are today ranging around $3.50 and $3.75 and top stuff around $3.90 and $4. Sales at the former price have already been made.

Demand Better Than Supplies.

Lee M. Lacey of Hunt & Lacey—"Demand is much better than supplies in all lines of local livestock and shippers should take advantage of the situation and get these figures."

S. P. Gould of the Gould Commission company—"Everything is firm in the livestock situation but only a small amount of stuff is coming forward just now."

Tom C. Benson of T. C. Benson & Son—"The entire livestock market is firm with not enough stuff coming to supply the demand even at the higher prices."

F. C. Sharkey of Sharkey Commission company—"Everything is firm in the livestock market. While stuff is rather scarce just now because of the freezeup, there is plenty in the country and I do not think that prices can be boosted just for this occasion."

J. C. Lonergan—"Market is firmer all the way through with stuff scare and prices high."

Today's run of livestock compares with this day in recent years as follows:

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
1909	195	75	150
1908	...	...	400
1907	...	none	...
1906	149	...	...
1905	275	278	...

A year ago today hogs and cattle were very firm with prices 25c higher. Sheep unchanged.

Yard's Representative Prices.

Following prices are representative of latest transactions and indicate demand, prices and weights:

STEERS.

	Weight.	Price
71 steers	85,200	$4.80
9 steers	10,690	4.60
25 steers	25,000	4.50
2 steers	2,257	4.25
COWS.		
18 cows	18,000	$3.75
43 cows	43,950	3.75
7 cows	7,000	3.50
BULL.		
1 bull	1,038	$2.50

The following is the general range of values on stock ruling in the yards for late shipments:

Hogs—Best east of mountains, $6.40; ordinary, $6.00@6.25; blockers and china fats, $6.50; stockers and feeders, $5.00.

Cattle—Best steers, weighing 1200 pounds, $4.75@4.80; medium steers, $4.25@4.50; poor steers, $3.50@4.00; best cows, $3.75@4.00; medium cows, $3.00@3.50.

Sheep—Best wethers, $5.00; ordinary, wethers, $4.50@4.75; lambs, $5.00@5.25; straight ewes, $4.50; mixed lots, $4.25.

Veal—Choice, young calves, $4.50@5.00; heavy rough, $3.75@4.00.

Eastern Livestock Markets.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—Hogs, 3000; cattle, 5000; sheep 15,000. Hogs are steady at yesterday's close. Left over yesterday 11,000. Receipts a year ago 46,000. Cattle and sheep strong.

Kansas City, Jan. 7.—Hogs, 14,000; cattle, 5000; sheep 5000.

Omaha, Jan. 7.—Hogs, 8000; cattle, 3800; sheep, 7500.

News Gossip of Finance

New York, Jan. 7.—Bar silver, 51½c; Mexican dollars, 45c.

New York, Jan. 7.—Government bodns:

	Date.	Bid.	Asked.
Twos, registered	1930	103	103½
do coupon	1930	103	.....
Threes, registered	1920	100¾	101½
do coupon	1908	100¾	101½
Threes, small bonds	....	100	.....
Fours, registered	1925	119½	120¼
do coupon	1925	120½	.....
Twos, Panama	....	102	103
do coupon	....	102	.....
Fours, Philippine	....	109	.....

New York, Jan. 7.—Lake 14½@14⅝c; electrolytic, 14⅝@14¾c; castings, 14@14¼c.

Tin—$29.00@29.37½.

London, Jan. 7.—Silver, 23⅝d.

New York, Jan. 7.—Sterling cable $487.10@487.15; demand, $486.90; 60 days, $485@485.10.

New York, Jan. 7.—It is reported that American Smelter has earned on the 15 per cent basis for the last six months.

London, Jan. 7.—Spot copper closed 5s lower.

NORTHWEST BANK STATEMENT.

Portland.

Clearings today	$915,068.91
Year ago	806,296.45
Gain today	$108,672.46
Balances today	115,685.52
Year ago	79,096.51

Tacoma.

Clearings today	$692,586.00
Balances today	64,347.00

Seattle.

Clearings today	$1,437,808.00
Balances today	246,326.00

SMELTERS GIVEN 4 POINTS BOOST

Sharp Advance in Security as Result of Good Earnings—List Higher.

Great Western Assessment.

New York, Jan. 7.—Wall street had it today that an assessment was to be made on Chicago Great Western stock. This caused weakness in that security but did not affect the bullishness of the market in general.

STOCK MARKET ADVANCES.

Amal.	1⅝	Mo. Pacific	1¼
Anaconda	1	N. Y. Central	.27
Smelter	4	G. Northern	.81½
Sugar	½	Pennsylvania	.1⅞
Canadian	1½	Reading	1¾
St. Paul	2⅝	S. P.	1⅛
Erie	⅝	N. P.	2⅞
B. & O.	¾	Cons. Gas	3¼
R. I.	1⅞	U. S. Steel	1⅞
do pfd.	1⅝	do pfd.	¼

New York, Jan. 7.—With a start that was bullish to the core the stock market mantained a very firm undertone all day and closed with liberal advances throughout the list. American Smelter was the leader of today's activity, scoring a net advance of 4 points with rumors of very favorable earnings. Brooklyn was topped for a rise with the report that it was to be given a greater dividend.

The report that E. H. Harriman was to be surely put on the New York Central board, aided that security materially in today's market. Central closed with a net advance of 2⅞ points over yesterday. A similar rise was shown by Union Pacific common.

St. Paul was very firm and active and closed 2⅝ points higher. The tendency to buy today was so strong that even Consolidated Gas began to show recovery, closing with a net gain of 3¼ points to its credit.

Range of New York prices furnished by Overbeck & Cooke company:

DESCRIPTION.	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal. Copper Co.	83¼	.....	.....	84⅝
Am. C. & Fdy., c	49½	.....	.....	49⅞
Am. C. & Fdy., p	.....	.....	.....	108
Am. Cot. Oil, c.	.....	.....	.....	43
Am. Loco., c.	57⅛	.....	.....	57¾
Am. Sugar, c.	128¾	.....	.....	129
Am. Smelt, c.	85½	.....	.....	89
Amer. Smelt., p.	103⅞	.....	.....	104
Ana. Mining Co.	49¾	.....	.....	50
Am. Woolen, c.	30	.....	.....	30½
Atchison, c.	100⅝	.....	.....	.....
B. & O., c.	110¾	111⅜	.....	.....
B. R. T.	71½	.....	.....	71
Can. Pacific, c.	176⅞	.....	.....	176⅞
Cen. Leather, c.	.....	.....	.....	33
Cen. Leather, p.	.....	.....	.....	100½
C. & G. W., c.	10½	.....	.....	8
C., M. & St. P.	148⅝	151	148½	150½
C. & N. W., c.	176½	.....	.....	178
Ches. & Ohio	56⅛	.....	.....	57¾
C., F. & I., c.	40¾	.....	.....	45¼
Col. Southern, c.	60¾	.....	.....	65
Col. South. 2d p.	82	.....	.....	84½
Col. South., 1st p.	84	.....	.....	84¾
Corn products	10¾	.....	.....	.....
Del. & Hudson	178½	.....	.....	179¼
D. & R. G., c.	38½	.....	.....	39½
do pfd.	80¾	.....	.....	81½
Erie, c.	33½	33⅝	32½	33⅝
do 1st pfd.	49¼	49½	48½	49¼
Great North., pfd	145¾	146¾	145½	146¾
Illinois Central	145½	.....	.....	146¼
Inter. Met., c.	18¾	.....	.....	.....
do pfd.	48½	.....	.....	48⅝
Louis. & Nash.	135¼	.....	.....	135½
Mex. Central Ry.	23¾	.....	.....	24
M., K. & T., c.	41¾	.....	.....	42½
do pfd.	73	.....	.....	73
Ore Lands	72½	.....	.....	71⅞
Mo. Pac.	70	.....	.....	70¼
Nat. Lead	77⅞	.....	.....	79
N. Y. Cen.	125	.....	.....	128⅛
N. Y., O. & W.	47½	.....	.....	47⅞
Nor. & W., c.	85¾	.....	.....	86
do pfd.	.....	.....	.....	86
Nor. Am.	.....	.....	.....	74⅝
Nor. Pac., c.	141⅛	.....	.....	142
Pac. Mail SS. Co.	.....	.....	.....	34⅝
Penn. Ry.	133¾	.....	.....	134
P. G., L. & C. Co.	103½	104	103	103¾
Pressed S. C., c.	42½	.....	.....	.....
Reading, c.	140¼	.....	.....	141⅛
do, 2d pfd	.....	.....	.....	91
Rep. I. & S., c.	25¾	.....	.....	26⅛
do pfd.	87	.....	.....	87
Rock Isl., c.	24⅞	.....	.....	24⅞
do pfd	59¾	.....	.....	60¾
St.L.&S.F.,2d pfd	.....	.....	.....	40
do, 1st pfd	.....	.....	.....	40
St. L. & S. W., c.	.....	.....	.....	22
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	52
So. Pacific, c.	118¾	.....	.....	119½
do pfd.	.....	.....	.....	120⅞
Southern Ry, c.	26⅛	.....	.....	26⅛
do pfd.	.....	.....	.....	61
Texas & Pac.	36¼	.....	.....	36⅛
T. St. L. & W., c.	48	.....	.....	48⅝
do pfd.	.....	.....	.....	71¾
Union Pacific, c.	179½	.....	.....	181¼
U. S. Steel Co., c.	53½	53½	52¼	53⅝
do pfd.	113	113⅝	113	113⅛
Wabash, c.	19¼	19¼	19	19¼
do pfd.	50	50½	49¾	50⅛
W. U. Tel.	68½	.....	.....	.....
Wis. Central, c.	37	.....	.....	37⅝
do pfd.	71	.....	.....	72
Wheeling-Lake	.....	.....	.....	12
Westinghouse	85	.....	.....	85
Utah Copper	46⅛	46⅛	46	46⅛
Third Ave.	40⅝	40⅝	40	40¾

PRODUCE IN SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—Eggs—Per dozen, California fresh, including cases, extras, 44c; firsts, 43c; seconds, 40c; thirds, 32c; pullets, selected, 39c; eastern storage, extras, 35c; firsts, 32c; seconds, 29c.

Butter—Per pound, California fresh, extras, 32½c; firsts, 32c; seconds, 27c; storage, California extras, 30½c; ladles, extras, 23c.

New cheese—Per pound, California flats, fancy, 14c; firsts, 13½c; seconds, 11½c; California Young America, fancy, 16c; firsts, 15½c; eastern New York cheddars, fancy, 17c; Oregon flats, fancy, 14c; do Young America, fancy, 16c; California storage, fancy, flats, 13c; Oregon flats, fancy, 14c; do Young America, 15c.

Potatoes—Per cental, river whites (sacks), 60@75c; do per cental, 75c@$1; Salinas Burbanks, $1.25@1.45; Oregon Burbanks, $1@1.15; Early Rose (for seed), $1.25@1.30; sweet potatoes, per crate, $1@1.25; with some extra fancy at $1.75@2; do sacks, 75c@$1.

Onions—Per sack, $1.25@1.35.

Oranges—Per box, navels, standard, $1.25@2; fancy, $2@2.50; tangerines, half orange boxes, $1@1.50.

SAN FRANCISCO GRAIN MARKET

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—Merchants exchange quotations:

Wheat—December, $1.69; May, $1.70 bid; $1.75 ask.

Barley—December, $1.44@1.45; May, $1.39½ bid.

Cash wheat—Walla Walla, $1.67½; red Russian, $1.61½; No. 1 Turkey red and bluestem, $1.77½; choice, $1.80.

Cash barley—Feed, $1.42½; brewing, $1.50.

Cash oats—No. 1 white, $1.76¼.

Millstuffs—Bran, $29; shorts, $31.50, middlings, $33.50.

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	898	902	894	901
March	905	906	900	902
May	905	906	899	901
July	898	898	890	894
August	883	889	883	886
September	...	...	...	870
October	870	870	862	864
December	867	...	...	861

MANTLE OF SNOW SAVES THE CROP

Wheat Not Harmed to Any Extent by Cold Weather in the Northwest.

Now It's Colder Again.

Oregon—Snow tonight and Friday; colder tonight, with a cold wave south and east portions; continued cold for several days. Northeasterly winds.

Washington—Fair west, snow flurries east portion tonight; colder tonight except extreme northwest portion. Friday fair, and continued cold for several days. Northerly winds.

Idaho—Snow tonight and Friday; colder, with a cold wave south and central portions. Continued cold, with zero temperatures for several days.

The mantle of snow which covers the various wheat districts of the Pacific northwest has saved the producers from loss and to consumers the benefits which are derived from the promise of a bumper crop.

With only an occasional complaint as to the cold weather the condition of the wheat crop could scarcely be improved. Only in a minor degree has any damage whatever been reported and this latter was shown in a few exposed spots where the wind had caused the snow to drift considerably.

There are all sorts of rumors regarding the price being offered for bluestem wheat. Some interests have it that $1.03 has been offered, other say $1.03 has been refused, while still others claim that no actual transactions are known above $1 a bushel. In any event the wheat market is very firm locally and present prospects seem good for still higher prices.

Millfeeds are firmer as a result of the cold snap, and while prices are showing no change for the day, the tendency is upward.

Cash barley is firmer and an advance of 50c a ton is today being quoted in the rolled product.

Cash oats market is in fine shape, although no late transactions are reported. Price stiff.

Hay prices are firmer, with a probable advance of about 50c a ton for all grades.

One large miller has announced an advance of 20c a barrel in patent flour. This puts his price to the same figure as quoted by the Portland Flouring Mills some time ago. The entire market is firmer, however, and another advance is still being talked of by the trade.

There was nothing doing on the Portland board of trade today and yesterday's quotations in grain futures are continued:

Board of trade prices:

CLUB WHEAT.

	Bid.	Ask.
January	92¼	93
February	92⅝	93½
NO. 1 WHITE OATS.		
January	1.62½	1.65
February	1.63¾	1.67½
NO. 1 FEED BARLEY.		
January	1.37½	1.38½
February	138½	1.40

BIG SALE OF APPLES IS MADE AT LA GRANDE

The fanciest prices for Grand Ronde apples secured by growers this season were realized yesterday by a dozen or more local growers, who combined, sold over 20 carloads of fancy stuff to the Ramsey-Oldenberg Warehouse Co. The exact price has not been given out, though the buyers announce it brushed the dollar mark, and in a few instances went above $1, thus setting a record price for this season, says the La Grande Observer.

The size of the purchase is also one of the largest of the season, totaling more than 20 cars. Individual sales in the bulk, vary between 850 boxes to 1830 boxes.

Those with whom the deals were closed yesterday by the local fruit dealers were Mike Carroll, 850 boxes; C. M. Riddle and C. E. Smith, combined, 1700; J. M. Forsker, 1000; Joseph Ainsworth, 1700; A. P. Davis, S. B. Williamson and a few other small lots bunched at a carload; the Hunter estate, 1800; the Rynearson and other small lots bring the total to a score of cars.

This large purchase cleans up the best of the apple crop on this side of the valley. There is one entire crop and several half crops and leave overs which will keep local shippers busy for some time yet, but the big bulk of 1908 apples is now sold. The prices have been a trifle below the normal during the winter, but considering the extreme unsteadiness of the national apple market earlier in the season, the sale prices paid yesterday are very satisfactory indeed. The most fancy price paid in several years is but very little higher than the quotations on a few of the very choice carloads sold since the holiday period commenced this winter.

Since the market has settled down to a degree at all favorable to the sellers and shippers alike, there has been a wide range in prices. Between 90 cents and $1.15 per box is the extreme both ways during the last few weeks, according to unofficial announcement.

Liverpool Wheat Market.

Liverpool, Jan. 7.—Wheat closed ¼ to ⅜d up; corn ⅝d up.

PACIFIC FLEET TO VISIT VALPARAISO

Washington, Jan. 7.—At the instance of the state department Secretary Newberry of the navy department has cabled Admiral Swinburne of the Pacific fleet to visit Valparaiso with his vessels on the northward cruise. The fleet is now at Talcahuano, where it arrived last Monday. It will remain until January 14. The change in orders followed the expressed desire of the Chilean government that the fleet visit Valparaiso.

Story Was Untrue.

Residents in the vicinity of First and Holladay streets were indignant when they read in the Oregonian this moring that a number of children of the neighborhood had been arrested for snowballing a streetcar and taken to the police station at 9 o'clock last evening. The names and addresses of the children alleged to have been arrested were published. But it transpired this morning that the children were not arrested and were not taken to the police station, the report in the Oregonian having had no basis except a warning from a police officer to the children that the frolic was going too far.

A typewriter in which the power is applied by air when the operator lightly touches the keys is a recent German invention, intended to relieve the user of fatigue and secure absolute uniformity in its printing.

KILLED IN PAPER MILL AT CAMAS

Edward J. Hannaford of Washougal Caught by Reel—Back Broken.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 7.—Edward J. Hannaford, an 18 year old youth employed at the Camas mill of the Crown-Columbia Paper company, was caught in a paper reel Tuesday night and thrown with great force across the room, where he was found later by fellow employes. Although still breathing when picked up, Hannaford expired shortly afterward, his back being broken.

How Hannaford got into the huge reel is not known. He was alone in the winding room at the time and as he was unable to talk when found there is no way of determining who, if anyone is to blame for his death. He was considered a careful man.

The young man is survived by his parents, who reside at Washougal, three miles east of Camas. The body has been removed to the home of his father and will be buried in the Washougal cemetery Friday.

SNOW AT VANCOUVER 15 INCHES DEEP

Ferry Service Discontinued and the Trains Are Hours Late—Slush Ice in River.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 7.—An official measurement made this morning by A. A. Guarnberg, local weather observer, shows that 11¼ inches of snow fell in this city up to 9 o'clock. This, however, cannot be relied upon to indicate the actual fall, as the wind has drifted the snow more or less in even the most protected places.

The Columbia river is full of floating slush ice, making navigation extremely difficult. The Vancouver ferry has been tied up at her moorings on the Vancouver side of the river since shortly after noon yesterday.

The Northern Pacific and North Bank trains are all late, though all have arrived up to this morning. Reports from along the North Bank line indicate that this evening's westbound train will be several hours late.

At 11 o'clock fully three inches additional snow had fallen, making in all nearly 15 inches. The mercury at 8 o'clock was 16 degrees above zero and at 11 o'clock had raised only 3 degrees.

The Vancouver traction company this morning put a force at work clearing the streetcar track along Main and Washington streets and it is hoped before night to have at least the Franklin avenue line running to the city limits.

At noon the river was practically blocked with ice and the indications are that a jam will occur above the new North Bank railway bridge. Not a boat has moved here since yesterday afternoon.

TANG SHAO YI GIVES TO THE RELIEF FUND

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, Jan. 7.—Tang Shao Yi, special Chinese ambassador, today sent a personal contribution of $500 to the American Red Cross society for the Italian relief fund. The total contributions received today amount to $38,415, including $10,000 from California. The total receipts now are $252,000. Ambassador Griscom today cabled the state department that the American relief ship Buyern carried supplies valued at $58,000.

WOMAN ROBBED AT DOOR OF HER HOME

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—Two thugs early today held up Mr