

# LATEST NEWS

## CALIFORNIA MUST PURCHASE OREGON POTATOES SOON

Southern State Has Only 80 Days' Supplies Remaining Even if None Are Shipped Out by Her Growers.

Within 80 days California will be entirely out of its own growth of potatoes unless it purchases from Oregon or other points.

This includes all supplies held in that state at the present time and if any shipments are made to outside points by California growers it means that supplies of California growth will be depleted before that period.

The news is startling, coming as it does after the huge holdings of the California growers have just been made public. At this time California has about 800,000 sacks of potatoes and at the rate of 10,000 sacks a day—which that state has used during the past few seasons, it means that only 80 days' supplies remain.

Growers in this state who can see when the top of the market will be reached are likely to be in a position to make some money this season unless all present signs are misleading. A complete revision of opinion regarding the potato market and prices is now being made by the trade.

With this information held, leading dealers have been out in the country recently trying to secure supplies for speculative purposes. Present prices offered are \$10 to \$12 per hundred pounds, 10 to 15 country shipping points. Whether this range will be advanced remains to be seen but the present situation is more bleak than has been known here for some days.

**Pink Beans Higher.**

Pink beans are 1/2 a pound higher here owing to the smaller offerings by California growers and the advanced values asked.

**No Razor Clams Arrive.**

No razor clams were offering in the local market again today. This makes two days that no shipments have come from the coast on account of stormy weather.

**Cleaning Up Pear Crop.**

The trade is cleaning up the last offerings of Winter Nellis pears and is quoting \$1.50 to \$1.75 for supplies.

**Head Lettuce Takes Market.**

On account of unusually good quality of the Los Angeles offerings of head lettuce there is but little demand here for household stock and the latter is selling at the lowest price in years.

**Cranberries Remain Dull.**

Trade in cranberries remains unsatisfactory in the front street trade and prices are very badly mixed.

**Heavy Hogs Sell Low.**

Many heavy hogs continue to come to the dressed meat market and for these prices are low. Fancy veal is in excellent demand around top figures.

**More Front Street Changes.**

The recent moving and enlarging of quarters of several front street houses has caused other street changes. The Columbia Fruit & Produce company has by taking the quarters occupied by George Rice previous to the move, doubled its own front space.

## FRONT STREET QUOTATIONS

**Hops, Wool and Hides.**

HOPS—Nominal. 1910 crop, choice, 13 1/2 to 14 1/2 c; prime to choice, 12 1/2 to 13 1/2 c; medium, 11 1/2 to 12 1/2 c; 1909 crop, nominal, 7 to 8 c.

WOOL—Nominal. 1910, Willamette valley, 15 1/2 to 16 1/2 c; eastern Oregon, 15 to 16 c.

**SHEEPskins.**—Shearling, 10 to 12 c; each; short wool, 25 to 30 c; medium wool, 20 to 25 c; long wool, 15 to 20 c.

**TALLOW.**—Prime, per lb., 6 c; No. 2 and grease, 5 1/2 c.

**HIDEs.**—Dry hides, 15 1/2 to 16 1/2 c; green, 14 1/2 to 15 1/2 c; calves, green, 12 1/2 to 13 1/2 c; calves, green, 12 1/2 to 13 1/2 c.

**MOHAIR.**—Nominal. 1910, 30 to 32 c.

## ALL LIVESTOCK IS STEADY TODAY IN CHICAGO YARDS

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Hogs are steady; left yards today, 14,000. Receipts, 10,000. Sales, mixed, \$5.00 to \$5.10; good and heavy, \$5.10 to \$5.20; rough, \$4.80 to \$5.00; light, \$4.80 to \$5.00. Cattle and sheep, steady.

## PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

Hogs, Cattle, Calves, Sheep.

Friday	175	90	4,710
Thursday	150	80	3,760
Wednesday	130	70	3,120
Tuesday	80	40	1,910
Monday	26	45	98
Week ago	70	40	910

## LIQUIDATION HITS THE STOCK MARKET

Selling Pressure Is Severe and List Is Lower; Better Feeling Abroad.

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## BIDDING 81 CENTS FREEY FOR CLUB; TRADE IS MIXED

Spread of 2c Is Openly Shown in Values of Wheat and Reports Are That Still Higher Price Is Paid.

## CHEESE SELL AT A QUARTER TO HALF CENT OFF TODAY

Price Is Being Shaded as Low as 16 3-4c Pound by Local Jobbers; Increased Production Is Hurting.

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Hogs: J. C. Morehead, Centerville, Wash. one load; George Yarra, Lebanon, Or., one load.

**Latest Livestock Trades.**

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