EGG MARKET STRONG AT ALL POINTS WITH LOCAL SUPPLY SHORT

Situation Along Front Street Is the Best of the Season to Date; Case Count Selling Up to 19½c and Arrivals Are Quickly Cleaned Up.

PORTLAND PRODUCE TRADE.

Eggs are firmer.
Chicken prices raised.
Hop demand continues.
Butter shortage felt.
Cheese very firm.
Country hogs lower.
Veal market steady.
Apple prices holding.
Lower asparagus prices.

On every side strength is shown in the egg situation. Prices along the coast are generally firmer and higher and the outlook is seemingly good for a continuance of present conditions.

In the local market stocks of eggs are rather scarce. Few of the dealers are getting as many cases as usual for this period of the season, while the demand is best. Eggs are selling, case count, at 19@19½c dozen, with most of the business at the higher figure. Few transactions are reported for candled stock, this quality being nominally quoted at an advance of but ½c over the case count.

Considering the excellent quality of the eggs now coming forward from the country there is practically no need of candling at this time, therefore even the best trade is willing to purchase at mark. Country shippers are evidently awakened to the fact that they have been losing much money by holding their supplies off the market and are now making more frequent shipments to the wholesale trade.

CHICKENS ARE HIGHER

With a liberal demand and very small shipments from the country, the market for chickens is again firmer and higher in the Front street trade. Values were generally lifted ½c a pound during the last 24 hours. Hens are selling at 17c.

LITTLE BUTTER IS AVAILABLE

Although strenuous efforts are being made by selling interests to secure stocks of butter at other Pacific northwest points, offerings continue less than the demand. Some supplies will again be brought forward from California.

ASPARAGUS DOWN A CENT

Market for asparagus is down a cent a pound along Front street, with receipts somewhat heavier from the south. Sales were generally made at 11c today, although some green stock in pyramids was sold up to 12½c.

SHADING PRICE OF HOGS

Arrivals of country killed hogs have been so liberal in the local market during the present week that some of the receivers have been forced to shade former values ½c a pound. Sales of best quality are now generally reported at 11½c, although a small amount of business may still be shown at 12c.

FAMINE IN SALMON MARKET

There is a famine in fresh salmon in the local market and practically no supplies were shown in wholesalers' hands. Stocks of frozen salmon are much smaller than usual, and the price is firmly held at 9c a pound.

APPLE TRADE IS STEADY

"There is a steady tone in the apple trade," says W. H. Dryer of Dryer, Bollam & Co. "Trading is on a good basis and prices are being maintained at practically the same point as during the last two weeks."

FORECAST FOR SHIPPERS

Weather bureau sends the following notice to shippers:

Protect shipments as far north as Seattle against minimum temperatures of about 24 degrees; northeast to Spokane, 14 degrees; southeast to Boise, 12 degrees; south to Siskiyou, 28 degrees. Minimum temperature at Portland tonight, about 30 degrees.

PORTLAND JOBBING PRICES

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

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER — Nominal. City creamery, cubes and tubs, 37½c; prints, 39c; state creamery, 37@38c lb.; dairy, 23c.

EGGS — Nominal. Candled local extras, 20c; case count, 19@19½c; spot buying price, loss off, 18½@19c f. o. b. Portland.

LIVE POULTRY — Hens 17c; fryers, 19c; broilers, 25c; stags, 11c; geese, 12½c; Pekin ducks, 19c; Indian Runners, 17c; turkeys, 20c; dressed, 23@25c; pigeons, old, $1; young, $1.50 dozen.

CHEESE—Nominal, fresh Oregon fancy full cream twins and triplets, 17c; daisies, 17½c; Young America, 18½c.

BUTTER FAT—Producers' price, for Portland delivery, per lb., 39c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

FRESH FRUITS—New navel oranges, $3.50@4.00; bananas, 4¾@5c lb.; lemons, $7.50@8.00; limes, $1 per 100; grapefruit, California, $3.00@3.50; Florida, $4.50@4.75; pineapples, 5c lb.; pears (—) box; cranberries, local, $9.75 bbl.; eastern, $10.50@11.00; Persian dates 7½@8c lb.

APPLES—Eating apples, 50c@$1.50; cooking, 40@50c a box.

POTATOES—Selling price: Extra choice, 55c; choice, 45c; ordinary, 40c per sack; buying price, carloads, 35@40c country points; sweets, $4 per cental; new potatoes, 10c lb.

ONIONS—$1.10; association selling price, 85c per cental f. o. b. shipping point; garlic, 7½@8c.

VEGETABLES — Turnips, 75c; beets, 75c; carrots, 75c per sack; parsnips, 75c sack; cabbage $1.25@1.50; Florida tomatoes, box, $4.50; Mexican lugs, $2.25; green onions, 12½@15c doz. bunches; peppers, bell, 25c lb.; head lettuce, $2.25 crate; celery, 90c@$1 dozen, $4.50 crate; egg plant, 20c lb.; cauliflower, $2@2.25 crate; rhubarb, 7c; artichokes, $1.25@1.75 doz.; sprouts, 10c lb.; asparagus, 10@12½c lb.; spinach, local, 3c lb.; Walla Walla, $1 box.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—Producers' price 1912, 16@20c, according to quality, 1913 contracts, 15c lb.

WOOL—Nominal—1913 clip—Willamette valley, coarse, Cotswold, 18c lb.; medium Shropshire, 19c; choice, fancy lots, 20c lb.; eastern Oregon, 14@17c, according to shrinkage.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK—1912 nominal, car lots, 5c; less car lots, 5c lb.; 1911 bark, car lots, 5@5½c; less car lots, 5c lb.

MOHAIR—1913—32c lb.

HIDES—Dry hides, 21@22c; green, 11c; salted hides, 13c bulls, green salt, 9c; kips, 13@14c; calves, dry, 24@25c; calf skins, salted or green, 17@21c; green hides, 1@1½c less than salted; sheep pelts, salted, 85c@$1.10; dry, 13c lb.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS — Country killed: Hogs, fancy, 11½c; ordinary, 11c; rough and heavy, 9c; fancy veals, 14½@15c; ordinary, 13½c; poor, 11c; lambs, 10@10½c; mutton, 7@8c; goats, 3@4c; beef, 9@11c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Hams, 18½@20½c; breakfast bacon, 17@27c; boiled ham, 27½c; picnics, 12½c; cottage, 18c.

MEATS—Packing house—Steers, No. 1 stock, 13@13½c; cows, No. 1 stock, 12@12½c; ewes, 10½@11c; wethers, 11½@12c; lambs, 13½c; pork loins, 16½c.

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.

LARD — Tierces, 14c; compound, tierces, 9¾c.

FISH—Nominal—Rock cod, 10c lb.; dressed flounders, 7c; halibut, 10c; striped bass 20c; catfish, 12c; salmon, 9c; soles, 7c lb.; shrimps, 12½c; perch, 8c lb.; tomcod, 8c lb.; lobsters, 20c lb.; herring (—); black bass, 20c; sturgeon, 12½c; silver smelt, 8c; Columbia smelt, $1 box; black cod 8c.

Groceries.

SUGAR—Cube, $5.05; powdered, $5.50; fruit of berry, $5.35; best, $5.05; dry granulated, $5.25; D yellow, $4.55. (Above quotations are 30 days net cash.)

HONEY—New, $2.75 per case.

RICE—Japan style, No. 1, 5½@5¾c; No. 2, 4½c; New Orleans head, 5¾@7c; Creole, 5½c.

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.

BEANS—Small white, 5¼c; large white, 5c; pink, 5c; bayou, 4½c; limas, 3¾c; reds, 5c.

Paints, Coal Oil, Etc.

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

OIL MEAL—Carload lots, $36.00; less than carload lots, $40 per ton.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 73c; wood barrels, 70c; iron barrels, 66c per gallon; 10 case lots, 72c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls., 56c per gal.; kettle boiled, bbls., 58c gal.; raw cases, 61c; boiled, cases, 63c gal.; lots of 250 gallons 1c less; oil cake meal, $44 per ton.

Seattle Produce Market.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., March 21.—Eggs: Local ranch, 21@22c.

Butter: Washington creamery, firsts, 39c; city creamery, 39c.

Cheese: Tillamook, 18c; Young Americas, 21c.

Onions: California, 1¼c per lb.; green, 30c per dozen; Oregon, $1.25 per sack; Walla Walla, $1.

Potatoes: $10@12 per ton.

Oats: Eastern Washington, $31; Puget Sound, $29@30.

SHORTHORN CATTLE SELL AT GOOD PRICE AT NORTH PORTLAND

Under Direction of Auctioneer Plummer, Secretary of the Yards, Good Values Are Realized; California Interests Are Buyers.

Much interest was shown yesterday in the sale of the Minor-Dunn-Brown shorthorn cattle at North Portland. Bidding was lively and under the direction of O. M. Plummer, good prices were realized. Following were the sales during the morning:

Bull—Golden Lad second, owned by W. O. Minor, Heppner, sold to W. C. Edwards, Drain, $220.

Bull—Lyndon Chief, owned by Frank Brown, Carlton, sold to John Bull, Ellensburg, Wash., $230.

Cow—Golden Frantic, owned by W. O. Minor, Heppner, sold to Dr. James Withycombe, O. A. C., $320.

Cow—Star's Beauty, 75,816, owned by Frank Brown, sold to J. H. McCroskey, Sprague, Wash., $380.

Cow—Ida B., 121,822, owned by A. D. Dunn, Wapato, sold to M. S. Rose, Mayten, Cal., $250.

Bull—Pride's Goods, second, owned by W. O. Minor, sold to W. C. Edwards of Drain at $200.

Bull—Wide Awake, owned by Frank Brown, Carlton, sold to M. F. Rose, Mayton, Cal., $180.

Bull—Bert's Bud, 370,310, owned by A. B. Dunn, Wapato, sold to J. L. Gilthrest, Portland, $200.

Cow—Peaceful, fifth, owned by W. O. Minor, sold to M. S. Rose, Mayten, Cal., $215.

Cow—Meadow Brook Mary, sixth, owned by Frank Brown, sold to O. M. Plummer, $180.

Cow — Minority Amanda, 138,048, owned by A. B. Dunn, sold to M. S. Rose, $220.

Bull—George King, owned by W. O. Minor, sold to J. H. McCroskey, Sprague, Wash., $375.

Bull—Lord Westerlook, owned by Frank Brown, to John Bull, Ellensburg, Wash., $410.

Bull—Lord Sharon, sold by A. B. Dunn to Joe Smith, Corvallis, $200.

Cow—Golden Rosebud, fourth, sold by W. O. Minor to J. H. McCroskey, $210.

Cow—Meadow Brook Daisy, sold by Frank Brown to W. C. Edwards, Drain, $400.

Cow—Edna Welcome, 44,389, sold by A. B. Dunn to M. F. Rose, $200.

Bull—Master Good, sold by W. O. Minor to J. C. Walker, Corvallis, $215.

Bull—Scottish Sunrise, second, 367,385, sold by Frank Brown to Joe Turner, $350.

Bull—Victor Boy, sold by A. B. Dunn to W. W. Burrows, Ridgefield, Wash., $170.

Cow—Lovely Lorne, 116,741, sold by Frank Brown to John Bull, $230.

Cow—Choice Bred, eighth, 113,604, sold by W. O. Minor to M. F. Rose, $505.

Cow—Leta, 121,827, sold by A. B. Dunn to M. F. Rose, $250.

Industrial News of the Coast

Sumner, Wash. — Negotiations which have been under way for two months to buy the Bussell fruit cannery at Sumner, Wash., by the Puyallup and Sumner Fruit Growers' association, have been closed by the latter buying it at $20,145.72, to be paid for in $2500 annual payments after deducting the cost payment of $2645.72.

Los Angeles, Cal.—More than $1,000,000 in bonds of the state highway are being purchased by the banks of southern California, who are giving great aid to the construction of the highway, according to a statement issued by N. D. Darlington, state highway commissioner. The amount subscribed for these bonds by the southern banks is sufficient to construct the highway from San Diego to Santa Barbara.

Seattle, Wash.—As preliminary to a movement to induce the National Life Underwriters' association to hold its national convention in the northwest during 1915, the Puget Sound Underwriters' association, at its regular meeting, adopted a resolution asking the Tacoma and Oregon life insurance underwriters to join with it in calling a northwest congress of life insurance underwriters to be held in Seattle.

Red Bluff, Cal.—The big alfalfa field near Gerber, about four miles north of Tehama, is being transformed into hopfields at this time. It will make a field of about 200 acres of hop vines.

Ritzville, Wash.—The Keystone Water Users' association has completed organization, and the following trustees took their oath of office yesterday: H. W. Goff, J. J. Kanzler, Fred Busher, R. I. Stone and Arthur Funk. The company plans to take water from Sprague lake, 18 miles northeast of here, and for the first unit to irrigate 10,000 acres of land which lie between here and the lake.

Deary, Idaho.—The first grain elevator to handle grain in bulk in Latah county will be erected in Deary if plans perfected at a meeting of prominent ranchers of the upper Potlatch reach their culmination. The plan is for a stock company composed of grain growers in the near-Deary vicinity to incorporate.

Libby, Mont.—The Libby Lumber company has started its big mill for the season's run. The mill started with two full shifts, and will be run night and day the rest of the year. The mill was not closed until February.

Peck, Idaho—Some 20 farmers met here and went into an organization which has for its object the promotion of a cannery at Peck. It is not the intention of the farmers to take cooperative action, but they will work through their organization to interest private capital.

Lewiston, Idaho—All telephone lines in the Lewiston orchards have been merged and the company will be called the Lewiston Orchards Rural Telephone company.

WHEAT INTERESTS ARE STILL IN A DEADLOCK

Big Millers Unwilling to Meet Views of Country Holders; Foreign Situation Is Good.

EASTERN MARKETS CLOSED.

This being Good Friday, all financial and grain exchanges are closed in the east today. Some of the markets will remain closed until Monday morning. All local business operations were open as usual.

PORTLAND GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Cars— Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Monday	65	3	25	4	12
Tuesday	14	..	8	5	5
Wednesday	5	1	20	4	8
Thursday	3	..	6	4	5
Friday	19	3	21	4	5
Year ago	19	..	15	..	5
Season to date	15,047	1793	1796	1241	1564
Year ago	11,467	818	1904	1379	2226

The wheat trade is completely deadlocked. No strong efforts are being made by tidewater interests to secure supplies except at the lower prices they are quoting. Country interests are holding stocks in a firm grasp and are unwilling to do business at present except on their own terms. A very small amount of business has been reported recently, but practically all of this has been for the account of country millers. Their needs at this time are limited but what they buy is generally at the higher prices quoted.

By holding down the price of patent flour some of the big millers are hoping to keep down the price of wheat. Those that need supplies are naturally desirous of lifting flour, but their strongest competitors are unwilling to see such a movement at this time. Without concerted action it would be impossible to force an advance.

The feeling in the coarse grain trade is slightly improved. Some small business is reported in barley, but the total volume of sales is still almost too small to base a quotation. Activity in the oats market is more pronounced, although general buying has not yet been resumed.

WHEAT—Nominal. Producers' prices, track basis: Milling, club, 88@90c; milling bluestem, 99c@$1.01; red Russian, 86@87c; fortyfold, 91c; Turkey red, 95c; Willamette valley, 90c.

BARLEY — Nominal, Producers' prices, truck basis: Feed, $23@23.50; brewing, $25; rolled, $24.50.

OATS—Producers' prices, track basis: No. 1 milling, $28@28.50; white, $27.50@28 per ton.

FLOUR—Selling prices: Patent, $4.70; Willamette valley, $4.70; local straight, $3.85@4.10; export, $3.85@3.95; bakers', $4.50@4.75.

HAY—Producers' prices: Willamette valley timothy, fancy, $15; ordinary, $12@14; eastern Oregon-Idaho fancy timothy, $15@18; alfalfa, $11@12; vetch and oats, $11; cheat, $10@11; clover, $8@9 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Selling price: Bran, $20@21; middlings, $28.50; shorts, $22@23 per ton.

GRAIN BAGS—No. 1 Calcutta, $9.60@9.65.

San Francisco Produce Market.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, March 21.—Wheat: Northern bluestem, $1.80@1.82½; club, $1.57½@1.60; Turkey red, $1.65@1.75; red Russian, $1.56¼@1.57¼.

Barley: Oregon and California, $1.25@1.32½.

Potatoes: Per cental, Oregon Burbanks, 50@65c; river ditto, 35@50c; Lompoc, $1.00; sweets, $2.25@2.50.

Onions: Per cental, California silverskins, 40@55; Australian brown, 35@45c.

Butter: Extras, 35c; firsts, 34c.

Eggs: Extras, 18c; firsts, 17½c; selected pullets, 16c.

Cheese: Oregon flats, fancy, 17c; Young America, 18c.

Oranges: Per box, navels, standard, $1.75@2.30; fancy, $3.25@4.24; ditto, choice, $2.25@3.00.

NORTHWEST BANK STATEMENT

Portland Banks.

Clearings.	This Week.	Year Ago.
Friday	$1,825,531.77	$1,803,698.74
Thursday	2,574,161.90	1,675,265.33
Wednesday	2,789,230.30	2,491,190.26
Tuesday	2,851,394.89	2,298,041.47
Monday	3,784,174.98	2,999,418.41
Wk. to date	$13,824,493.84	$11,267,614.21

Today's Metal Market.

New York, March 21.—Metal market:
Copper—Loose, 14@14⅛c.
Lead—$4.30@4.40.
Spelter—$6.15@6.30.
Tin—$46.00@46.25.

San Francisco Grain Calls.

San Francisco, March 21—Grain calls:

BARLEY.

	Open.	Close.
May	129 B	130⅛ A
December	130¼	130¼

An automobile truck used for hauling ashes in Brooklyn, N. Y., when loaded has a total weight of 15 tons.

POTATO MARKETS IN A VERY CONGESTED STATE

No Outside Demand Is Possible and Local Stocks Can Find No Movement Here.

Potato markets along the coast are showing further declines in price and the outlook is worse than before, if such a condition is possible.

At San Francisco, Oregon Burbanks have dropped down to 65c per cental for best offerings, and little of the business is available even at this figure. River stock is selling there down to 35c a cental, the lowest price ever known for similar quality.

At Puget Sound points the market has become so clogged with offerings that it is impossible to sell more than a small per cent of the arrivals even at 55@65c per cental.

Locally the situation is even worse than at other points along the coast owing to the entire absence of an outlet. California does not want Oregon supplies because there are more holdings there than the trade can take care of. Arizona and Texas are able to buy potatoes closer at home at lower prices than Pacific northwest stock can be landed there, therefore none of this business is offering. This is the first year known that no business has been possible with the southwest.

SEEKS EVIDENCE AGAINST SUSPECTS

Bent on unearthing further evidence in his search for the person or persons whom it is suspected dynamited the New Mount Hood hotel on Salmon river near the old hatchery, C. W. Kern, president of the hotel company, left Portland today for the site of the damaged structure.

The exact date of the alleged dynamiting is not known, but it is believed that the structure was blown up early in January during the absence of Mr. Kern.

At first it was believed weight of snow crushed in the roof, and caused the building's virtual collapse, but investigation shows that heavy timbers were buried a distance of 50 feet in some instances, something that could be accomplished only by an explosive force under the circumstances.

The roof, the whole second floor and all save one corner of the first floor collapsed, doing damage estimated at approximately $2000.

The hotel, a substantial structure, was in the course of erection and contained 100 rooms. It will be rebuilt and be opened in time for the spring travel.

The hotel site is about a mile from Welch's hotel and 500 yards from the auto road.

The owners have suspicions as to the identity of the alleged dynamiters, but decline to speak concerning them until evidence of a conclusive nature is collected.

Prior to the alleged blowing up of the hotel, a bridge across the Sandy river just above the mouth of the Zigzag river was dynamited. This structure had been constructed by the Mount Hood Improvement club, and will be rebuilt this spring.

That gold will boil in an electric furnace at a temperature of about 2400 degrees Centigrade has been discovered by a French chemist.

Getting the Sea Crab

A Department For Consumers

Crabs are becoming a more popular food every day, and the sale has more than doubled within the last two years. There are several sections where crabs are obtained in larger numbers than elsewhere, and it is but natural that fishing interests should be most extensive there. Most of the crabs that come to the Portland market are from Shoalwater bay. They are received here in barrels.

The shipments are made every day and the crabs are alive when they reach the market. They are then put in an open crate and placed in a big kettle of boiling water. Salt is added for flavor. When they are taken out of the boiling water, they are carefully sorted as to size and then quickly distributed to the various retailers. By the time they arrive in the retail shops they have been cooked less than a day, therefore are of excellent quality.

Up to a few years ago the crabs were received in this market already cooked. There was much complaint regarding quality, until one of the big wholesalers of Portland began to import this stock alive and cooked it here. Since then all interests are now cooking their own crabs. This has been the greatest aid in developing the sale.

While Shoalwater bay is the principal supply point for crabs for the Portland market, shipments are received from other coast centers. Quite fair shipments come at times from Clatsop beach points and from Yaquina bay, but as a rule dealers prefer the stock from Shoalwater bay, because fishing interests there are more extensive and regular supplies can be depended upon except when the weather is too stormy.

Way up in the Puget sound country, the Dungeness Indians are noted for their crabbing activity. The crabbing interests there are the most extensive on the coast, but the stock is of similar quality to that shown on Shoalwater bay. The Dungeness crabs are generally of large size and have a reputation all along the coast. At certain periods supplies from there have reached the Portland market, but the distance is so great and the absence of rail transportation makes it impossible for the stock to arrive here in as good shape as the local catch.

Crab fishing has become of national importance in Japan, and during the last two years great strides have been made in the canning of this food. Most of the canned crabs sold along the Pacific coast are put up in Japan.

Fresh crabs are selling in the Portland market today at 15c each for the average size or two for 25c. The larger sizes are quoted in the retail shops at 20c each.

WANTED—Veal, Hogs, Eggs, Poultry—WANTED

Our prices today: Eggs, 18½c; chickens, 16½c to 17c lb.; broilers, 25c to 30c; pork, fancy, 11c to 12c; veal, fancy, 14c to 14½c. store butter 22@25c. Check sent promptly. Are you satisfied with the prices you are now getting for your produce? If not, try us; tags free. Country merchants' trade solicited.

F. H. Schmalz & Co.
141-143 Front St., Portland, Or.
Paid-up Capital $10,000.

SELECT STEERS GO TO $8.25 IN YARDS HERE; GOOD STUFF WANTED

North Portland Market Is Firm for Better Class Offerings, but Easy to Weak for Others; Sharp Advance Is Asked for Sheep.

LIVESTOCK PRICES COMPARED.

	Today.	Year ago.
Steers	$8.25	$6.50
Cows	7.00	5.25
Hogs	9.15	7.00
Spring lambs	12.00	8.00
Wool lambs	8.00	6.25
Yearlings	6.50	5.75
Ewes	5.50	4.65

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Friday	362	52	7	671
Thursday	114	124	10	629
Wednesday	868	54	18	16
Tuesday	577	181	1	...
Monday	2492	985	14	2546
Saturday	766	459	2	133
Week ago	414	177	1	...
Year ago	23	45	14	...
Two years ago	1092	106	2	44

When W. H. Leonard received $8.25 for steers in the North Portland yards during the last 24 hours he received a tribute for good feeding that is seldom paid to a shipper. Mr. Leonard comes from Pomeroy, Wash., and feeds but a few head of cattle each year. These he paid particular attention to, the result being that when he reaches the market with the supplies he gets a better price than anyone else.

Yesterday afternoon he had 12 head of steers that brought the extreme high mark of the season and some cows that were well up to the top. "It was mighty good stuff," said R. B. Caswell, of Kidwell & Caswell, "therefore buyers were willing to pay the price."

The extra fancy stuff was picked up by Sterrett-Oberlee, local butchers, before others realized what had happened.

General conditions in the cattle trade are extremely good for the better class of offerings, but an easy to weak tone is shown for off grade stuff. There was practically nothing new offered to the trade this morning, two loads from Nampa, Idaho, being a direct shipment to a Puget sound killer.

Cattle shippers today: S. C. Oxman, Nampa, Idaho, 2 loads; Hugh Cummings, Corvallis, 1 load cttle and hogs direct to Union Meat Co.; J. E. Reynolds, Rock Creek, 1 load calves and hogs.

North Portland cattle range:

Heavy feed steers	$8.00@8.25
Choice steers	7.65@7.85
Common steers	7.50
Spayed heifers	7.40
Fancy cows	7.00
Ordinary light calves	6.50@6.75
Fancy light calves	9.00
Heavy calves	5.00@6.50
Best bulls	5.50
Ordinary bulls	4.50@5.90

The entire mutton trade is very firm at North Portland today. There were arrivals of four loads since yesterday's report, but two of these were a direct shipment to a local butcher. The other two loads were put in the feed lot. Eight dollars was being asked for lambs, indicating a further advance of 25c to 50c over previous figures.

Sheep shippers today: R. N. Stanfield, 2 loads; G. E. Bennett, Pilot Rock, 2 loads.

North Portland sheep prices:

Spring lambs	$ 12.00
Yearling lambs	7.50@8.00
Ordinary yearlings	7.25
Old wethers	6.50
Fancy ewes	5.75
Ordinary ewes	5.00@5.50

Sheared stock quoted 75c to $1 less than wool sheep.

Hog Market Holds Firm.

Market for hogs was holding firm at North Portland for the day. There were small arrivals, totals being 362 head, compared with 414 last Friday, 23 head a year ago and 1092 head two years ago.

Top hogs again sold at $9.15 in the yards today. This was for light block stock, heavy stuff being inclined to show weakness at the lower figures.

Hog shippers today: Jewell & Ross, Palma, Idaho, 1 load; W. T. Cooper, Weiser, Idaho, 1 load; J. D. Densmore, West Stayton, 1 load hogs and calves.

North Portland hog market range:

Best light	$9.10@9.15
Medium light	9.05
Best heavy	9.00
Rough and heavy	6.75@7.00

Friday Morning Sales.

Buyer.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
STEERS			
Sterrett-Oberlee	12	1190	$8.25
Commission Co.	1	1160	$9.50
COWS			
Sterrett-Oberlee	9	1072	$7.00
STAGS			
Sterrett-Oberlee	1	1440	$6.75
YEARLINGS			
Sterrett-Oberlee	2	...	$100
Sterrett-Oberlee	1	...	90
HOGS			
Union Meat Co.	98	191	$9.15
Union Meat Co.	67	160	9.10
Union Meat Co.	6	115	8.60
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Union Meat Co.	107	170	9.10
Union Meat Co.	2	140	8.50

OMAHA SHEEP HIGHER

Sales Are Made at Advance of a Dime in the Yards.

South Omaha, March 21.—Cattle, 500; market steady. Steers, $8.30@8.75; cows and heifers $6.80@8.15.

Hogs, 6900; market opened 10c higher, closed with part of advance lost, at $8.75@8.85.

Sheep, 4550; market strong to 10c higher. Yearlings, $7.40@6.75; wethers, $6.50@6.75; lambs, $8.35@8.85; ewes, $6.15@6.40.

LOT ORDINANCE AIMED AT THE NON-RESIDENTS

Anticipating the annual wail that reaches the city hall one account of the weed and grass nuisance, Deputy City Attorney Ray Sullivan has prepared an ordinance which he is confident will enable the police force this coming summer to be of great assistance in aiding the city beautiful movement by compelling the removal of grass, weeds, and other nuisances from lots owned by non-residents. Heretofore it was impossible to enforce the provisions of the present nuisance statutes against non-residents owing to defects in the wording.

The new ordinance, which will be submitted to the city council next week, is modeled after a similar ordinance in Los Angeles. It provides that during the first two weeks in June and the first two weeks in August of each year grass and weeds on every lot in the city shall be cut and all other nuisances removed.

The measure further provides that when out-of-town owners neglect to comply with the ordinance the city shall give notice of the nuisance existing, this to be published in the city official newspaper. The cost of the same becomes an automatic lien against the property. Heretofore, the nuisance ordinance has been ineffective against non-residents because it did not provide for legal notice being served upon them.

"I hope the council will pass this ordinance at once," said Deputy Sullivan today, "as it is extremely desirable that we shall be able to operate under it before the arrival of summer with the annual crop of weeds and grass."

ADOPT NEW PLAN FOR INSTALLING ARC LIGHTS

Mayor Rushlight, following a conference held yesterday at the mayor's office between the lighting committee of the city council and representatives of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, was able to announce that a plan has been arrived at whereby the widespread requests for arc lights emanating from residents of all sections of the city for the past few months may be adjusted.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power company, though it is not required to do so by its contract with the city, has agreed to install 388 street lamps for which applications are now on file in the city auditor's office. The cost of installing these will be absorbed, according to the agreement reached yesterday, by the company that gets the next municipal lighting contract. Bids for the lighting of public streets and buildings of the city will be invited at once and the only other company that can bid, the Northwestern Electric, has, according to the mayor, agreed also to absorb the cost of the extra installation of lights this year in the event the company should be awarded the next lighting contract. The mayor's plan will be submitted to the city council next Wednesday, and if it is ratified will grant to hundreds of citizens relief from nuisances caused by dark streets in many suburbs.

Murder in Wolfcreek Cabin.

Glendale, Or., March 21. — James Berry, who has been working on the section at Glendale until Tuesday, went to Wolfcreek Wednesday night and yesterday afternoon word was received here of his murder. James Chapman, who works on the section at Wolfcreek, was seen going into the cabin with him and the body of Berry was found in the cabin later. Chapman is suspected of the murder and is being hunted.

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