SLIGHTLY IMPROVED BUYING FOR TURKEYS IN FRONT ST. TRADE

Sales of Dressed Birds Being Made in a Limited Way at An Advance of 1 Cent Per Pound; Tomorrow's Receipts Will Tell.

Portland Produce Trade.
Eggs hold steady.
Chicken market weak.
Cheese dull but firm.
Butter holding firm.
Better call for turkeys.
Tomato market overfull.
No hops offering.
Dressed meats steady.

There is a slightly better feeling in the local turkey market and sales of fancy dressed birds are being made as high as 23c a pound. For cull stock there is little demand with values showing a rather wide range.

Most of the supplies of the local trade for Christmas will arrive tomorrow, therefore it is impossible to state at this time what the exact price will be. While the present buying indicates a somewhat better price than was at first indicated, this is deceptive for the reason that not enough stock has been sold as yet to firmly establish a price basis.

Shippers are again warned against the marketing of poor quality dressed birds. So unsatisfactory are prices generally for this class of stock that receivers are averse to handling it.

A few live turkeys are coming forward and are finding a rather good demand at 20c a pound.

Outside markets are showing no improvement.

TOMATO SUPPLIES HEAVY

Heavy supplies of California tomatoes are offering in the local trade and prices are lower at $1.25@1.50 a crate. Quality generally is good.

GROWERS HOLD BACK HOPS

Growers are still unwilling to accept hop prices being offered by dealers. More European business is offering and the market outlook is firmer generally.

CHICKENS ARE VERY SLOW

Very slow tone is showing in the chicken trade and cleanups are harder to make even at 12c a pound for live birds. Holdings along the street are still liberal and some will be carried over until Monday.

DULLNESS FAILS TO AFFECT

While the demand for cheese is rather slow the dullness has failed to affect the price even a fraction. Makers are firm in their views and are content to hold rather than shade quotations.

MANY POTATOES OFFERING

Extreme low prices now in effect in the potato trade here has not caused growers to hold back their offerings. In fact there are more supplies available for the trade than at any time since the season started.

PLENTY OF PRODUCE

The wants of the Christmas trade will be well taken care of in the wholesale produce market. There is no shortage apparent in any line and prices in general are lower than usual for this period of the season.

FORECAST FOR SHIPPERS

Weather bureau sends the following notice to shippers:

"Protect shipments as far north as Seattle against minimum temperatures of about 34 degrees; northeast to Spokane, 24 degrees; southeast to to Boise, 12 degrees; south to Siskiyou, 24 degrees. Minimum temperature at Portland tonight, about 34 degrees."

PORTLAND JOBBING PRICES

These prices are those at which wholesalers sell to retailers, except as otherwise stated:

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER—Nominal, extra creamery, cubes and tubs, 37½c; prints, 39c; dairy, 24c.

EGGS—Nominal — Candled local extras, 32c; ordinary candled, 21c; spot buying price, loss off, 28c f. o. b. Portland; best eastern, 25c; ordinary, 20c; seconds, $3.00@3.50 case.

LIVE POULTRY — Hens, 12c; springs, 12c; geese, 13c; Pekin ducks, 13@13½c; Indian Runners, 12c; turkeys, 16@18c; dressed, 20@22c; pigeons, old, $1; young, $1.50 doz.

GAME—Jackrabbits, $1.50 per dozen; wild geese, $5 dozen.

BUTTER FAT—Producers' price, for Portland delivery, per lb., 38c.

CHEESE—Nominal; fresh Oregon fancy, full cream, twins and triplets, 19c; daisies, 19¼c; Young America, 20½c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

FRESH FRUITS—New navel oranges, $1.65@3.00; bananas, 5c lb.; lemons, $5.75@6.50; limes, $1 per 100; grapefruit, $3.50@4.50; pineapples, 5c lb.; pears, $1.00@1.50 box; grapes, baskets, 15c; crates, $1.00@1.10; cranberries, local, $9.50 per bbl.; eastern, $10.50@11.00; Persian dates, 7½@8c lb.

APPLES—75c@$2.25; cooking, 50@60c box.

POTATOES—Selling price: Extra choice, 65@75c; choice, 60c; ordinary, 50c per sack; buying price, carloads, 40@50c country points; sweets, $2.50 per cental.

ONIONS — $1.15@1.25; association selling price, 75c per cental, f. o. b. shipping points; California onions, 80@90c; garlic, 7½@8c.

VEGETABLES—New turnips, 60@75c; new beets, $1.00; carrots, 60@75c per sack; parsnips, $1@1.25 sack; cabbage, $1.00@1.25; tomatoes, per box, $1.50; string beans, 8@10c; green onions, 10c dozen bunches; peppers, bell, 10@12c lb.; head lettuce, $2.00 per crate; celery, 75@85c dozen; egg plants, 8@10c lb.; peas, 10c lb.; cauliflower, 75c@$1.00; rhubarb, $1.25 box.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS — Country killed: Hogs, fancy, 9½@10c; ordinary, 9@9½c; rough and heavy, 8c; fancy veal, 13@13½c; ordinary, 13c; poor 10c; lambs, 10@10½c; mutton, 7@8c; goats, 3@4c; beef, 7@10c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Hams, 18½@19½c; breakfast bacon, 18½@27c; boiled ham, 27½c; picnics, 13c; cottage, 18c.

MEATS—Packing house—Steers, No. 1 stock, 12c; cows, No. 1 stock, 11c; ewes, 9½c; wethers, 10½c; lambs, 12c; pork loins, 17½c.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon (—); per 100 lb. sack (—); Olympia, per gallon, $3.25; per 100 lb. sack, $9; canned, eastern, 55c can; $6.50 dozen; eastern in shell, $1.75@2 per 100; razor clams, $2@2.25 box.

FISH—Nominal—Rock cod, 10c lb.; dressed flounders, 7c; halibut, 9@11c; striped bass, 20c; catfish, 12c; salmon, 10@12½c; soles, 7c lb.; shrimps, 12½c; perch, 8c lb.; tomcod, 8c lb.; lobsters, 20c lb.; herrings (—); black bass, 20c; sturgeon, 12½c; silver smelt, 7c; black cod, 7c; eastern oysters, full measure, solid pack, $3 per gallon.

LARD—Tierces, 14½c lb.; compound, tierces, 10c.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

WOOL—Willamette valley, coarse, Cotswold, 19@20c lb.; medium Shropshire, 21c; choice fancy lots, 22c per lb.; eastern Oregon, 14@20c, according to shrinkage.

HOPS—Producers' price—1912, 15@19c, according to quality.

MOHAIR—1912, 32½c lb.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK—1912 nominal, car lots 5½c; less car lots, 5c lb.; 1912 bark, car lots, 6c; less carlots 5⅝c lb.

HIDES—Dry hides, 21@22c; green, 12c; salted hides, 13c; bulls, green salt, 9c; kips, 13@14c; calves, dry, 24@25c; calf skins, salted or green, 18@19c; green hides, 1@1½c less than salted; sheep pelts, salted, 85c@$1.10; dry, 13c lb.

Groceries.

RICE—Japan style, No. 1, 5½@5⅝c; No. 2, 4½c; New Orleans head, 5⅞@7c; Creole, 5½c.

SUGAR—Cube, $6.15; powdered, $6.00; fruit or berry, $5.85; beet, $5.55; dry granulated, $5.75; D yellow, $5.05. (Above quotations are 30 days net cash.)

BEANS—Small white, 5½c; large white, 5c; pink, 5c; bayou, 4½c; limas, 8¾c; reds, 5c.

SALT—Coarse, half grounds, 100s, $10 per ton; 50s $10.75; table dairy, 50s, $18; 100s, $17.50; bales, $2.25; extra fine barrels, 2s, 5s and 10s, $5.25@6.00; lump rock, $20.50 per ton.

HONEY—New, $2.75 per case.

Paints, Coal Oil, Etc.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 8c per lb.; 500 lb. lots, 8c per lb.; less lots, 8½c per lb.

LINSEED OIL—Raw bbls. 50c gal.; kettle boiled, bbls. 52c gal.; raw cases, 55c; boiled, cases, 57c gal.; lots of 250 gallons 1c less; oil cake meal, $44 per ton.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 73c; wood barrels, 70c; iron barrels, 60c per gallon; 10 case lots, 72c.

OIL MEAL—Carload lots, $37.50; less than carload lots, $40 per ton.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

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SMALLEST STOCKS OF WOOL WILL BE HELD WITH YEAR'S OPENING

Holdings in United States Unusually Limited; Efforts of Big Interests to Depress Trade Have No Effect Upon Price.

With the prospects that carryover stocks of wool in the United States on January 1 will be the smallest known for many years by the trade, indications point to a much improved buying demand after the turn of the year.

Stocks of wool in the Pacific northwest are almost too nominal to base a market, but nevertheless a small amount of fleece is being moved each week, and prices are rigidly maintained.

Efforts of big manufacturers to depress the price have failed at all points.

A correspondent of The Journal wires the following regarding the situation at Boston:

"Smaller sales of wool for the past week are reported at the local market, though considerable activity is noted in fleeces. Large sales of fine unwashed Delaines, the grade which has heretofore been neglected, have been made. Aside from the slight price shading here and there, that is usual in cleaning up the year's clip, dealers are letting prospective customers go away rather than accept bids under asking prices.

"As most mills take account of stock some time during December, they naturally hesitate to stock up heavily just prior to that event. The week's sales, it is estimated, have not exceeded 1,500,000 pounds. Of this amount over 600,000 pounds are fleece wools, mostly the finer grades.

"Available stocks are being so steadily reduced that some dealers say they will be the smallest ever carried into a new year. The plan adopted in 1911 for ascertaining the total stock at the year's end will be repeated, having given general satisfactin a year ago. Each woolhouse will send chartered accountants the amount of unsold wool it holds, but the acountants will make public only the total amount."

SMALL DOWNTURN IN WHEAT

Chicago Market Is Nominally Lower; Argentina Helps Bears.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—There was a fractional downturn of wheat prices at the closing of the market today. Condition of the foreign trade was the principal factor although increasing stocks at primary points were an influence for the bear account.

News from Argentina was favorable for the harvest and this caused selling abroad.

Cash wheat, No. 2 red, $1.08@1.09½; No. 3 red, $1.04@1.07; No. 2 hard winter, 88@89c; No. 3 hard winter, 86@87c; No. 1 northern spring, 87@88c; No. 2 northern spring, 85@86c.

Range of Chicago prices furnished by Overbeck & Cooke company, 216-217 Board of Trade building:

Month.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT				
Dec.	86⅝	86¾	86⅜	86⅝
May	91¼	91⅜	91	91 B
July	88	88⅛	87⅞	88 B
CORN				
Dec.	48¼	48¼	48	48⅛B
May	49⅝	49¼	48⅞	48⅞B
July	49⅝	49⅞	49½	49½A
OATS				
Dec.	33	33¼	33	33¼A
May	33⅝	33⅝	33¼	33¼A
July	33½	33½	33⅜	33⅜B
PORK				
Jan.	1812	1812	1795	1795 A
May	1822	1827	1807	1807
LARD				
Dec.	1012	1012	1010	1010 A
Jan.	997	1000	985	985
May	1000	1000	990	990
RIBS				
Jan.	980	980	967	967
May	977	980	970	970 A

NORTHWEST BANK STATEMENT

Portland Banks.

Clearings.	This week.	Year ago.
Saturday	$1,726,018.15	$1,277,222.00
Friday	1,608,275.73	1,645,441.62
Thursday	1,724,932.40	1,571,976.70
Wednesday	2,080,411.85	1,885,360.19
Tuesday	2,217,103.32	1,744,504.62
Monday	2,451,571.12	2,126,552.03
Totals	$11,808,312.57	$10,251,057.16

Seattle Banks.

Clearings	$2,200,348.00
Balances	230,122.00

Money and Exchange.

London, Dec. 21.—Consols, 75; silver, 29d; bank rate, 5 per cent.

New York, Dec. 21.—Sterling exchange, long, $4.81½; short, $4.86; silver bullion, 62¾c.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 21.—Sterling exchange, 60 days, $4.80¼; sight, $4.85; doc., $4.79¾; transfers, telegraphic, 5 per cent premium; sight, 2½ per cent premium.

San Francisco Produce Market.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Eggs—Extras, 30c; select pullets, 27c.

Butter—Extras, 33c; prime first, 32c; firsts, 31c.

Cheese—Oregon flats, 17c; Young America, 18c; California, 13@14½c; Young America, 16¼c.

Potatoes per cental—River Burbanks, 30@45c; Salinas, 90c@$1.10; sweets, per sack, 80c@$1.15.

Onions—Per cental—Silverskins, 25@40c; Australian brown, 25@35c.

Seattle Produce Market.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 21.—Eggs—Local ranch, 37@38c; eastern fresh, 34c; April storage, 28c; hot weather eastern storage, 22@24c.

Butter—Washington creamery firsts, 36@37c; eastern, 32c.

Cheese—Tillamook, 13c; Young Americas, 21c.

Onions—California, 90c@$1.00.

Potatoes—Local, $10.00@11.00; Yakima, $14.

HIGHER PRICES ARE LIKELY FOR HOGS IN ALL AMERICAN YARDS

East of the Rockies Trade Is Firmer With Advances General; No Offerings Come Forward to North Portland; Sheep Very Firm.

In the Stockyards.

North Portland—Hogs firmer, cattle and sheep firm.

Kansas City—Hogs higher, cattle steady, sheep firmer.

Chicago—Hogs higher, cattle and sheep steady.

South Omaha—Hogs higher, cattle steady, sheep steady.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Saturday	....	27	....	....
Friday	341	156	...	1020
Thursday	1102	32	...	2341
Wednesday	636	3	1	363
Tuesday	420	140	...	325
Monday	2516	843	1	4292
Week ago	157	263	2	436
Year ago	175	53	...	...
Two years ago	127	156	61	...

Higher prices are likely in the hog market here and elsewhere unless present indications are wrong. Further advances are shown east of the Rockies. There were no arrivals in the hog division at North Portland for the day, therefore values were not tested. They were nominally continued at yesterday's ruling.

At Chicago there was an advance of a dime in the price of hogs with tops moving well at $7.45.

Kansas City hog market was a nickel better than yesterday with tops at $7.40.

South Omaha showed a further rise of 5c for the day, tops reaching $7.25 this morning.

North Portland hog market range:

Best light	$7.35
Medium light	7.25@7.30
Best heavy	7.25
Medium heavy	7.00
Heavy	6.50@7.00

Cattle Trade Is Strong.

No business passed in the cattle market at North Portland during the day. There was a nominal showing of 27 head in the supplies, but these were not offering this morning.

Conditions in the cattle trade remain firm, with prices showing no change.

At Chicago there was a steady tone in the cattle trade, with prices stationary around yesterday's average.

Kansas City had a firm tone for cattle this morning, with only a nominal supply available.

South Omaha had no cattle on the market today, trade there being considered nominally steady to strong.

Cattle shippers today: J. R. Campbell, Madras, 1 load; Oregon Auto Dispatch Co., Portland, 1 load.

North Portland cattle range:

Heavy fed steers	$7.75@7.90
Choice steers	7.50
Common steers	7.25
Spayed heifers	6.60
Fancy cows	6.25
Ordinary light cows	6.00
Fancy light cows	6.75
Heavy calves	5.00@6.50
Best bulls	4.00@5.00
Ordinary bulls	4.00@4.25

No Sheep for Market.

No supplies were available for the trade in the mutton market today, following the liberal offerings of yesterday and Thursday. While killers are getting about their requirements, they have no surplus to spare, and therefore they are eager bidders whenever anything is offering in the yards.

At Chicago there was a steady tone in the sheep trade, prices being unchanged.

Kansas City sheep market was firmer, but no supplies were offered today.

South Omaha sheep values were steady, with top lambs $7.90, yearlings $6.50, wethers $4.85 and ewes $4.35.

General mutton market:

Best east mountain lambs	$6.75
Good east mountain lambs	6.25@6.40
Best Willamette valley lambs	6.00@6.50
Good Willamette valley lambs	5.00@6.00
Poor lambs	5.00
Best yearlings	5.25
Ordinary wethers	5.00
Fancy ewes	4.00@4.35
Good ordinary ewes	3.00@4.00

Saturday Livestock Sales.

Buyer.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
HOGS			
Union Meat Co.	9	163	$7.20

OMAHA HOGS ADVANCE

Further Rise of 5 Cents for the Day; Other Lines Holding.

South Omaha, Dec. 21.—Cattle—none. Hogs—3500; market opened strong to 5c higher, closed easier at $7.10@7.25. Sheep—3000, market steady. Yearlings, $5.75@6.50; wethers, $4.50@4.85; lambs, $7.50@7.90; ewes, $4.00@4.35.

CHICAGO HOGS HIGHER

Market Is Up a Dime With Tops at $7.45 in the Yards.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Hogs, 9000; year ago, holiday; left over, 4900; market, 10c higher; mixed and butchers', $7.00@7.45; heavy, $7.35@7.45; rough and heavy, $7.00@7.30; light, $7.00@7.37½. Cattle, 700; market steady. Sheep, 2500; market steady.

KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK

Hogs Nickel Higher; Firmer Demand for Sheep.

Kansas City, Dec. 21.—Hogs—1500; market 5c higher; tops, $7.40. Cattle—100; market steady. Sheep—none; market firmer.

San Francisco Grain Calls.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Grain calls:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
BARLEY				
December	145	146	145	146
May	131¼	131½	131¼	131
December, 1913	126 B	...	...	128⅛A
WHEAT				
N. December	136	136	136	136
May	150 B	...	...	150 B
OATS				
N. December	155 A	...	...	155 A

New York Cotton Market.

Month.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	1276	1277	1260	1269@70
March	1270	1271	1253	1261@63
April	...	...	...	1263@67
May	1268	1269	1251	1263@66
July	1259	1259	1244	1254@55
August	1238	1243	1238	1243@44
September	...	...	...	1292@93
October	1284	1288	1275	1286@89
December	1275	1275	1260	1265@66

Emil Beckman, Aged 61, Dies.

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 21.—Emil Beckman, 61 years old, died at St. Joseph's hospital this morning of dropsy. Mr. Beckman came to this county from Idaho a year ago and has lived near Hockinson. He is survived by a wife, two sons, Arthur and Carl, at home, and a daughter, Mrs. John Smeed of Idaho, one brother and sister, both living in Colorado. The body is being held at Knapp's undertaking parlors awaiting funeral arrangements, which will be completed today.

Alleged Deserter Arrested.

Vancouver, Wash. Dec. 21.—Officer James Burkhart yesterday afternoon arrested in Portland and brought to this city an alleged deserter, A. B. Careswell, of the United States army. He was turned over to the federal authorities.

MANIPULATORS BRING EGGS FROM BLAZE IN COLD STORAGE PLANT

Los Angeles Supplies From Ice House Destroyed by Fire Are Big Factor in Ruining Prices in Fresh Goods Recently.

Full confirmation has been made by local dealers regarding the report printed in The Journal some time ago that damaged stocks of eggs from the Los Angeles cold storage fire would be marketed in this city.

At the time the report was printed in this paper, others took extra pains to discredit the news in order to help out those who were trying to manipulate the market here. It is known positively that one carload was received on Front street, and reports indicate that in all four carloads came forward.

The marketing of so much damaged eggs of cheap quality was one of the big factors in putting down the price of fresh eggs here. The same interests who sent forward the damaged Los Angeles cold storage stock have been very prominent in quoting fictitious values for Oregon eggs in order to move cold storage supplies.

At the present time the market for fresh eggs is very quiet, while the cold storage is thoroughly demoralized, with little prospects of any improvement during the remainder of the season.

Fresh stock is generally quoted at 32c a dozen for candled goods along the street today.

OIL SUITS BRING THE STOCK MARKET DOWN

Filing of Case Against the Southern Pacific Company Causes Prices to Break in New York.

New York, Dec. 21.—The pace set yesterday was apparently a little bit too rapid to be maintained for any great length of time in the stock market under existing conditions so after a continuance of buoyancy in the first hour prices receded sharply with the downturn being led by Southern Pacific which presumably was under pressure owing to the suits being filed by the government for the recovery of oil lands. As indicated in morning advices as likely to be the case, quite a little long stock accumulated on recent declines for support and other purposes was marketed on the upturns, and the increased floating supply resulting therefrom was sufficient to produce quite a little irregularity.

There is little question but that sentiment has undergone a pronounced change for the better and that the foreign situation shows distinct signs of clearing but today's bank statement indicates rather forcibly that the domestic money position is not such as would warrant a pronounced expansion in loans.

Range of New York prices furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co., 216-217 Board of Trade building.

DESCRIPTION	Open	High	Low	Bid
Amalgamated Copper Co.	77⅞	77⅞	76	76⅜
American C. & F., c.	55	56	55	55⅝
American Can, c.	31⅞	32⅛	30¼	31½
American Can, pf.	117	117	116½	116½
American Loco., c.	43	43	42¼	42½
American Sugar, c.	119¼	119⅜	118½	118
American Smelt, c.	73⅜	74½	72⅞	72⅝
American Smelt, p.	105	105	104⅛	104
Anaconda Mining Co.	40¼	40½	39⅞	39⅝
Atchison, c.	106⅛	106⅜	106	106
Atchison, p	...	...	...	101⅞
B. & O., c.	105½	105½	104⅝	105⅛
Beet Sugar	53	53½	51½	51½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	89	89¼	88½	88¼
Canadian Pacific, c.	261	261⅝	260	260¼
Central Leather, c.	28⅛	29	28⅛	28⅜
Central Leather, pf.	...	...	...	92
C. & G. W., c.	16½	16½	16	16½
C. & G. W., pf.	...	...	...	31
C., M. & St. P.	113¼	113½	112	112
C. & N. W., c.	137	137	136	136
Chesapeake & Ohio	79⅝	79½	79	78⅝
Colorado F. & I., c.	33⅞	34	33⅜	33⅝
Consolidated Gas	141¼	141⅝	140	140½
Corn Products, c.	14⅝	15	14½	14½
Delaware & Hudson	163	163	163	163
Denver & R. G., pf.	...	...	...	38⅝
Erie, c.	32¼	32½	31⅝	31⅝
Erie, 2d pf.	39¼	39¼	39	39
Erie, 1st pf.	49½	49⅝	49½	49½
General Electric	185	185½	185	182½
G. Northern, ore lands	42¼	42½	42	41½
G. Northern, p.	135⅝	135½	134½	134⅝
Illinois Central	...	...	...	126
Int. Harvester	114	114	113	112
Int. Metropolitan, c.	18¼	18½	18	18
Int. Metropolitan, pf.	62½	62½	61⅝	61⅝
Lehigh Valley	172½	173	170⅝	171⅝
Kansas City Southern	27	27	26⅝	26⅝
L. & N.	141¼	141¼	141	140⅝
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	...	...	...	138½
M., K. & T., c.	27¼	27¼	27	27¼
M. K. & T., pf.	...	...	...	60
Missouri Pacific	42½	42½	41½	41⅝
National Lead	57¼	57¼	56½	56
Nevada Consolidated	19⅝	19⅝	19½	19½
New York Central	108⅝	109¼	108⅝	108⅝
N. Y., O. & W.	...	...	...	31
N. & W., c.	113⅜	113⅜	113	113
North American	80	80½	80	80
Northern Pacific, c.	122¼	122¼	120⅝	121
P. M. Steamship Co.	31	31¼	31	30½
Pennsylvania Ry.	122¼	122⅜	121⅝	121⅝
P. G., L. & C. Co.	113½	114	113¼	113
Pressed Steel Car, c.	35½	35½	35	35
Reading, c.	169¼	169⅝	167⅛	167¼
Reading, 1st pf.	89	89	89	89
Reading, 2d pf.	...	...	...	93
Republic I. & S., c.	27¼	27¼	27⅛	26½
Republic I. & S., pf.	...	...	...	85
Rock Island, c.	24½	24½	23⅝	24
Rock Island, p.	44½	44½	43½	44
St. L. & S. F., 2d p.	30¼	30½	30¼	30
St. L. & S. F., 1st p.	...	...	...	60
Southern Pacific, c.	107½	107⅝	103½	104⅝
Southern Railway, c.	28¼	28⅜	27⅝	27⅞
Southern Railway, p.	...	...	...	80½
Texas & Pacific	22½	22⅜	22½	20½
T., St. L. & W., c.	...	...	...	10
Union Pacific, c.	161½	162⅛	159¼	159⅝
Union Pacific, p.	92½	94	92	92½
U. S. Rubber, c.	65⅝	66	65	64⅝
U. S. Steel Co., c.	69⅛	69⅜	68	68
U. S. Steel Co., pf.	110	110⅛	109⅝	110
Utah Copper	58⅞	59⅛	58⅞	58½
Virginia Chemical	...	...	...	46¼
Wabash, c.	...	...	...	4
Wabash, pf.	...	...	...	13⅝
W. U. Telegraph	74½	74⅜	74	73⅝
Westinghouse Electric	80½	80⅝	80¼	79

Total sales 306,400 shares.

Death of Mrs. Williamson.

(Special to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Sophia Williamson, 48 years old, died yesterday morning at the family home at 1212 West Seventeenth street, after a short illness with pneumonia. She was born in Nebraska and later moved to Whitefish, Mont., from which place she came to Vancouver about two and one half years ago. She is survived by her husband and six children: Mrs. Mary Walton of Calgary, Alberta; Orin Williamson, Mrs. Daisy Grant and Miss Emma Williamson of Whitefish, Mont., and the Misses Ines and Clara Williamson of this city. The funeral services will be held in St. James' cathedral on Monday morning at 9 o'clock, and will be conducted by Rev. Father Verwilghen. Interment will be in the Catholic cemetery.

Clarke Real Estate Transfers.

(Special to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 21.—The following transfers of real estate were filed yesterday with the county auditor for record:

Hans Hansen to Anelven Hansen, 80 acres in section 24, township 4 north, range 3 east; $1.

Andrew Hansen to Hans Hansen, 35 acres in section 25, township 4 north, range 3 east; $1.

A. P. Anderson to A. Kampe and William Duggan, lots 11 and 12, in block 3, Moody & Rothrock addition to city of Vancouver; $350.

LOW BIDS IN WHEAT MARKET CENT HIGHER; TRADE HOLDING FIRM

Club Is Quoted Strong at 79 Cents and Bluestem at 83 Cents by Millers; Barley Is Quiet for Feed at $23 a Ton Here.

Damage Less Keen.
(Special Cable.)

Buenos Ayres, Argentina, Dec. 21.—Latest advances from the grain districts confirm yesterday afternoon reports that recent rains have done little damage to the crop. Harvesting is again in progress. The market is weaker in consequence.

PORTLAND GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
	Cars				
Monday	100	18	3	7	13
Tuesday	76	7	5	3	4
Wednesday	84	18	8	13	5
Thursday	61	5	1	6	7
Friday	77	10	4	3	8
Saturday	71	10	5	9	5
Year ago	65	..	5	7	11
Total this week	469	68	26	41	42
Year ago	417	16	40	38	52
Season to date	10,521	1373	1130	928	1126
Year ago	7,621	265	1350	903	1763

The wheat market is firmer for quality and bids for club are general today at 79c a bushel tidewater track basis. This is an advance of a cent from what some have been paying during the last 48 hours, although millers generally have been bidding this price for several days.

Desire of the milling fraternity for wheat supplies is keeping the market in very good shape here. Bluestem is in best demand with 83c being freely offered. This too is an advance in some bids.

There is a quiet tone in the barley market and bids generally are inactive at $23 a ton for No. 1 feed. Rolled is selling a dollar above this while as a rule there is a differential of $1.50 a ton.

There is a steady but slow trade in the oats market. Bids for the day are general at $25.00@25.50 for No. 1 feed, milling oats being quoted from 50c to $1.00 a ton above this.

No change is shown in the hay market trade, values being stationary at the same height the market has been ruling at for some days.

Patent flour is gaining strength, but beyond a little talk among millers of a probable advance in the future, nothing definite is known of any immediate change. Oriental business is quiet owing to the lack of steamer room. Orders are coming but cannot be confirmed on account of the lack of steamers.

Today's prices, Portland delivery:

WHEAT — Producers' prices, track basis: Club, 79c; bluestem, 83c; red Russian, 77c; fortyfold, 79c; Turkey red, 79c; Willamette valley, 79c.

BARLEY—Producers' prices, track basis: Feed, $23; brewing, $26; rolled, $24.00.

OATS—Producers' prices, track basis: No. 1 milling, $25.50@26.00; white, $25 ton.

FLOUR—Selling price: Patent, $4.10@4.30; Willamette valley, $4.20; local straight, $3.79@3.90; export, $3.50@$3.60; bakers, $4.10@4.30.

HAY—Producers' prices: Willamette valley timothy, fancy, $15; ordinary, $14.50; eastern Oregon - Idaho, fancy timothy, $16.50; alfalfa, $11.50@12.00; vetch and oats, $12; cheat, $10.50.

MILLSTUFFS—Selling price: Bran, $22.50; middlings, $30@31; shorts, $24 ton.

City News in Brief.

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 21.—Suit for divorce was filed in superior court yesterday by Leona Ferulano against Vincent Ferulano. The complaint states that they were married in Vancouver on October 11, 1911, and that the defendants failed to provide the necessary means for support. Plaintiff asks an absolute decree of divorce and $100 for suit money.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday by the county auditor to the following persons: Charles M. Strode and Mrs. Cordelia J. Lewis, both of Yacolt; Harry Hill and Alice Moore, both of Portland.

Senton McGlachlin, son of Major and Mrs. McGlachlin of Vancouver barracks, was the recipient yesterday of many farewell greetings from members of the high school faculty, the student body and the football team. He will leave on December 23 on an appointment to West Point. Among those who spoke were Cecil Knapp, captain, in behalf of the 1912 football team; Lloyd Hathaway, president, in behalf of the senior class; Verne Firestone, president, in behalf of the student body; Mrs. Elizabeth Sterling and Coach Lee Dillon.

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RIDGEFIELD AND SARA NEWS NOTES OF WEEK

(Special to The Journal.)

Ridgefield, Wash., Dec. 21.—H. A. Livermore, B. A. of the University of Durham, Eng., a seaman, surveyor, student, rancher and also a preacher, delivered a very interesting lecture at Ridgefield last night at the Commercial clubrooms to a fair sized crowd. His lecture was on "Socialism," and was freely illustrated by stereopticon views.

The annual homecoming and the tenth anniversary of the Knights of Pythias Lodge No. 124, of this city, was celebrated last night. At the time of organizing this lodge at Ridgefield, there were only 15 members enrolled, and now there are 62. After many speeches and music, vocal and instrumental, the Knights repaired to the banquet. Isaac Hughes, who has been keeper of records and seals of this lodge for the past ten years, has resigned, and J. W. Blackburn has been elected.

Following is the list of officers: Chancellor commander, John E. Rose; vice chancellor, Albert Sachtler; president, George C. Shinn; keeper of records and seals, J. W. Blackburn; master of finance, George W. Buker; master of exchequer, Thomas H. Blackstone; master at arms, Fred Fairbrothers; master of work, George R. Thomas; inner guard, George H. Pearson; outside guard, Walter Brunkow. The new trustees for the new term are: Isaac Hughes, Charles Rathbun and Fred Horn.

In looking over the country in and around the vicinity of Sara, Wash., south of here, one can notice a great deal of improvement during the past year. J. M. Custard, a prominent rancher, has built a handsome residence and Ira Dasher, another prosperous farmer, has remodeled his former house into an attractive bungalow. Frank Swick has also just moved into his new house, which is one of the cosiest homes in the neighborhood. New barns have been built by J. Phinney, Zenas Huntington and J. A. Santee. A Fradenburg has improved his residence by adding a new porch. The Sara merchants, J. T. Harris and A. F. Struchen, have improved their store buildings. The Christian church people recently erected a house of worship and will occupy it the first time tomorrow.

There has been much land cleared recently, and it will mostly be put into orchards. J. T. Harris has received a large consignment of 7500 trees, which were taken by farmers in this vicinity. Mr. Harris put put out 1200 trees himself. There is every indication that 1913 will be prosperous in every line. The Stone Lumber company shipped one car of lumber to Maryland and another to Virginia, recently.

Council Holds Shortest Meeting.

(Special to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 21.—One day previous to the shortest day in the year the city council held the shortest session of the past two years. At the adjourned meeting last night the body adopted resolutions for the issuance of bonds for the Twenty-ninth street improvement, after which it immediately adjourned. The claim of Chris Englemen for $50 against the city for alleged damage caused by a broken sewer pipe was carried over, and will be taken up at the next regular meeting, January 6.

Cars of Christmas Trees Go South.

(Special to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 21.—Two carloads of Christmas trees have been sent out of this county this week to San Francisco over the O.-W. R. & N. Another shipment will go forward today or tomorrow for points in Oregon.

S. P. Stocks Slump.

New York, Dec. 21.—Southern Pacific shares were beaten down three and one-fourth points in the stock market at one time today and the closing was two and one-fourth points lower than yesterday. Union Pacific lost three points.

The suit of the government against the Southern Pacific to recover extensive oil lands in California was the basis of an attack of the bears upon the company's securities today. The rest of the market was affected.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

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