

LATEST NEWS OF THE STOCK MARKETS

STORAGE EGGS DECEMBER BOOST SHEEP VALUES AGGRAVATED BY RAINFALL. CATTLE AND HOGS FIRM. WILLAMETTE VALLEY MARKET IS BOOMING—BARLEY SHORTS ARE GREATLY EXCITED. WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS, NEW YORK VALUES ARE SHOWING LOSS TODAY.

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Advance of 1-2c Made in Wheat With Short Covering—Loses Later.

Another Advance of 5c at Stockdale—Calves Up, Too—Cattle and Hogs Firm.

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Egg market is breaking badly. Storage stock is being offered at various prices, but generally lower. Best season storage eggs are being offered in carlots at 34¢ per dozen. A. B. Portland, and in a jobbing way these eggs are being freely offered at 30¢ a dozen. June market offering at 28¢ and even lower, it is said.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—December shorts were scarce at the opening of the wheat market this morning, and the price 1 1/2¢ higher than the closing of last night. Other options opened 1/2¢ to 3/4¢ higher than the closing of last night. Closing today was 1/2¢ advanced for the December and 1/4¢ lower for the July and May respectively.

Portland Livestock Run. Today's Price Winners. Best cow steers, Calves 1180. A. B. Goodale, Gassella, Cal. Second best cow steers, 875. A. B. Goodale, Gassella, Cal. Best individual steer, 125. A. B. Goodale, Gassella, Cal. Second best individual steer, 115. E. L. Wiley, Walla Walla. Best cow, price 1150. A. L. DeMaris, Walla Walla. Second best cow, price 875. George Chandler, Baker City. Best individual cow, 125. Kidwell & Caswell, Walla Walla. Second best individual cow, 115. C. C. Clark, Arlington. Best cow speyed heifers, 1150. W. I. Dishman, Walla Walla.

RAINFALL FOR WHEAT. Portland, Dec. 14.—Walla Walla, 1.00; Pocatello, 1.00; Boise, 1.00; Spokane, 1.00; Lewiston, 1.00. Northwest Crop Weather. Oregon and Washington—Fair to night; mild Wednesday; light northeast wind. Idaho—Fair tonight and Wednesday.

New York, Dec. 14.—Stock market was quiet today, with the trend of prices generally lower. But few advances were shown in values during the day. Southern Pacific acted out of line with other securities, and its closing was with a fraction of a point advanced over yesterday.

POTATO SHIPMENTS GROWING. California and Arizona are taking supplies—Onions are firmer. Potato market is showing an improved volume of shipping. Prices paid in the country range from 60¢ to 75¢ per hundred pounds, according to quality, while the jobbing price along front street has been placed generally at \$1.

Portland Livestock Run. Union Stockyards, Stockdale, Dec. 14.—On the opening of the market, it was quite natural that the trade should be rather excited and nervous, and it was to be more thoroughly informed the most excellent showing of cattle ever made to the Portland yards.

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California Tomatoes Up. Price advanced to \$1.50 and \$1.75 a crate along front street. California tomatoes have been advanced in the local market. The latest arrivals from the south were in excellent condition and because of the scarcity, the price was easily placed at \$1.50 to \$1.75 per hundred pounds.

First Carload of Live Chickens Here. The first car of live poultry to come to this market from Eastern Oregon, arrived this morning. The shipment was from Elgin and consisted of chickens and turkeys. It was sold to the Union Meat company.

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Butter Demand Smaller. Higher Price Curtails Consumption—Cheese Firm but Unchanged. Since the last advance in the price of butter, makers are finding that they have better supplies than they anticipated. This has resulted in the curtailing of the demand by the record values now in effect.

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LARGE SUM FOR ROSE FESTIVAL

Refuses to Appear as Witness Against Restaurant Keeper.

R. W. Hoyt, president of the Rose Festival association, has been informed by B. S. Jansely, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, that the company will contribute \$7500 towards the expense of the Rose Festival to be held in Portland from June 5 to 11, 1910.

PRODUCE PRICES IN NORTH AND SOUTH

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Eggs, per dozen, including cases—32¢, 34¢; firsts, 47¢; storage extras, 35¢; Butcher, per pound—Extras, 15¢; firsts, 12¢; seconds, 25¢; storage extras, 30¢; loafers, 25¢; firsts, 35¢.

SEATTLE PRODUCE MARKET

Seattle, Dec. 14.—Butter, per pound—Washington creamery firsts, 28¢; ranch, 26¢; eastern creamery, 35¢@38¢; storage, 25¢.

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