SHORTAGE IN WHEAT STOCKS ARE FORECAST BY NORTHWEST DEALERS

FURTHER REDUCTION IS FORCED HERE IN THE PRICE FOR EGGS

Market Drops to 38c and 40c a Dozen for Fresh Stock, but Most Dealers Are Quoting the Latter Figure for the Day.

Today's Produce Trade.
Eggs down again.
Chicken demand good.
Turkeys very slow.
Country meats steady.
More onions offering.
Cheese situation strong.
Hop situation quiet.
California produce poor.
Potato trade slow.

There was a further reduction in the price of fresh ranch eggs along Front street today, and while all sorts of values were being quoted, those that received any great quantity of offerings were not asking above 40 cents. In fact this was an extreme value with the exception of a few instances, where stocks were sold to peddlers, who usually pay a premium for something extra select. The general trade does not candle that closely.

The general market for eggs today could not be considered above 38@40c a dozen, although few were quoting as low as the former level.

With receipts daily showing an increase, the outlook for egg prices is still downward. In some quarters there is hope that the decline will be stopped for a while at 38c, but in other quarters the losses are expected to continue until the very bottom for the season is reached.

With the lower prices being named for fresh eggs, there is practically a stoppage of business in ice house stock. Speculative interests who still retain heavy holdings of storage goods are expected to become excited within a few days and cut loose—selling for anything they can get.

BETTER TOMATOES COMING

Better quality tomatoes are coming to the local market from San Diego, Cal., section. These shipments are being forwarded by express and are much better than those sent in carload lots. Sales are reported at $1.50@1.75 a crate.

CALIFORNIA CAULIFLOWER POOR

Importers of California cauliflower to the local market at this time are being condemned by the produce trade generally because of the excellence of the quality of local stock and the liberal supplies. The California stock is very poor.

FLORIDA GRAPEFRUIT ARRIVES

Another car load of grapefruit from Florida arrived for the local market in good condition today. Prices as formerly.

The regular weekly banana train was due to arrive today.

A fancy shipment of garden peas arrived from southern California today and sold readily at 12½c a pound.

JAP ORANGES PACKED DIFFERENTLY

Japanese oranges are coming to market in larger sized packages than formerly. Shipments are being received in boxes about half the size of the California package and are quoted at $2 a box.

TURKEY MARKET VERY SLOW

Very slow trade is showing in the turkey market along Front street. Live birds are hard to sell and the extreme quotation is 18c a pound, with buyers generally unwilling to take hold at that figure. Dressed stock is nominal at 22c.

SOME CLAMS AND CRABS

Small shipments of crabs and clams are reported on the local market from Bay Center, Wash. Supplies are too small for the demand, but no change has been made in values. Shipments are now expected to increase.

SHIPPERS' WEATHER FORECAST

Weather bureau sends the following notice to shippers:

Protect shipments as far north as Seattle against minimum temperatures of about 38 degrees; northeast to Spokane, 30 degrees; southeast to Boise, 20 degrees south to Ashland, 36 degrees. Minimum temperature at Portland tonight, about 40 degrees.

PORTLAND JOBBING PRICES

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

BUTTER—Nominal. Creamery cubes, selling price, 34c, which is the butterfat basis; prints, 36c; firsts, 34@36c; ranch butter, 2c; New Zealand prints, 35c.

EGGS—Selected. Candled local extras, 40c; select pullets, 38c; case count, 38c; spot buying price, f. o. b. Portland; storage, 36@37c; Kansas 'fresh,' 35c.

LIVE POULTRY — Hens 13½c; springs, 12½@13c; stags, 11c; geese, 12c; Pekin ducks, 18c; Indian Runners, 10@11c; turkeys, 20c; dressed, 29@32c; pigeons, old, $1; young, $1.50 dozen; jackrabbits, $1.50 dozen.

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

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—Buying price, choice, 22½c; prime, 22c; medium to prime, 21@21½c; medium, 20c.

WOOL—Nominal, 1913 clip: Willamette valley coarse Cotswold, 16c lb.; medium Shropshire, 17c; choice fancy lots, 18c lb.; eastern Oregon 10@16c, according to shrinkage.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK—1913, car lots, 4½c; less than car lots, 4½c.

MOHAIR—1913—Nominal 30c.

HIDES—Dry hides, 22@23c lb.; green, 11@12c; salted hides, 13c; bulls, green salt, 8@9c; kips, 13@14c; calves, dry, 25c; calf skins, salted or green, 18c; green hides, 1c less than salted; sheep pelts, salted, shearings, 10@25c; dry, 10c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

BERRIES—Huckleberries, 9@10c lb.; cranberries, local, $9; eastern, $11.50@12 barrel.

FRESH FRUITS — Oranges, navels, $3@3.50; Japanese oranges, $1.00@1.25 per bundle; bananas, 4½@5c lb.; lemons, $7.50@8.00; limes $1.50 per 100; grapefruit, Florida, $6@6.25; pineapples, 6½@7c; grapes, Concords, 25c per 4 lb. basket; other varieties, $1.75@2.00; pears $1.50@1.75; persimmons, $1.75 crate.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.15; beets, $1.15; carrots, $1.15; parsnips, $1.15 sack; cabbage, $1.25@1.50; California tomatoes, $1@1.75; lugs, $1.50@1.75; local, $1.00 per box; green onions, 12½c per dozen bunches; peppers, bell, 5@6c; head lettuce, 40@50c dozen; celery, local, 75c@$1.00, California, $4 crate; egg plant, 10c; cauliflower, local, 65c@1.25 dozen; artichokes, $1.75 dozen; sprouts, 10c; string beans, 7@10c; lima beans, 13c lb; peas, 6@7c.

ONIONS—Jobbing price, $2.50; carload buying price, $2.00 f. o. b. shipping station; garlic 12½@15c lb.

APPLES—Spitzenberg, $1.25@2.50; Northern Spy, 75c@$1.50; Jonathan $1.00@2.00; Rhode Island Greening, $1.00@1.25; Winter Bananas, $1.50@2.50; Ortley $1.50@2.00; Gravenstein, $1.00@1.75 per box; cooking grades, 75c@$1.00.

SPOT CASH FOR YOUR Eggs, Poultry, Hogs, Veal

Net prices, f. o. b. Portland, no commission. Fresh valley eggs, 36c dozen, loss off. Dairy butter 20c. Hens and springs, 12@13c per lb.; large hens, over 5 lbs., 15c lb.; ducks, 9@12c; turkeys at market prices; geese, 8@10c; fancy pork, 9@10c; veal, fancy, 13@13½c; cascara bark, 5c lb. Cash by return mail. Prices in effect until further notice. RUBY & CO., 107 Front St., Portland, Or. Assets $30,000.00.

Eastern Deciduous Fruit Market

Chicago—Through auction, 1 car mixed Utah apples—Winesaps, choice 85c; Black Twig, choice $1.00; Gano, choice $1.10; Missouri Pippin, choice and special, $1.10; Special Winesaps, $1.45; Special Ben Davis, $1.04.

Philadelphia—Sold by J. B. Cancelmo, account C. Rowland, Sunnyside, Wash., car Winesaps fancy 80-88s, $1.85; 96s, $2.25; 104-113s, $2.10; 125-163s, $2.05; 175s, $1.90; 185-188s, $1.85, 200-225s, $1.75; C Grade 80-96s, $1.60; 113s, $1.60; 125-163s, $1.70; 175-200s, $1.65; Yor' Imperial, 64-72s, $1.45; 80-104s, $1.45; 113s, $1.50; 125-175s, $1.55; Rome Beauty, 96-113s, $1.60; Mixed Varieties, 1.50; Spitzenburgs, fancy, 80-150s, $2.05; C Grade, 72-88s, $1.55; 96s, $1.60; 113s, $1.75; 125-163s, $1.90

New York—Arrivals, 6 cars. Trade fairly active. Greenings, No. 1s from $3.50 to $4.00; No. 2s from $2.75 to $3.00. Eastern Baldwins, common storage, from $3.00 to $4.00. Western New York, common storage, from $3.00 to $3.75. Kings from $4.00 to $4.75. York Imperials from $4.00 to $4.50.

WORLD'S TRADE IS GOOD FOR APPLES

Only Atlantic Seaboard Markets Are Weak—Europe Bidding High For Supplies.

While the condition of the apple market along the Atlantic seaboard is rather dull with supplies neglected and indications of lower prices temporarily, the world's trade in general is of exceedingly good character.

The middle west has been for some time, and is still a rather good market for Pacific northwest fruit and further sales in that direction are reported at advantageous prices, according to A. A. Prince, assistant sales manager of the Northwestern Fruit Exchange.

"The middle west is still bidding for Pacific northwest apples," says Mr. Prince, "and today we made further sales in that direction. A carload of extra fancy Staymans was confirmed this morning at $1.60 f. o. b. shipping station, while an order from the southwest called for a car of mixed varieties, fancy and extra fancy, but mostly the former at an average price of $1.35 for all varieties, grades and sizes.

"Foreign markets remain in an excellent position. London is a very strong bidder and we are getting bids from there that are surprising considering the quality and variety of fruit offered. The entire European market is rather good for best quality offerings and we are experiencing no difficulty whatever in disposing of what fruit we have to offer at values far better than could be obtained on this side.

"While it is true that some fruit shipping interests may have found difficulty in disposing of their fruit abroad at proper prices, this condition is not general. The foreign buyer wants to know that he is going to get the fruit that he purchases and for that reason places his business with such selling interests as really deliver that quality.

"This is one of the best seasons we have ever known in the foreign markets and not the slightest legitimate complaint can be made. The speculative activity of foreign buyers is just as good as it was earlier in the season and they have followed the advancing prices here without murmur."

WHEAT LOSS RECOVERED

Chicago Market Closes ⅛c to ¼c Better, After Starting with a Decline Today.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—The wheat market showed a loss of ⅝c in the December and ¼c in the May at the opening but the entire decline was recovered and these options closed with a net advance of ⅛c for the day. July had a gain of ¼c at the end of the session.

The weakness here at the opening was due to the lower cables this morning, but the recovery was forced by short covering.

Broomhall cabled from Liverpool that the easier closing at Winnipeg and the weakness at Buenos Ayres yesterday caused some pressure at the opening. This was followed by a further decline on the American and Canadian receipts, cheaper Australian offers and continued favorable weather and crop prospects in Argentina.

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

Month.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT				
Dec.	86⅝	87¼	86⅝	87⅛B
May	90½	91	90⅜	90⅞A
July	88¼	88⅝	88⅛	88½A
CORN				
Dec.	70½	71⅜	70⅜	71¼B
May	70⅜	70½	70¼	70⅜B
July	69⅝	70	69½	69⅞A
OATS				
Dec.	38⅛	38⅜	38	38⅛B
May	41⅝	41⅞	41½	41⅞A
July	41¼	41⅜	41⅛	41⅜B
PORK				
Jan.	2110	2115	2102	2115 A
May	2102	2112	2095	2110 B
LARD				
Jan.	1077	1085	1077	1075 A
May	1107	1112	1105	1112 B
RIBS				
Jan.	1105	1105	1102	1105
May	1122	1126	1120	1125

DENVER HOGS AT $7.60

General Livestock Trade Steady in Colorado Market.

Denver, Dec. 3.—Hogs—900. Market steady at $7.30@7.60.

Cattle—800. Market steady. Steers $6.00@7.00; cows and heifers, $5.00@6.35.

Sheep—1400. Market steady. Yearlings $5.25@6.00; wethers, $4.50@5.25; ewes, $3.50@4.25; lambs, $6.50@7.25.

POTATOES — Selling price: Extra choice, $1.15@1.25; choice, $1.15; ordinary, $1.00 sack; buying price, carloads, 70c; extra fancy, sorted, 90c; ordinary, 75c country points; sweets, $2.00 per cwt.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS — Selling price—Country killed: Hogs, fancy, 10c; ordinary 9½c; rough and heavy 9c; fancy veals, 13½@14c; ordinary, 12½@13c; poor, 9@10c; lambs, 10c; mutton, 8c; goats, 4@4½c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC. — Hams, 18½@20c; breakfast bacon, 19@27½c; boiled ham, 29½c; picnics, 15c; cottage (—).

LARD — Tierces, 12½c; compound, tierces, 11c.

MEATS—Packing house—Steers, No. 1 stock, 12c; cows, No. 1 stock, 12c; ewes, 9½c; wethers, 10½c; lambs, 12c; pork loins, 18½c; dressed hogs, 13½c.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon (—); per 100 lb. sack (—); Olympia, per gallon, $3.50; per 100 lb. sack (—); canned eastern, 50c can $6.50 dozen; eastern, in shell, $1.75@2.00 per 100; razor clams, $2.00@2.25 box; eastern oysters, per gallon, solid pack, $3.00.

FISH—Nominal. Dressed flounders, 7c; halibut 6@10c; striped bass, 11c; silversides salmon, 6½c; steelheads 8c; Chinooks 9c; halibut 8@12c; soith 7c; shrimp 12½c; perch, 8c lb.; lobsters, 30c lb.; black bass, 10c; silver smelt 7c; shad (—); black cod, 8c; sturgeon, 12½c; dressed trouted, 8c.

CRABS—Large, $1.60; medium, $1 dozen.

Groceries.

SUGAR—Cube, $5.60; powdered, $5.40; fruit or berry, $5.20; beets, $5.00; dry granulated, $5.20; D yellow, $4.50. (Above quotations are 30 days net cash.)

BEANS—Small white, 6¼c; large white, 4¾c; pink, 4¾c; limas, 6¼c; bayo, $5.25; red, 5¼c.

RICE—Japan style, No. 1, 5½@5¾c; New Orleans, head, 6¾@7c; Creole, 5½c.

HONEY—New, $2.75 per case.

SALT—Coarse, half grounds, 100s, $10 per ton; 50s $10.75; table dairy, 50s, $15; 100s, $17.50; bales, $2.25; extra fine barrels, 2s, 5s and 10s, $5.25@6.00; lump rock, $20.00 per ton.

Paints and Oils.

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.

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

OIL, DEAL—Carload lots, $34.

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

Some girls are born blond and some others acquire blondness.

CHEESE IS NOW SCARCE AT PRODUCING CENTERS

Charles Ray, Pioneer Maker, of Tillamook, Says There Is But Little to Be Had.

There is a great scarcity of cheese in the local market and while prices are firmer, no change is showing for the day. Supplies at Tillamook and Coos Bay are said to be the smallest known at this time of the season and while practically all the factories are still being operated their output is very limited, and not enough to consider.

Charles Ray, the pioneer cheese maker of the Tillamook country, was in the city today on business and expressed himself as highly pleased with the action of the market both at this time and during the entire season.

"The price of cheese on the average has been unusually good this season," says Mr. Ray, "and there is not the slightest complaint to be made. There is little cheese available at producing points at this time.

"While I have not yet thoroughly examined my books to ascertain the output for the year, still I have every reason to believe that it shows an increase over a year ago. Every season recently there has been an increase in the make at Tillamook."

STOCKS SHARPLY HIGHER

Good Railroad Earnings Are Surprise to Trade, and General Advances Result.

New York, Dec. 3.—There was a sharp advance in the security market generally today. The president's message after being digested thoroughly is considered even more favorable than believed yesterday.

The expectations of a favorable decision in the New Haven matter was a big help to the trade and the general rail market was sharply advanced for the day. Railroad earnings are much more favorable. Erie shows from July 1 to November 21 a gross decrease in revenue of $187,000, while the total for the year was $29,970,000 compared with $26,100,000 for the same period in 1912, less than 1 per cent loss, a most unexpected showing.

Louisville & Nashville net operating revenue for October showed an increase of $319,275, while New York Central for the same period showed an increase of $2,066,383. For the same period Northern Pacific showed a decrease of $378,334.

Erie was strong on good earnings and an advance of 1⅛ points was shown at the closing. Other advances were: Amalgamated Copper 1⅜, American Smelter 1½, Anaconda 1⅜, Atchison ⅞, B. & O. ⅝, Canadian Pacific 2½, Great Northern 1¼, Missouri Pacific ⅞, N. Y. Central 1¼, Northern Pacific 1¼, Pennsylvania ⅝, Reading 1⅜, Southern Pacific 1⅛, Union Pacific 1⅜, and U. S. Steel common ⅞ point.

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

DESCRIPTION	Open	High	Low	Close
Amalgamated Copper Co.	69½	71⅛	69⅛	71⅛
American C. & Fdy., c.	43⅞	43⅞	43⅜	43⅞
American Can, c.	26¼	28	26¼	27⅞
American Loco., c.	30½	30½	30⅜	30½
American Sugar, c.	108⅛	105	108⅛	105
American Smelt, c.	62⅞	63⅜	62⅞	63½
Am. Tel. & Tel.	120⅛	120½	120⅛	120½
Anaconda Mining Co.	33⅝	34⅞	33⅝	34⅞
Atchison, c.	92½	93½	92½	93
Baltimore & Ohio, c.	93⅛	93⅛	93	93
Beet Sugar	24	24	24	24
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	87⅜	87⅞	87¼	87⅜
Canadian Pacific, c.	224½	226	224	226
Central Leather, c.	.....	.....	.....	24⅞
C., & G. W., c.	11½	11½	11½	11½
C., M. & St. P.	99⅛	99⅜	98⅜	99½
Chi. & N. W., c.	125⅞	125⅞	125⅞	125⅞
Chino Copper	38	39	38	39
Chesapeake & Ohio	56⅝	57⅜	56⅝	57⅜
Colorado F. & I., c.	27½	27⅞	27½	27⅞
Consolidated Gas, c.	126⅛	127	126½	127
Corn Products, c.	9½	9½	9½	9½
Erie, c.	27⅞	28⅜	27⅞	28⅜
G. Northern, ore lands.	31⅞	32½	31⅞	32
G. Northern, pf.	123	124¼	123	124¼
Ice Securities	22	22	22	22
Illinois Central	106½	108	106½	108
Inter. Metro., c.	14	14¼	14	14⅛
Lehigh Valley	147¼	149¼	147¼	148⅝
Kansas City Southern	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝
Mexican Petroleum	46	48½	46	48½
Louisville & Nashville	132¼	132¼	132	132¼
Missouri Pacific	25⅝	26½	25¼	26¼
Nevada Consolidated	15⅝	16⅜	15⅝	15⅝
New Haven	79¼	80	78⅝	79⅞
New York Central	95⅞	96⅜	95⅞	96⅜
N. Y., O. & W.	.....	.....	.....	26¼
Northern Pacific, c.	106½	107⅝	106½	107⅝
Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	23⅞	24¼	23⅞	24¼
Pennsylvania Railway	109	109½	108⅝	109
Ray Cons. Copper	18	18¼	17⅞	18¼
Reading, c.	160⅜	162¼	160⅜	162¼
Republic I. & S., c.	19⅛	19½	19⅛	19½
Rock Island, c.	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝
St. L. & S. W., c.	.....	.....	.....	20
Southern Pacific, c.	86½	87⅛	86¼	87⅛
Southern Railway, c.	22	22⅛	22	22
Tenn. Copper	29⅛	29½	29⅛	29⅜
Union Pacific, c.	150	152	149⅞	152
U. S. Steel Co., c.	55½	57⅛	55⅜	57
Utah Copper	48¼	49½	48¼	49¼
Westinghouse Electric	64⅞	64⅞	64⅞	65

San Francisco Produce Market.

San Francisco, Dec. 3.—Wheat—Club, $1.50; northern bluestem, $1.65@1.67½; do recleaned seed, $1.70; Turkey red, $1.55@1.65; red Russian, $1.50; forty-fold, $1.52½@1.55.

Barley—Good to choice, feed, $1.30@1.32½; lower grades, $1.25@1.27½; shipping and brewing, $1.35@1.40.

Butter—Extras, 35c; firsts, 32c.

Eggs—Extras, 47c; select pullets, 43c; storage extras, 35c.

Cheese—Oregon, 17c; Young Americas, 17c; California, 17@17½c; Young America, 15@17c; eastern, 17½@20c.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, $1@1.40; Idaho, $1.30@1.40; delta whites, 75c@$1.10; Salinas, $1.75@2; sweets, $1@1.25.

Onions—Silver skins, $1.75@2; Oregon, $2.25@2.40.

Oranges—Per box, navels, $2@3; tangerines, $2.25@2.75; do in crates, $1.75.

Seattle Produce Market.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 3.—Eggs—Select ranch, 50@53c; April storage, 32@35c; fresh eastern, 40c; local storage, 36c.

Butter—Washington creamery cubes, 36c; city creamery bricks, 37c; New Zealand cubes, 34c; do bricks, 35c.

Cheese — Tillamook, 17½c; Young America, 19c; triplets, 17½c; Wisconsin twins, 18c; Oregon triplets, 17½c.

Onions—California yellow, 2½@2¾c pound; local, $1.50@1.75 per sack; Oregon, 2¾c pound.

Potatoes — Local, $20@22; Yakima gems, $23; California sweets, $1.75 per 100 pounds.

OMAHA HOGS ARE ACTIVE

South Omaha, Dec. 3.—Cattle—4000. Market steady. Steers $8.10@8.70; cows and heifers, $6.00@7.50.

Hogs—8500. Market active at $7.30@7.70.

Sheep—14,000. Market steady. Wethers, $4.50@4.75; lambs, $7.25@7.60; ewes, $3.25@3.75.

STRENGTH FOR HOGS HERE WHILE EASTERN MARKETS ARE LOWER

Extreme Quality Sells 5c to 10c Better at North Portland, but General Run Is Firm at Former Price—Cattle Are Firm.

Today's Hog Market.

	Tops.
North Portland	$7.05@7.10
Chicago	7.80
Kansas City	7.75
South Omaha	7.70
Denver	7.60

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Wednesday	771	33	2	215
Tuesday	626	250	..	....
Monday	1798	426	..	1369
Saturday	454	84	57	539
Friday	1666	82	2	1253
Thursday—Holiday.				
Week ago	845	112	15	1419
Year ago	439	57	10	...
Two years ago	439	..	..	21

While one load of extra fancy hogs from Idaho sold at a late hour yesterday afternoon at $8.05@8.10, the general market for tops at North Portland today is $8. There was quite a liberal run over night, but the buying was rather brisk with prices well maintained. The advance for the one lot of hogs was made here in the face of weakness at most centers east of the Rockies.

At Chicago there was a weaker tone with a loss of 5c for the day.

Kansas City hog market ruled weak, 5c to 10c lower than yesterday.

South Omaha hogs were active at the former top.

Today's general hog market range:

Top killers	$8.00@8.10
Good and light	7.90
Heavy	7.25@7.70
Rough and heavy	6.75@7.00

Cattle Market Is Good.

There was only a nominal run of cattle in the North Portland yards over night. General condition of the trade is rather good and good stuff is generally quoted around $7.75 in the steer division, but something extra select is still probably bringing the former extreme mark at $7.90.

At Chicago there was a steady tone in the cattle trade for the day.

Kansas City cattle market was steady at yesterday's prices.

South Omaha cattle market was steady for the day.

Today's general cattle market range.

Best steers	$7.85@7.90
Ordinary steers	7.50
Poor steers	7.00
Best heifers	6.90
Best cows	6.50
Medium cows	6.25
Poor cows	5.50@5.65
Ordinary bulls	4.50
Fancy stags	6.65
Fancy bulls	6.50
Prime light calves	8.50@9.00
Prime heavy	6.50@7.50

Sheep Market Is Easy.

While prices are showing practically no change, the general run of sheep offerings is quoted rather easy in the North Portland market. Good stuff continues in demand, and for this class of quality the former prices are still said to be available.

At Chicago there was a strong tone in the sheep market for the day.

Kansas City sheep market was stronger with an advance of a dime.

South Omaha sheep market ruled steady today.

Today's general mutton market range:

Best spring lambs	$5.90@6.00
Ordinary lambs	5.50@5.65
Yearlings	5.00@5.10
Old wethers	4.75
Fancy ewes	3.85@4.00
Ordinary ewes	3.75

Today's Livestock Shippers.

Hogs—R. H. Schomp, Condon, 1 load; Arlington Lumber company, Condon, 1 load; M. Monner, Gateway, 1 load; W. B. Kurtz, Hunts Ferry, 1 load; Will Block, Independence, 1 load direct to Union Meat company; J. B. Hosfeldt, Roosevelt, Wash., 1 load.

Cattle—Joe Blazier, Tillamook, 1 load.

Sheep—Sam L. Overton, Brownsville, 1 load.

Mixed stuff—J. D. Dinsmore, West Stayton, 1 load calves, hogs and sheep; Brownsville, 1 load hogs and sheep.

Comparative statement of North Portland livestock run:

	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Month to date	686	2	2,417	1,869
Same, 1912	229	34	1,030	403
Increase	457	.....	1,387	960
Decrease	.....	32	.....	.....
Year to date	74,986	4,590	169,659	276,225
Same, 1912	72,057	2,681	105,047	231,447
Increase	2,929	1,909	64,612	44,778

Tuesday Afternoon Sales.

STEERS

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
Idaho	25	1148	$7.90
Idaho	26	1118	7.90
Idaho	25	1129	7.90
Idaho	26	1181	7.90
Idaho	26	1125	7.90
Idaho	26	1167	7.90
Idaho	25	1112	7.90
Idaho	25	1136	7.90
Idaho	1	1270	7.90
COWS			
Oregon	4	935	$5.75
Oregon	5	930	5.50
Oregon	1	1200	5.50
HOGS			
Idaho	96	185	$8.10
Idaho	27	221	8.05
Idaho	39	190	8.05
Washington	104	174	8.05
Washington	10	266	8.00
Washington	8	226	8.00
Washington	4	273	8.00
Washington	60	234	8.00
Idaho	4	197	8.00
Washington	93	193	8.00
Washington	2	400	7.50
Idaho	4	302	7.10
Idaho	3	466	7.05
Idaho	1	370	7.05
Idaho	1	570	7.00

Wednesday Morning Sales.

HOGS

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
Oregon	89	219	$8.05
Oregon	12	185	8.00
Oregon	10	222	8.00
Oregon	90	29	8.00
Oregon	90	199	8.00
Washington	59	249	8.00
Oregon	113	200	8.00
Oregon	15	248	8.00
Oregon	12	150	7.75
Washington	26	182	7.75
Oregon	2	815	7.50
Oregon	10	862	7.00
Washington	3	416	7.00
Washington	3	310	7.00
Washington	4	387	7.00
Oregon	5	370	7.00
LAMBS			
Oregon	114	69	$5.00
MIXED SHEEP			
Oregon	14	107	$3.50

That whooping cough is caused by a bacillus has been discovered by two European physicians.

GOVERNMENT CATTLE FOR SALE

Some 50 head pure bred Galloway cattle, being the surplus of a herd belonging to the Alaska experiment stations, and consisting of young bulls, heifers and cows with calves at foot, now on a ranch at Chehalis, Wash., are offered for sale to breeders at reasonable prices. For information write SUPT. M. D. SNODGRASS, CHEHALIS, WASH.

ESTIMATE THAT 20 PER CENT OF WHEAT IS YET HELD UPON THE FARMS

Stocks of Grain in Hands of Pacific Northwest Producers Is Less Than Expected—Some Forecast Shortage Before Season's End.

By Hyman H. Cohen.

RUSSIAN WHEAT OUTLOOK.

(Special Cable.)

Odessa, Russia, Dec. 3.—The outlook for new crop wheat is favorable. Prices are firmly held and offers are being rapidly absorbed by continental buying. The weather is very cold and it is expected that navigation will shortly close.

FOREIGN WHEAT MARKET

Liverpool—Wheat closed ½d lower.
Buenos Ayres—Wheat closed ⅝c lower.
Berlin—Wheat closed ¼c lower.
Antwerp—Wheat closed ⅝c lower.
Paris—Wheat closed ½c higher.
Budapest—Wheat closed ½c lower.

WHEAT CARGOES QUIET

London, Dec. 3.—Cargoes on passage quiet but steady.
English country markets quiet.
French country markets steady.

PORTLAND GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Cars Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Monday	141	15	24	7	33
Tuesday	65	2	5	3	6
Wednesday	88	9	11	1	5
Year ago	47	5	6	7	7
Season to date	9333	1445	1195	987	1394
Year ago	9377	1297	1051	931	1119

It is stated on quite good authority that not more than 20 per cent of the 1913 wheat crop of Oregon, Idaho and Washington remains unsold in the hands of producers.

Not only are stocks on the farm below expectations of the trade, but home milling interests retain smaller stocks of the cereal than usual at this period of the season.

This has led home of the trade to believe that before the next crop is available there will be almost a famine in wheat offerings in the Pacific northwest and that prices are due for another sharp advance before the turn of the year.

While this conclusion is merely speculative, it is based upon some showing of facts. At the present time millers are beginning to realize the scarcity of wheat holdings and for that reason are being forced into the higher priced market against their will. Wheat bids are reported from 82 to 82½c a bushel for choice milling club, tidewater track basis, with bluestem 10c above these figures.

Japan is again nibbling for supplies of wheat and offers for that account are within a fraction of what dealers are at present asking. Round lots are wanted and this is expected to influence the trade here.

The advance forecast in the price of patent flour took place today in some of the mills with quotations at $4.60, but one large institution was not asking above $4.50 a barrel.

While the market for export flour is quiet at the moment, the trade is quite firmly held.

Coarse grains continue sluggish, but there is a firmer tone for millstuffs.

WHEAT — Producers' prices, track basis: Club, 82c; milling bluestem, 92@92½c; fortyfold, 83c; red Russian and hybrids, 80½@81c; valley, 83c.

BARLEY—Nominal producers' prices, track basis: Feed, $23.50@24; brewing, $24@25; rolled, $25 per ton.

OATS—New feed, $25; milling, $25.50 per ton.

FLOUR—Selling price: Patent, $4.50@4.60; Willamette valley, $4.50@4.60; local straight, $4; export, $3.65@3.80; bakers', $4.40@4.60.

HAY—Producers' prices: Willamette valley timothy, fancy, $14; eastern Oregon-Idaho fancy timothy, $16@16.50; alfalfa, $13.50@14; vetch and oats, $11@12; clover, $9 @10 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Selling price: Bran, $20.50@21; middlings, $29.50@30; shorts, $22.50@23 per ton.

CLOVER SEED—Buying price: No. 1 red, country points, 10@10½c; Portland delivery, Alsike, 12@13c.

CHICAGO HOGS ARE LOWER

Sales Are Made Down 5c, with Tops at $8.80 in the Yards.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Hogs 37,000. Market steady to 5c lower. Mixed and butchers, $7.40@7.85; good and heavy, $7.45@7.85; rough and heavy, $7.45@7.85; light, $7.15@7.70.

Cattle—15,000. Market steady.

Sheep—25,000. Market strong.

KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK

Swine Price 5c to 10c Lower, with Sheep Up a Dime for the Day.

Kansas City, Dec. 3.—Hogs 13,000. Market 5@10c lower. Tops $7.75.

Cattle—5500. Market steady.

Sheep—8000. Market 10c higher.

NORTHWEST BANK STATEMENT

Portland Banks.

Clearings—	This week.	Year ago.
Wednesday	$2,054,037.34	$2,017,999.90
Tuesday	2,095,463.75	2,366,742.12
Monday	2,780,897.10	2,207,202.86
Week to date	$6,930,398.19	$6,581,944.88

Seattle Banks.

Clearings	$2,543,399.00
Balances	351,061.00

Tacoma Banks.

Clearings	$ 428,209.00
Balances	102,286.00

Money and Exchange.

London, Dec. 3.—Consols 72 3-16d; silver 26⅝d; bank rate, 5%.

New York, Dec. 3.—Sterling exchange, long 4.82; short, 4.86; silver bullion, 57⅝c.

San Francisco, Dec. 3.—Sterling exchange, 60 days, 4.80½; sight, 4.85; doc., 4.80. Transfers, telegraphic, 3% premium; sight, par.

New York Cotton Market.

Month—	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	1302	1307	1297	1300
Mar.	1311	1318	1308	1310@11
May	1306	1312	1300	1304@05
July	1295	1301	1289	1293@94
Aug.	.....			1268@69
Dec.	1323	1323	1313	1314@15

San Francisco Barley Calls.

San Francisco, Dec. 3.—Barley calls:

	Dec. 2 Close	—Dec. 3— Open	Close
Dec.	130 B	130 B	132 A
May	137½B	137¾	137¾

FOREIGN FRUIT MARKET

Poor Apples Are Neglected, but There Is a Good Demand for Suitable Quality.

The London branch of the Northwestern Fruit Exchange reports the fruit market under date of