WHEAT GROWERS ARE ASKING MORE MONEY FOR THEIR HOLDINGS

FIRMER TONE HERE FOR TURKEYS WITH SUPPLIES TOO LIGHT

Dressed Stock Selling From 23 to 25c Per Pound, According to Quality; Alaska Continues as the Big Factor in Trade at Moment.

Today's Produce Trade.
Eggs generally weaker.
Cheese prices may rise.
Butter situation weak.
Apple business better.
Oranges more active.
Country meats hold well.
Some quote chickens off.
Hop business at 21c pound.

There is a very firm tone along Front street for dressed turkeys and sales are reported from 23c to 25c a pound, according to quality. There were quite fair receipts during the last 24 hours but the demand has been bigger than offerings and everything has been cleaned up.

Alaska has continued the principal factor in the turkey trade to date for the Christmas trade. Practically all of the buying has been for that account, the amount of sales for local consumption being comparatively limited.

The poultry trade is trying to get a line on the situation for the general Christmas trade. It is generally believed that the market will rule somewhat better than at Thanksgiving, but on the part of all interests this is a mere guess.

After all returns are in it develops that the Portland market for turkeys during the Thanksgiving trade averaged as well, if not better than other markets along the coast. All showed a sharp loss in prices in the late trading.

EGG MARKET REPORTED WEAK

There is a weaker tone in the egg trade along Front street and most of the business is again shown at 40c. Only occasional sales are reported at 41@42c. Receipts slightly increased.

JACK RABBITS SELLING WELL

The receipt of very heavy supplies of jackrabbits from central Oregon yesterday afternoon was a record for the local market, but the trade was in good condition and most of the offerings were sold at $1.85 a dozen.

CHICKEN MARKET IS SOFTER

Market for chickens is not quite so good. While in some quarters there are reports of even a better demand and higher price, the trade in general reports a weaker feeling with lower price.

FISH MARKET HOLDING FIRM

The market for fresh fish is very firm today. The scarcity of halibut continues and prices are holding firm. Receipts of salmon are no greater and supplies are quickly cleaned up at printed prices.

POTATO MARKET IS STAGNANT

So far as can be ascertained no new business was today passing in the potato trade. Growers are inclined to offer more freely but the low prices in effect in the south is keeping speculative interests quiet.

HOP BUYERS GETTING LIBERAL

While growers are seemingly willing to unload their hops at 20c for good stock, some of the dealers are paying as high as 21c and some late deals have been closed at that figure. The business is confined entirely to old orders, no new trade developing.

SHIPPERS' WEATHER FORECAST

Weather bureau sends the following notice to shippers:

Protect shipments as far north as Seattle against minimum temperatures of about 40 degrees; northeast to Spokane, 32 degrees; southeast to Boise, 34 degrees; south to Ashland, 38 degrees. Minimum temperature at Portland tonight, about 42 degrees.

PORTLAND JOBBING PRICES

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

BUTTER—Nominal. Creamery cubes, selling price 32c, which is the butterfat basis; prints 35c; first, 34@35c; ranch butter, 20c; New Zealand prints, 34c.

EGGS—Selected. Candled local extras 40@41c; select pullets, 40c; case count, 38c; spot buying price, f. o. b, Portland; storage, 35@36c; storage, 30@32c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens 14½@15c; springs, 14½@15c; stags, 11c; geese, 12c; Pekin ducks, 13c; Indian Runners, 10@11c; turkeys, 20c; dressed, 24c; 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, 21c; prime, 20c; medium to prime, 19½c; medium, 19c.

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, 8@10c lb.; cranberries, local, $9@12; eastern, $11.50@12 barrel.

FRESH FRUITS — Oranges, navels, $2.00@3.00; Japanese oranges, $1.00 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, $1.50; California tomatoes, $1.50@1.60; 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, 50@75c, California, $4 crate; egg plant, 10c; cauliflower, local, 65c@$1 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, $2.10 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.

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, 10½c; ordinary, 9½c; rough and heavy, 9c; fancy veals, 14@14½c; ordinary 12½@13½c; poor, 9@10c; lambs, 10c; mutton, 8c; goats, 4@4½c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC. — Hams, 18½@19½c; breakfast bacon, 19@27½c; boiled ham, 29½c; picnics, 15c; cottage (—).

MEATS—Packing house—Steers, No. 1 stock, 13c; cows, No. 1 stock, 12c; ewes, 9¼c; wethers, 10½c; lambs, 12c; pork loins, 18c; dressed hogs, 13c.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon (—); per 100 lb. sack (—); Olympia, per gallon, $3.50; per 100 lb. sack (—); canned eastern, 55c 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, 17c; silverside salmon, 8c; steelheads, 9c; halibut, 10@12c; Columbia smelt, 16@17c lb.; shrimps, 12½c; perch 8c lb.; lobsters, 30c lb.; black bass, 10c; silver smelt, 7c; shad (—); black cod, 8c; sturgeon, 12½c; dressed tomcod, 8c.

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

CRABS—Large, $1.60; medium, $1 dozen.

Groceries.

SUGAR—Cube, $5.50; powdered, $5.30; fruit, or berry, $5.10; beets, $4.90; dry granulated, $5.10; D yellow, $4.40. (Above quotations are 30 days net cash.)

BEANS—Small white 6¼; large white, $4.90; pink, $4½c; limas, 6¼c; bayo, $5.75; red, 5¼c.

RICE—Japan style, No. 1, 5½@5¾c; New Orleans, head, 5¾@7c; Creole, 5¼c.

HONEY—New, $2.75 per case.

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

Paints and Oils.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls. 58c per gal.; kettle boiled, bbls., 60c gal.; raw cases, 63c; boiled cases, 65c 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, 8¼c per lb.

OIL MEAL—Carload lots, $34.

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

Eastern Deciduous Fruit Market

Philadelphia, Pa.—Sold by J. B. Cancelmo, account Apple Growers' association of Hood River, Oregon car Spitzenbergs, 138s, $2; 150s, $1.95; 150s, $2; 163s, $1.95.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Sold by J. P. Wilson, account Wenatchee Produce company, Wenatchee, Wash., car Stayman Winesap extra fancy, 64s, $2.30; 72s-88s, $2.20; 96s, 20 boxes, $2.15; balance out, 100s-113s, 20 boxes, $2.15, balance out; 125s, 22, $2.15, balance out; 138s, 20, $2.15, balance out; 150s, $2.20; fancy 56s-64s, $2.15; 72s, $2.05; 80s-88s, $2; 96s, $1.95; 100s-138s, $2.05.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Sold by J. P. Wilson, account Wentechee Produce company, Wenatchee, Wash., car Spitzenbergs extra fancy, 64s, $2.45; 80s, $2.30@2.25; 88s, $2.25; 96s, $2.20@2.25; 104s-150s, $2.25; 163s-175s, $2.20; fancy 64s-72s, $2.15; 80-88s, $2.35; 96-138s, $2.05; Rome Beauty extra fancy, 64-72s, $2.40; 80s-138s, $2.15; 150s-175s, $2.10.

Chicago—Car Boise valley, Idaho, 626 Jonathans, extra, $1.20@$1.80, average $1.44; sold by Central Fruit Auction company.

Chicago—Car Payette, 45 Belleflowers fancy, $1.15; 57 Fall Orange, fancy, $1.50; 37 Red Cheek Pippin, fancy, 80c; 118 Baldwin, fancy, $1.35; 111 Ganos, extra, $1.25; sold by Central Fruit Auction company.

New York Barrelled Apple Market.

New York—Receipts on Barclay street dock were 61 cars. Trade active. Prices no higher. Greenings in heavy supply, mostly selling from $3.75 to $4.25. Few fancy marks selling from $4.50 to $4.75. Baldwins, common storage, No. 1s, selling from $4.00 to $4.75. Very few drawing over from $4.25 to $4.50. York Imperials selling from $4.25 to $4.75, mostly $4.50. Kings receipts light. Market from $4.50 to $5 for best stock.

ENORMOUS PRICES SECURED FOR APPLES

A. I. Mason of Hood River Gets Average of $1.80 f. o. b. for Specials.

That the apple market abroad continues in excellent shape is indicated by the returns now being received for supplies that were sent forward from Pacific northwest points.

A. I. Mason, the well known Hood River grower, has just received returns on a carload of special Newtowns which were sold in the Bremen, Germany, market by the Northwestern Fruit Exchange of this city. The average price for this grade and for offerings of 72s to 225s, was $1.80 per box, net, f. o. b, Hood River. Considering the small sizes and the quality of this fruit the sale is considered a record for the season.

Regarding the general foreign trade in apples, the Northwestern Fruit Exchange's London branch writes under date of November 28, as follows:

London Market.

Apples—Barrels: Arrivals very short, good stock exceedingly scarce. Considerable inquiry for extra fancy Yorks, Baldwins, Kings and Albemarles. The northern markets, however, are attracting the bulk of the shipments on account of the higher values obtainable. We expect London to continue to show improvement and think this market will compare very favorably with others on this stock later. Poor and rubbishy fruit seems about all cleaned up. Boxes: Situation here considerably changed, due in great measure to predicted shortage of Newtowns, coupled with the fact that floating and spot stocks contain very few boxes of desirable counts. Sizes 135 to 165 have advanced to $2.90 to $3.15, but everybody in difficulties with 80s to 104s and sale very slow at $2.20 to $2.40. The liability of this big fruit to develop rot spot and bitter pit makes it risky to hold for a protracted period whilst the retail trade is not keen to buy, as the size is too awkward to handle. These two factors nullify whatever advantage might have been gained on account of the shortage of the desirable counts. With regard to colored box fruit, the high prices asked reduce the demand to very narrow limits, and sales consequently slow.

Pears—Barrels very light indeed and Keiffers have advanced appreciably. Think prices will continue firm right along. Boxes: Winter Nelis continues to do well, although the fruit is for the main part very small in size. Supplies are limited, but matters are evened up by the fact that they are not everybody's goods at the prices asked. Comice are getting dangerous to handle and in this connection may say that some disastrous losses have been and are being made by operators here who have fallen down on the storage proposition.

Liverpool Market.

Apples—Arrivals fairly heavy, but the great strength of the market has enabled prices to be really more than maintained. All good barrel stock is making fine prices and in view of the fact that supplies of fruit under this category are reported to be on the small size, we are expecting to see a very strong market right to the end of the season. Boxes: Demand to an extent for desirable counts of Newtowns has followed in the wake of London and we have to report an advance. The demand for large size fruit, however, is very poor and sales are difficult at $2.20 to $2.40. Sales of colored box fruit are slow.

Pears—Light arrivals consisting mainly of Keiffers. Demand has considerably improved and very favorable prices are now being realized and will continue so right along. Boxes: Demand limited for Winter Nelis at the values we are asking, but hope to report improvement shortly. The same conditions prevail in Manchester generally as in Liverpool.

Glasgow Market.

Apples—Arrivals heavy, but demand stronger than ever. Fine prices being realized, having the effect of attracting liberal shipments from the other side. Boxes: Demand for Newtowns of desirable sizes an improving one, but yet a long way from the strength necessary to realize shippers' ideas of prices. Much better inquiry for red box apples.

Pears—Barrels very short, Keiffers selling about same figures as London. Boxes: Winter Nelis selling well and for our own consignments we are making from $3.70 to $3.90 per box.

San Francisco Produce Market.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Wheat: Per cental, club $1.50; northern bluestem $1.65@1.67½; do recleaned seed $1.70; Turkey red $1.55¾1.65; red Russian $1.50; fortyfold $1.52@1.55.

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

Potatoes—Per cental, delta whites 75c@$1.00; do fancy $1@1.50; Oregon Burbanks 85c@$1.25; Idaho $1.10@1.25; sweets $1.15@1.30.

Onions—Per cental, silverskins, $2@2.25; Oregon $2.40@2.50.

Butter—Extras 31c; firsts 30c.

Eggs—Extras 45½c; select pullets 42c; storage extras 35½c.

Cheese—New California flats 17c@17½; do Young America 15c@17; eastern 17½@20; Oregon twins 17c; do Young America 17c.

New York Cotton Market.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Jan.	1296	1297	1275	1275@76
Mar.	1309	1310	1288	1288@90
May	1304	1304	1285	1284@85
July	1293	1294	1274	1274@75
Aug.	1275	1275	1270	1252@53
Oct.	1202	1209	1195	1194@96
Dec.	1313	1314	1290	1290

CHEESE MARKET IS LIKELY TO ADVANCE

Advance of Half Cent a Pound Is Forecast by the Trade for the Opening of Week.

There will in all probability be an advance of ½c a pound in the local market for cheese Monday morning.

The strength of the trade is today the best of the season. The situation this year to date has been far above anything known in previous periods. There has not to date been any break in the price of cheese; in fact for months the market has been stationary at present extreme values.

Owing to the fact that the November make, which is about to be marketed, was of very limited size, it is generally understood that Tillamook interests will force the additional half cent in the price at the beginning of the week.

While supplies of cheese here have been very limited of late, there has been a very good demand shown both from the north and south and at no time recently have holdings shown any inclination to drag.

STOCKS ACT STRONGER

With Exception of Southern Pacific All of the Specialties Are Higher Today.

New York, Dec. 13.—There was a better feeling in the stock market for the day and with few exceptions the market closed at an advance. Considerable weakness was shown in Southern Pacific but the loss for the day was only ½ point. This was practically the only specialty that showed a loss for the session.

Even New Haven shares were firm and 1⅛ points higher at the closing today. Sugar was quite active with a net rise of a point but aside from these changes were fractional.

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

DESCRIPTION—	Open	High	Low	Close
Amalgamated Copper Co.	69⅛	69⅞	68⅝	69¾
American C. & Fdy., c.				43
American Can, c.	26⅛	26⅛	25⅝	26¼
American Can, pf.	87⅝	88	87½	87½
American Cotton Oil, c.				36
American Loco., c.	28⅛	28½	28⅜	28¼
American Sugar, c.	101⅛	101½	100½	102
American Smelt, c.	60⅝	60½	60⅝	61
American Smelt, pf.				98
Am. Tel. & Tel.	116	116	114⅝	115½
Anaconda Mining Co.	33⅝	34⅛	33⅝	34
Atchison, c.	92⅝	92⅝	92⅜	92⅝
Atchison, pf.				98½
Baltimore & Ohio, c.	91⅝	91⅝	91⅜	91⅝
Beet Sugar				22
Bethlehem Steel, c.				29
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	86	86½	86	86
Canadian Pacific, c.	222⅞	222⅞	221½	222
Central Leather, c.	24	24⅛	23⅞	24¼
Central Leather, pf.				92⅛
Chi. & G. W., c.				11
Chi. & G. W., pf.				27½
C., M. & St. P.	97½	97¼	97¼	97½
C. & N. W., c.				124⅝
Chino Copper	37¼	37¼	36⅞	37
Chesapeake & Ohio	56⅝	56⅝	56¼	56¼
Colorado F. & I., c.				26
Colorado Southern, c.				28
Consolidated Gas	127	127	126½	126
Corn Products, c.	8⅝	8⅝	8⅝	8⅝
Corn Products, pf.				62
Delaware & Hudson				150
Denver & R. G., c.				26
Erie, c.	27¼	27¼	26⅞	27¼
General Electric	137⅛	137¼	137	137¼
G. Northern, ore lands	31¼	31½	31	31½
G. Northern, pf.	124	124	123¾	123¾
Ice Securities	21½	21⅞	21½	21⅞
Illinois Central	105⅞	105⅞	105½	105½
Inter. Harvester				101
Inter. Metropolitan, pf.	58	58	57⅝	57⅝
Lehigh Valley	147¼	148¼	147¼	148
Kansas City Southern				23½
Mexican Petroleum	44½	45¼	44½	44¼
Louisville & Nashville				132
M., K. & T., c.				19½
M., K. & T., pf.				53⅝
Missouri Pacific	25⅛	25⅛	24⅞	25½
National Lead				42⅞
Nevada Consolidated				14⅛
New Haven	66½	67¼	65⅝	67½
New York Central	91⅞	92	91	91⅞
N. Y., O. & W.	25½	25½	25¼	25½
Norfolk & Western, c.				102¾
Northern Pacific, c.	107	107⅝	106⅝	107
Pacific Mail S. S. Co.				23
Pennsylvania Railway	107	107¼	106	106½
P. G., L. & C. Co.	117	117	116	116
Pressed Steel Car, c.				25
Pressed Steel Car, c.				92
Ray Cons. Copper	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝
Reading, c.	162⅛	162⅝	161½	162¼
Reading, 2d pf.				86⅝
Republic I. & S., c.				19
Republic I. & S., pf.	80¼	80⅛	80	80¼
Rock Island, c.	13½	13½	12⅝	13¼
Rock Island, pf.	20	20	19	19⅝
St. L. & S. F., 2d pf.				7
St. L. & S. F., 1st pf.				15
Southern Pacific, c.	86⅝	86½	85⅝	85⅞
Tenn. Copper	29	29	28⅝	29
Texas & Pacific				12
T., St. L. & W., c.				7⅝
T., St. L. & W., pf.				20
Union Pacific, c.	150⅞	151	149⅝	150⅝
Union Pacific, pf.				83
U. S. Rubber, c.				54¼
U. S. Rubber, pf.	100	100⅛	100	100
U. S. Steel Co., c.	55½	55⅝	55	55⅝
U. S. Steel Co., pf.	104⅝	104⅝	104⅝	104⅝
Utah Copper	48	48	47½	47⅝
Virginia Chemical	27½	27½	26⅝	26¼
Wabash, c.				3½
Wabash, pf.				10
W. U. Telegraph	60⅝	60⅝	60	60
Westinghouse Electric	64	64	63⅝	63¼
Wisconsin Central, c.				42½

Total sales 167,600 shares.

NORTHWEST BANK STATEMENT

Portland Banks.

Clearings—	This week.	Year ago.
Saturday	$1,995,548.47	$1,682,148.10
Friday	2,308,182.13	2,451,426.06
Thursday	2,355,876.91	2,485,115.51
Wednesday	1,664,290.98	2,076,515.78
Tuesday	2,039,810.50	2,352,094.11
Monday	2,048,436.90	2,145,262.80
Week	$12,402,145.98	$13,192,560.36

Tacoma Banks.

Clearings	$ 401,643.00
Balances	59,806.00

Seattle Banks.

Clearings	$2,165,630.00
Balances	246,912.00

Money and Exchange.

London, Dec. 13.—Silver, 26s 13-16 d; bank rate, 5 per cent.

New York, Dec. 13.—Sterling exchange—Long, $4.82; short, $4.86. Silver bullion, 58c.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Sterling exchange—60 days, $4.80¼; sight, $4.84¾; doc., $4.79¾. Transfers—Telegraphic, 4 per cent premium; sight, 1 per cent premiums.

LIVESTOCK MARKET IS LACKING OFFERINGS IN NO. PORTLAND YARDS

Only One Load Comes Forward and This Comes Direct to Killer; General Situation Is Reported Not Quite So Good Locally.

Today's Hog Market.

	Tops.
North Portland	$7.90
Chicago	7.90
Kansas City	7.80
South Omaha	7.50
Denver	7.60

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Saturday	87	..	..	....
Friday	1093	287	..	1199
Thursday	723	7	..	85
Wednesday	1098	153	..	373
Tuesday	445	69	15	502
Monday	3565	1542	11	727
Week ago	260	141	2	295
Year ago	157	263	2	436
Two years ago	919	..	..	95

The week's end showed no arrivals for the livestock market at North Portland. Only a single load of swine arrived and these were a direct shipment to the Union Meat company from their buyer at Canby.

The situation in the hog trade locally is not so firm. Notwithstanding the fact that sales have been made of late up to $8 still the bulk of the business shows a loss from former figures; and this is what the actual market is guaged at.

There was a firmer tone in the hog trade at points east of the Rockies for the day. At Chicago there was an advance of 5c although tops continued at yesterday's average.

Kansas City hog market was a nickel better than yesterday with tops at $7.80.

South Omaha likewise showed strength in the swine trade for the day; values being a nickel better generally.

Today's general hog market range:

Top killers	$7.85@7.90
Good and light	7.75@7.85
Heavy	7.25@7.50
Rough and heavy	6.75@7.00

Cattle Market Is Quiet.

Market for cattle has received so much stuff recently that a rather quiet tone is shown and this will likely be continued for some days. The condition is a usual one during holiday time and the holding of the fat stock show at this time only aggravated the situation by bringing in even more stuff.

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

Kansas City cattle market was firm at former prices.

South Omaha had no cattle arrivals for the day:

Today's general cattle market range:

Best steers	$7.90@8.00
Ordinary steers	7.50@7.60
Poor steers	7.00@7.25
Best heifers	6.90
Best cows	6.90
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 Remain Strong.

The situation in the mutton market is one of strength for good quality although the lines in this regard are being rather tightly drawn by killers and it takes exceptional quality to bring the extreme figures.

For poor to ordinary stuff the market is just about holding its own with no late changes in values. There were no arrivals in this division overnight.

Chicago sheep market was strong for the day.

Kansas City sheep trade was strong at former prices.

South Omaha had no arrivals of sheep this morning.

Today's general mutton market range:

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

Comparative Livestock Receipts.

Following are comparative receipts at North Portland for the various periods:

	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Month to date	3,146	51	11,811	5,510
Same, 1912	1,276	29	8,684	8,367
Increase	1,870	22	3,127	......
Decrease	......	......	......	2,857
Year to date	77,446	4,641	178,053	280,366
Same, 1912	73,104	2,676	112,701	239,405
Increase	4,242	1,965	65,352	409,961

Friday Afternoon Sales.

STEERS

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
Oregon	1	1100	$7.75
Oregon	28	1134	7.35
Oregon	1	1030	7.25
Oregon	9	912	7.25
Oregon	25	981	6.90
Oregon	20	957	6.90
Oregon	21	987	6.90
Oregon	24	983	6.90
Oregon	29	1023	6.75
Oregon	1	910	6.35
Oregon	7	950	6.35
Oregon	52	917	6.35
COWS			
Oregon	1	1200	$6.75
Oregon	15	944	6.10
Oregon	29	948	6.10
Oregon	6	1008	6.00
HOGS			
Idaho	98	168	$7.85
Oregon	110	175	7.85
Oregon	108	172	7.85
Idaho	127	140	7.75
Idaho	82	187	7.70
Idaho	7	327	7.00
Oregon	6	423	6.85

Saturday Morning Sales.

COWS

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
Oregon	1	1110	$4.75
Oregon	1	1050	4.00

OMAHA SWINE PRICES HIGHER

Sales Made in the Missouri River Yards at Advance of Nickel.

(Special to The Journal.)

South Omaha, Dec. 13.—Cattle—none. Hogs—6400; market 5c higher at $7.30@7.50.

Sheep—none.

San Francisco Barley Calls.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Barley calls:

	Dec. 12. Close.	—Dec. 13— Open.	Close.
December	132	130½ B	130½ B
May	137	136½ B	137⅝ A

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WHEAT GROWERS ARE ASKING MORE MONEY FOR SUPPLIES TODAY

Little Grain Can Be Secured Under 85 Cents Per Bushel, Tidewater Track Basis, and This Is Slightly More Than Trade Offers.

PORTLAND GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Monday	191	2	24	13	18
Tuesday	79	7	14	17	9
Wednesday	73	4	2	3	9
Thursday	40	3	8	11	10
Friday	78	5	11	5	15
Saturday	69	5	11	15	3
Year ago	90	6	5	7	2
Total this week	530	26	70	64	62
Year ago	460	80	36	38	41
Season to date	10,106	1485	1291	1060	1489
Year ago	10,052	1405	1104	987	1134

There continues a very firm tone in the wheat trade at interior Pacific northwest points. While prevailing bids here are not above 84c a bushel for club, and some are offering a cent less than this, the general trade is of the opinion that little wheat can be obtained under 85c a bushel, tidewater track basis.

Most of the growers are holding for at least this price. Stocks in the country are far less than had been formerly anticipated and for that reason all of the big as well as small interests are inclined to take hold without much delay.

On the other hand prices are booming so high here that no business has been confirmed for Oriental account. The Japanese continue to inquire for prices, but this seems to be the extent of the business. It is now generally believed that unless Japan buys quickly, there will be no wheat available for that account.

California remains a big factor in the trade with rather liberal purchases reported for milling account.

WHEAT—Producers' prices, track basis: Club, 83@84c; milling bluestem, [illegible]94c; fortyfold, 84@85c; red Russian and hybrids, 82@83; valley, 84@85c.

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

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

FLOUR—Selling price: Patent, $4.50@4.60; Willamette valley, $4.60; 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; Alsike, 12@13c.

WHEAT SITUATION WEAK

Chicago Market Closes With a Loss of ⅛ to ¼ Cent; Pressure at the Opening.

Chicago, Dec. 13. — There was a weaker situation generally in the wheat market today, and closing was ⅛ to ¼c a bushel lower than yesterday. At the opening there was a loss of ½c in December, but this was subsequently recovered, and half of it lost later. May opened unchanged and advanced ⅛c, then turning weak and dropping ½c or a net loss of a fraction.

There was a firmer tone abroad due to the better feeling at Buenos Ayres, and this caused some of the recovery after the first loss here.

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

Month.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT				
Dec.	89	89¼	89	89¼
May	92½	92⅝	91⅞	92 A
July	89⅛	89⅛	88⅝	88¾ B
CORN				
Dec.	69⅛	70	69⅝	69¼ A
May	69⅝	70	69⅛	69⅛
July	69⅛	69¼	68⅝	68⅞
OATS				
Dec.	39⅛	39⅜	39¼	39¼
May	42⅛	42¼	41⅞	41⅞ B
July	41⅛	41⅝	40⅞	41
PORK				
Jan.	....	....	....	2090
May	2100	2105	2092	2095
LARD				
Jan.	1075	1077	1072	1072 B
May	1107	1107	1102	1105 A
RIBS				
Jan.	1092	1095	1090	1090 B
May	1117	1120	1115	1115

Seattle Produce Market.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 13.—Eggs: Select ranch 46@47c; April storage 31@35c.

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

Cheese—Tillamook 17½@18c; Young America 19c; triplets 18c; Wisconsin twins 18c; Oregon triplets 17@18c.

Onions—California yellow 2¼@2¾c; local $1.50@1.75 per sack; Oregon 2¾c per lb.

Potatoes—Local $20@22 per ton; Yakima gems $23@24.

FEDERALS TRYING TO GET REINFORCEMENTS INTO TAMPICO BY SEA

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to reinforce the federal garrison. A train load of troops arrived today from Mexico City, and negotiations were opened with the Mexican Navigation company to transport them to Tampico.

It was understood, too, that the federal gunboat Zaragoza had been ordered to Tuxpan, to take General Maas and his force from there to the scene of the battle.

Admiral Fletcher ordered all Americans from the city. Five hundred refugees who were packed like sardines on board the gunboat Wheeling and the cruiser Tacoma were transferred to roomier quarters on the battleships Virginia, Rhode Island and New Jersey, outside the harbor.

The steamship Morro Castle was expected tomorrow to take off all those who wish to leave Tampico's vicinity.

Foreigners were safe, Fletcher announced by wireless, but he could not answer specifically concerning individuals.

The Spanish steamship Maria Christina was taking on stores here today, preparatory to sailing this evening for Tampico to take Spanish refugees on board.

Englishman Visits Carranza.

London, Dec. 13.—Dispatches telling of a conference at Hermosillo, Mexico, between Major Martin Archer Shee, a Conservative member of the British house of commons, and General Carranza, Mexican rebel leader, caused considerable gossip, both in political and business circles here, today.

Convinced that the Huerta regime was doomed, was some British interest opening negotiations with the leader of the one expected to succeed it? Was the question politicians and financiers asked one another. If anyone could answer the question, he preferred not to do so. It was at least certain that the major did not represent the British government, even unofficially, since, with a Liberal administration, a Liberal emissary assuredly would have been chosen.

The major's own version, as given in cabled accounts of the conference, was that the Mexican situation was likely enough to come up in parliament, and he thought it best to inform himself concerning it.

Carranza Disclaims Responsibility.

Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 13.—General Carranza, Mexican constitutionalist leader, has disclaimed responsibility for the safety of W. S. Windham of Pasadena, Cal., and B. M. Dunn, both Americans, who are held for ransom by rebels in Tepec territory, Mexico. In a message to N. V. Anaya, his agent here, Carranza declared that the men were not held by the military authorities in his jurisdiction. Windham and Dunn were employed on a ranch where they were captured.

Federals Capture Three Towns.

Eagle Pass, Texas, Dec. 13.—The capture by General Tellez, Mexican federal, of Gomez Palacio, Lerdo and Torreon was reported here today in messages from Tellez himself to local federal sympathizers. Torreon was taken, Tellez said, after eight desperate assaults. He gave the number of rebels killed as 400 but did not mention his own losses.

Transport Sails for Tampico.

Galveston, Texas, Dec. 13.—The army transport Sumner sailed from here today for Tampico. It carried rations for 500 passengers and will accommodate 752, not counting the crew. It will reach Tampico Monday.

Warships for Rose Festival.

Washington, Dec. 13. — Secretary Daniels informs Senator Chamberlain that while it is too early definitely to promise warships for the Rose Festival, the request will be filed and considered in due time.

CHICAGO HOGS ARE STRONGER

Tops Continue at $7.90 in Yards; Sheep Also Firm.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Hogs—16,000; market strong. Mixed, $7.40@7.90; heavy, $7.60@7.85; rough, $7.20@7.50; light, $7.35@7.80.

Cattle—700; market steady.

Sheep—2000; market steady.

DENVER SHEEP PRICES STRONG

Market Continues Favorable in Colorado Yards; Hogs Steady.

(Special to The Journal.)

Denver, Dec. 13.—Hogs—350. Market steady at $7.45@7.60.

Cattle—600. Market steady. Steers, $5.75@7.25; cows and heifers, $5.00@6.80.

Sheep—1100. Market strong. Yearlings, $5.00@6.00; weathers, $4.25@5.00; ewes, $3.75@4.45; lambs, $6.50@7.75.

KANSAS CITY HOGS ARE FIRM

Tops Are Up to $7.80; Small Run in All Lines for Day.

Kansas City, Dec. 13.—Hogs 2000. Market strong, 5c higher.

Cattle—100. Market strong.

Sheep—2000. Market strong.

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ATTEMPT MADE TO KILL N. Y. CENTRAL HEAD

Engine and Part of Train Is Ditched by Removal of Rail From Track.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 13.—An attempt to kill President Andrew Smith of the New York Central Railroad in a train was what detectives today termed the ditching of the Lake Shore's New England Express near Wickliffe, last midnight. A reward of $1000 has been offered for the capture of the men who wrecked the train.

Though the suspected plot failed so far as Smith was concerned, his private car at the train's rear not even leaving the rails, four mail cars, a combination coach and three Pullmans jumped the track, and only steel construction saved the passengers, while the locomotive rolled completely over, killing the fireman and seriously injuring the engineer.

Smith occupied a private car, attached to the rear of the train, but it was not derailed. He rushed from his car and saw four men running from the scene.

"Are you all in the ditch?" one of the men asked Smith.

Seventeen spikes had been pulled and a rail removed from the track.

REPORT ON SALES OF GOVERNMENT TIMBER

District Forester George H. Cecil of the United States forest service has just prepared a report showing that timber sales for the first five months of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1913, made in Oregon, Washington and Alaska, have amounted to $129,157. The latest body of timber offered for sale is on the north fork of the Santiam river, along the line of the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, in the Santiam national forest. Consisting approximately of 1,000,000 feet of Douglas fir, western red cedar and western hemlock saw timber, valued at $1.60 per 1000 board feet, the purchasers are allowed approximately six months for its removal.

HOPING FOR VOTE BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Washington, Dec. 13. — Democratic senate leaders were hopeful today of an agreement being reached on a date for a vote on the currency bill before Christmas. It was not believed, however, that the Republicans would agree to a date until all arguments are finished.

MRS. PANKHURST ON WAY BACK TO LONDON

Paris, Dec. 13.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst started to return to London today.

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