FAIRLY GOOD RETURNS ARE RECEIVED FOR THE SELECTED APPLES

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CANNED TOMATOES ARE FIRMER WITH A RISE IN QUOTATIONS

Big Packers Are Entirely Sold Out of Solid Pack or Fancy Goods and Standards Are Up to 90@ 95c Dozen Here.

The extremely strong tone of the canned tomato market is attracting much attention from the canned goods trade throughout the United States. With the eastern crop all but a failure this season, even though the Pacific coast states had one of their best crops; tomato supplies in the country are getting quite well cleaned up.

According to advices received here, the California Fruit Canners' association, which controlled a local packing concern, has entirely sold out its great pack of solid pack or fancy goods. The price of standards has been advanced by degrees since the season opened, and today is quoted at 90 to 95c a dozen by local jobbers, or 20c a dozen above initial figures.

Fact that the east had a comparatively small output of tomatoes this season, caused unusually heavy supplies from Pacific coast states to go into that territory, resulting in a shortage here and extremely firm prices along the coast.

With jobbers unable to replenish their stocks of solid pack tomatoes, it is expected that before the season is over there will be practically none available in any hands.

EGG TRADE IS WAVERING

Trade in the egg market is wavering between steadiness and weakness. Some dealers claim that there is a smaller demand with a slight increase in offerings. Prices along the coast generally easier, too.

CHICKENS ARE CLEANED UP

Practically all chicken supplies were cleaned up last Saturday and at the opening of the week there were practically no offerings. General situation is considered steady at full values for quality.

ONION MARKET IS DRIFTING

Market for onions is drifting locally with some poor quality being offered at lower prices. Good quality is steady to firm at the former range. Potatoes are holding steady with the trade fair.

DRESSED VEALS IN DEMAND

Excellent tone is showing in the front street trade for best quality dressed veals; calves with prices well sustained at 16c a pound. Country killed hogs are generally quoted slow with no further price change.

SMALL SUPPLY OF SMELTS

Very small supply of Columbia river smelt was reported in the wholesale market but offerings were too limited to base quotations. The run thus far has been extremely disappointing to the general trade.

BRIEF NOTES OF THE TRADE

Orange decline in effect.
Butter market is steady.
Cheese continues firm.
California egg plant offering at 10c.
Cabbage demand slightly better.
Jap oranges are not selling well.
Cranberry prices mixed because of wide spread of quality.

SHIPPERS' WEATHER NOTICE

Weather bureau sends the following notice to shippers:

Protect shipments during the next 48 hours as far north as Seattle against minimum temperatures of about 35 degrees; northeast to Spokane, 26 degrees; southeast to Boise, 28 degrees; south to Ashland, 35 degrees. Minimum temperature at Portland tonight about 40 degrees.

JOBBING PRICES OF PORTLAND

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

Dairy Produce.

BUTTER — City creamery cubes, fancy, 31½c; firsts, 29½c; seconds, 28½c; prints and cartons, extra; country creamery cubes, 27@29c; Oregon dairy, 18@19c.

BUTTERFAT—Portland delivery—Premium cream, 33c; No. 1 sour cream, 31c; No. 2, 29c; sweet cream, 35c per lb.

EGGS—Selling price by dealers, delivery extra—Selected fresh, 42c doz.; storage, 24@27c; case count, Oregon ranch, 37c doz.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, fancy Plymouth Rock, 13@14c; ordinary chickens, 11@12c; 1½ and 2 lbs., 12@13c; turkeys, 17c; dressed broilers, 1½ and 2 lbs., 12@13c; turkeys, 17c; dressed fancy, 20@22c lb.; culls, 14c lb.; pigeons, $1.00@1.25; squabs, $1.20 doz.; geese, live, 7c; Pekin ducks, old, 13c; young and heavy, 14c; Indian Runners, 12c.

JACKRABBITS—Fancy $1.50@1.75.

CHEESE—Selling price—Fresh Oregon fancy full cream triplets, 18@18½c; Young America, 19@20c. Price to jobbers, flats, 17c; Young America, 18c f. o. b.; cream brick, 18@20c; limberger, 20c lb.

Fruits and Vegetables.

FRESH FRUITS — Oranges, fancy navel, $2.50@3.50; bananas, 5c lb.; lemons, $3.00@4.50 box; grape fruit, Florida, $4.50@5.50 case; pineapples, 7@8c lb.; pears, $1.25@1.60; huckleberries, 5@7c; grapes, 50c@$1 per crate.

APPLES—Local, $1.00@2.25 per box, according to quality.

ONIONS—Local, $1.25 per cental; association selling price, carloads, $1.00 f. o. b. country points; garlic, 12@15c lb.

POTATOES—Selling price—New crop, local, $1.00@1.25; buying price, 90c@$1.00 per cental; sweets, $2.50@2.75.

VEGETABLES—Turnips (—); beets, 75c per sack; carrots, new, 75c per sack; parsnips (—) per sack; cabbage (local), 75c; green onions, 10@12½c dozen bunches; peppers, bell, 4c; head lettuce, California, $2.25 crate; celery, domestic, 40@75c; cauliflower, 50c@$1.00 dozen; French artichokes, $1.00 per dozen; string beans, 10c; hothouse cucumbers, 40@50c doz.; tomatoes, California, $1.50; egg plant, 8@8½c lb.; sprouts, 8½c per lb.; cranberries, local, $10.50; eastern, $9.50@12.00 per barrel.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS — Selling price—Country killed: Fancy hogs, 6½@7c lb.; ordinary, 5@6c; fancy veals, 9c; ordinary, 7@8c; poor, 5@6c; goats, 3½@4c; spring lambs, 10c; mutton, 5@8c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC. — Hams, 14@19c; breakfast bacon, 16@29c; boiled hams, 27c; picnic, 9½c; cottage roll, 13½c; Oregon exports, 11½@13c lb.

OYSTERS—Olympia, per gallon, $3; canned eastern, 55c can, $6.50 dozen; eastern in shell, $1.85 per 100; razor clams, 12½c dozen; eastern oysters, per gallon, solid pack, $3.00.

FISH—Dressed flounders, 7c; silverside salmon, 8½@9c; steel head, 10c; perch, 7@8c; lobsters, 23c lb.; silver smelt, 7c; salmon trout, 12½c lb.; halibut, 8@10c; Columbia smelt, 35@40c lb.

LARD—Tierces, kettle rendered, 12c; standard, 10½c.

CRABS—Large, $2.00; medium, $1.50 doz.

Groceries.

SUGAR—Cube, $7.25; powdered, $7.10; fruit or berry, $6.85; beet, $6.50; dry granulated, $6.85; D yellow, $6.15. (Above quotations are 30 days net cash.)

RICE—Japan style, No. 2, 4¾c; New Orleans, head, 5¾@6½c; blue rose, 4½c.

SALT—Coarse, half grounds, 100s, $10.55 per ton; 50s, $11.30; table dairy, 50s, $16; 100s, $17.50; bales, $2.25; lump rock, $20 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, $7.25; large white, $7.25; pink, $5.75; limas, $6.00; bayou, $6.75; red, $6.50.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—Nominal buying price, 1915 crop, choice, 11½c; prime, 11c; medium to prime, 8@10c.

HONEY—New, $3.25@3.50 per case.

WOOL—Nominal, 1915 clip: Willamette valley, coarse Cotswold, 20c; medium Shropshire, 23c; choice fancy lots, 25c; eastern Oregon, 14@22c.

HIDES—Salted hides, 25 lbs. and up, 15c; salted stags, 50 lbs. and up, 11½c; salted kip, 15 to 25 lbs., 15c; salted calf, up to 15 lbs., 18c; green hides, 25 lbs. and up, 14c; green stags, 50 lbs. and up, 10c; green kip, 35 lbs. to 25 lbs., 16c; green calf, up to 15 lbs., 18c; dry flint hides, 25c; dry flint calf, up to 7 lbs., 27c; dry salt hides, 20c; dry horsehides, each 50c to $1.00; salt horsehides, each, $2.00 to $3.00; horsehair, 25c; dry long wool pelts, 16c; dry short wool pelts, 12c; dry sheep shearlings, each, 10 to 15c.

TALLOW—No. 1, 4½@4¾c; No. 2, 4@4¼c; grease, 3@3½c.

MOHAIR—1915—30c.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK — Buying price, per car lots, 3½@4c; less than car lots, 5c.

Paints and Oils.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls., 79c gallon; kettle boiled, bbls., 81c; raw, cases, 84c; boiled, cases, 86c gal.; lots of 250 gallons 1c less; oil cake meal, $44 per ton.

COAL OIL—Water white in drums and iron barrels, 10c.

TURPENTINE—Tanks, 67c; cases, 74c gallon.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 8¼c lb.; 500 lb. lots, 8¾c lb.; less lots, 9c per lb.

OIL MEAL—Carload lots, $34.

WILL BUY

10,000 shares Alaska Petroleum & Coal at 6 cents.
10 shares Pacific States Fire.
10 Coin Mfg. Co.

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Turkeys in Demand At Good Prices in Front St. Trading

Market Is About Bare of Offerings; Outlook for Christmas Trade Is Good Here.

With receipts comparatively limited, there is a fair demand at this time for turkeys with prices well sustained and in some instances a fraction better.

Demand at the moment is shown for both the live and dressed stock and prices are well up to the average received during the Thanksgiving trade.

Turkeys generally rule in this market for the Christmas trade from 20c to 22c a pound with occasional sales fractionally higher or lower than these figures. There is always a good demand for best quality birds and the local trade asserts that there never was a time when real good stuff did not sell freely and at advanced values.

Very little supply of turkeys is held in storage here. As this stock cost storage interests quite high figures, it is not expected that they will have any depressing influence upon the price for the Christmas trade.

AMERICAN LIVESTOCK PRICES

Omaha Hogs $6.35.

Omaha, Dec. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts, 8700; lower. Heavy, $6.10@6.35; light, $6.10@6.35; pigs, $5.25@6.25; bulk of sales, $6.15@6.30.

Cattle—Receipts, 6600; steady. Native steers, $6.00@9.10; cows and heifers, $5.25@6.75; western steers, $6.00@7.50; Texas steers, $5.70@6.75; stockers and feeders, $5.00@7.25.

Sheep — Receipts, 10,300; strong. Yearlings, $6.25@7.15; wethers, $5.75@6.50; lambs, $8.40@9.00.

St. Louis Hogs $6.65.

St. Louis, Dec. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; steady. Pigs and lights, $5.25@6.50; mixed and butchers, $6.25@6.65; good heavy, $6.60@6.55.

Cattle—Receipts, 7000; steady. Native beef steers, $7.50@10.40; yearling steers and heifers, $8.50@10.20; cows, $5.50@7.00; stockers and feeders, $5.00@7.25; southern steers, $5.25@8.50; cows and heifers, $4.00@6.50; native calves, $6.00@10.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 2500; steady. Yearlings, $6.50@7.50; lambs, $8.00@9.25; sheep and ewes, $5.50@6.50.

Kansas City Hogs, $6.50.

Kansas City, Dec. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts, 13,000; lower; bulk, $6.15@6.40; heavy, $6.30@6.50; packers and butchers, $6.20@6.45; light, $6.10@6.35; pigs, $5@5.75.

Cattle — Receipts, 18,000; higher; prime fed steers, $9.25@10; dressed beef steers, $7@9; western steers, $6.25@8.25; stockers and feeders, $5.25@8.75; bulk, $4.50@6; calves, $6@9.50.

Sheep — Receipts, 10,000; steady; lambs, $8.25@8.85; yearlings, $6.75@7.50; wethers, $5.75@6.60.

Chicago Hogs, $6.75.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts, 42,000; firm, unchanged to 5c above Saturday's average. Bulk, $6.00@6.50; light, $5.60@6.40; mixed, $5.90@6.70; heavy, $6.10@6.75; rough, $6.10@6.25; pigs, $4.15@5.50.

Cattle—Receipts, 20,000; steady. Native beef steers, $5.50@10.35; western steers, $6.10@8.20; cows and heifers, $2.60@8.25; calves, $6.50@10.35.

Sheep—Receipts, 35,000; weak. Wethers, $5.15@6.75; lambs, $7.15@9.35.

Denver Hogs $6.50.

Denver, Dec. 13. — Cattle — 3600; strong. Beef steers, $6.00@7.25; cows and heifers, $5.00@6.25; stockers and feeders, $6.00@7.25; calves, $7.00@9.50.

Hogs—2700; weak. Top, $6.50; bulk, $6.15@6.25.

Sheep—200; steady.

Seattle Hogs $6.25.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 13.—(P. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts, 6266; steady. Prime lights, $6.20@6.25; medium to choice, $6.05@6.15; smooth heavies, $5.70@5.75; rough heavies, $5.20@5.25; pigs, $5.20@6.15.

Cattle—Receipts, 127; steady. Best steers, $6.75@7.30; common to medium steers, $5.50@6.25; best cows, $5.50@6.25; common to medium cows, $3.00@4.50; bulls, $3.50@5.50; calves, $5.50@8.00.

Sheep — Receipts, none; steady. Lambs, $7.00@7.35; yearlings, $6.00@6.50; ewes, $3.50@5.50.

Today's shippers:

Hogs—D. C. Sirgenson, Lewiston, Idaho, 84; Grover Bros., Payette, Idaho, 222; W. Chandler, Dayton, 88; Sinnis-Sippi Farm company, Florence, Mont., 168; Ralph Tower, Polson, Mont., 245; Tim Lydston, Weiser, Idaho, 161; Inland Meat company, Mansfield, 288; H. M. Pike, Burke, Idaho, 160; E. Robertson, Lamont, 80; Attalia D. U. Co., Attalia, 85; M. Levinson, Willsaw, Mont., 266; P. E. Pratt, Kennewick, 104; Ensch & Levinson, Livingston, Mont., 67; James Corbin, North Yakima, 105; T. S. Hunt, Kamiah, Idaho, 82; Miller & Dunn, Nampa, Idaho, 934; Elgin Forwarding company, Joseph, Or., 298; A. Schoefer, Stanfield, Or., 107; W. D. Steen, Bluemont, Or., 97; T. H. Stephenson, Condon, Or., 88; J. O. Hackett, Wallowa, Or., 231; Baker, Ward & Harrington, Caldwell, Idaho, 1068; F. W. Fater, Garnett, Idaho, 174.

Cattle—J. H. Smithson, Ellensburg, 73; George Burdick, Mount Vernon, 30; Tim Lydston, Weiser, Idaho, 13; F. W. Fater, Garnett, Idaho, 7; James Corbin, North Yakima, 4.

DAIRY PRODUCE ON THE COAST

Seattle Market.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 13.—(U. P.)—Butter—Native Washington creamery brick, 33c; ditto solid pack, 32c.

Cheese — Oregon triplets, 17c; Wisconsin twins, 21c; ditto triplets, 21c; Washington twins, 17c; Young America, 18c.

Eggs—Select ranch, 48c; April storage, 30c.

San Francisco Market.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 13.—(U. P.)—Butter—Extras, 28c; prime firsts, 25c; firsts, 24c.

Eggs—Extras, 44c; pullets, 34½c.

Cheese—California fancy, 17c; firsts, 15c.

Los Angeles Market.

Los Angeles, Dec. 13.—(P. N. S.)—Eggs—Case count, 38c.

Butter—Fresh, extras, 36c.

POTATOES ALONG THE COAST

Seattle Market.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 13.—(U. P.)—Onions—Oregon, 1¾c.

Potatoes — White river, $17@18; Yakima Burbanks, $22@24; Yakima gems, $21@23.

San Francisco Market.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—(U. P.)—Potatoes—Delta, 90c@$1.05 per cental; Idaho russets, $1.20@1.30; Idaho russets, $1.25@1.60; Salinas, $1.55@1.85; Oregons, $1.35@1.60; sweets, $1.35@1.50.

Onions—25c@$1.00 per sack, according to condition.

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	1211	1216	1185	1216
March	1228	1242	1206	1241
May	1235	1266	1225	1265
July	1235	1277	1233	1274
October	1195	1234	1190	1233
December	1210	1210	1190	1210

GRAIN FED STEERS IN N. PORTLAND YARDS REACH $7.50 AGAIN

Several Carloads Sold During the Morning at Extreme Mark; Cows Also in Better Position; Hogs Steady at Former Prices.

CATTLE PRICE IS STRETCHED.

While the market for what is ordinarily called top stuff went at $7 in the steer division at North Portland, some grain fed stuff sold at $7.50 during the morning; indicating a firmer trend of everything and especially quality stock.

Hogs were also stronger during the late trading with some extra good stuff stretching the price at nickel at $6.05.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Monday	7284	521	..	1347
Saturday	910	44	1	7
Friday	2899	227	1	49
Thursday	673	129	3	193
Wednesday	963	73	13	44
Tuesday	460	32	..	204
Week ago	7242	1130	27	1984
Year ago	1915	153	..	1100
Two years ago	862	163	1	4290
Three years ago	2516	843	1	4292

Cattle market showed a strong trend at North Portland during the day with sales of top steers again at the $7 mark. Several carload lots were sold at the extreme figure with killers somewhat more interested in the general situation than formerly.

There was an extremely good tone in the cow market with a carload sold early in the day at $6.00 for favorable quality.

Further decrease in offerings of cattle were shown at North Portland for the day and this was the big influence in forcing prices to a stronger point.

General cattle market range:

Best hay fed steers	$6.90@7.00
Good to choice steers	6.85
Ordinary to fair	6.00@6.75
Best cows	5.50
Good to prime	4.50@5.00
Best bulls	4.00@4.25
Fancy bulls	4.00@4.25
Ordinary bulls	2.50@3.00
Best calves	7.00@7.50

Hogs Steady Here.

Market for hogs was steady at North Portland for the first day of the week. The run over Sunday totaled greater than during last Monday although the showing was slightly less than the previous week's start.

Hogs held rather well on North Portland with tops at $6.00@6.00 for extreme quality, which is substantially the same as the trade closed at last week.

General hog market:

Best light	$5.90@6.00
Medium light	5.85
Good to heavy	5.70@5.80
Rough to heavy	5.00@5.50

Sheep Situation Unchanged.

No change is shown in the sheep or lamb situation at North Portland. There was a fair run over Sunday, the totals being slightly in excess of those of the previous Sunday.

Entire mutton and lamb situation here is considered steady to strong; the top stuff showing especial strength at full prices.

General mutton and lamb prices:

Select interior lambs	$ 7.50
Ordinary interior lambs	7.25@7.35
Willamette valley lambs	7.35@7.50
Wethers	6.00@6.25
Select ewes, light	5.35@5.50

Monday Livestock Shippers.

Hogs—W. G. Jenkins, Ontario, two loads; Bert Kimball, Pomeroy, Wash., two loads; A. H. Smith, Bliss, Idaho, two loads; L. Fulton, Stanley, Idaho, one load; W. H. Steen, Athena, one load; Ben G. Faust, Brogan, one load; Todd & Calkins, Haines, one load; F. W. Strong, Hope, Idaho, one load; R. H. Fotheringham, Jameson, one load; Grover Bros., Nyssa, two loads; A. M. Johnson, one load; W. F. Lawrence, Vale, one load; E. Frostrup, Roosevelt, Wash., Miller & Dunn, Boise, Idaho, one load; Nampa, two loads; L. V. Miller, Enterprise, one load; Elgin Forwarding company, Joseph, two loads; Enterprise, one load; J. W. Chandler, three loads; G. M. Cannon, two loads; Farmers' Meat Market, Joseph, three loads; H. M. Prosser, Wallowa, one load; J. B. Hacket, two loads; A. Hager, Weiser, Idaho, one load; Halley & Dickerson, three loads; John A. Kelley, two loads; F. A. Miller, Adrian, one load; N. M. Sutton, Homedale, Idaho, one load; B. E. Meyer, Imbler, two loads; Kiddle Bros., Island City, one load; I. L. Fugett, North Powder, one load; F. L. Cundiff, Robinette, one load; A. Schaefer, Stanfield, one load; R. Morris, Union Junction, two loads; Cyrus Williams, one load; Kiddle Bros., one load; J. D. Watson, Patton, Idaho, one load; L. Miller, Wilder, Idaho, one load; Farmers' Market, Union Junction, two loads; A. F. Younce, Arlington, one load; F. M. Crews, Blalock, one load; G. R. Lent, Lebanon, one load.

Cattle—Stanley Ranch company, Bend, one load; T. J. Ferguson, Metolius, one load; William McCormack, Redmond, two loads; Al Nickol, one load; L. H. Barnes, Terrebonne, two loads; Dickerson & Halley, Payette, Idaho, three loads; H. R. Peacock, Caldwell, Idaho, four loads; H. R. Dibble, 57 head by boat; F. A. Ferdinand, 23 head by boat.

Sheep—P. E. Short, Payette, Idaho, one load; Olson & Mooney, Robinette, one load; C. Huston, Redmond, two loads.

Mixed stuff—O. E. Cordiba, Joseph, two loads cattle and hogs; W. B. Hunter, Lostine, four loads cattle and hogs; W. W. Cooper, Union Junction, one load cattle and hogs; W. B. Hunter, Wallowa, two loads cattle and hogs; F. A. Phillip, Baker, two loads cattle and hogs; C. W. Davidson, Halines, one load cattle and hogs; H. J. Harris, Redmond, one load cattle and hogs; R. A. Thompson, Hepper, two loads cattle, hogs and sheep; H. A. Yoakum, Winch, one load cattle and hogs.

Monday Morning Sales.

STEERS.

No.		Ave. Lbs.	Price.
23	steers	1203	$7.50
25	steers	1200	7.25
24	steers	1309	7.00
22	steers	1269	7.00
23	steers	1233	7.00
10	steers	1080	6.50
8	steers	1011	5.50
2	steers	860	5.00
1	steer	630	3.00
27	steers	980	6.30
17	steers	870	5.00
2	steers	1145	4.50
17	steers	1246	7.50
1	steer	1300	7.50
4	steers	1212	6.75
60	steers	980	6.25
28	steers	990	6.25
1	steer	1320	6.00

COWS.

22	cows	1041	$5.00
2	cows	1055	5.50
3	cows	1050	4.00
4	cows	1105	4.00
1	cow	1040	3.00
1	cow	1000	4.00

BULLS.

1	bull	1710	$4.00
1	bull	1440	3.25
1	bull	1250	2.00
1	bull	1280	2.00
1	bull	1240	3.00

HOGS.

94	hogs	173	$6.00
115	hogs	162	6.00
109	hogs	174	5.95
73	hogs	200	5.95
70	hogs	123	5.00
8	hogs	346	5.00
6	hogs	200	5.00
11	hogs	376	4.95
86	hogs	200	6.00
55	hogs	144	6.00
57	hogs	201	6.00
95	hogs	200	6.00
106	hogs	200	6.00
193	hogs	200	6.00
106	hogs	183	6.00
111	hogs	201	6.00
215	hogs	166	6.00
93	hogs	190	6.00
31	hogs	180	5.95
89	hogs	190	5.95
73	hogs	190	5.95
85	hogs	200	5.85
9	hogs	330	5.00
4	hogs	330	5.00
14	hogs	332	5.00
57	hogs	116	5.00
6	hogs	300	5.00
3	hogs	123	5.00
5	hogs	132	4.95
102	hogs	190	6.05
94	hogs	200	6.00
199	hogs	200	6.00
111	hogs	183	6.00
112	hogs	175	6.00
65	hogs	200	6.00
22	hogs	240	6.00
80	hogs	171	6.00
101	hogs	176	6.00
168	hogs	192	5.90
61	hogs	182	5.85

Wheat Market Has A Mixed Tone in The World Centers

Some Country Districts Are Offering Freely, While Others Decide to Stay Out.

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS.

	Cars— Wheat.	Bar.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Mon.	91	4	18	11	26
Year ago	107	15	10	11	12
Season to date	7,956	1055	781	662	1086
Year ago	10,642	1030	1328	1249	1072
Tacoma, Sat.	26	3	....	1	5
Year ago	21	....	....	....	1
Season to date	4,753	269	....	217	1289
Year ago	6,323	296	....	313	1876
Seattle, Sat.	16	2	12	3	11
Year ago	21	1	19	....	9
Season to date	5,632	970	1184	591	2147
Year ago	5,133	642	1201	770	2528

The wheat market situation at world's centers is rather mixed in character. Locally the market is rather quiet. Some business continues at interior points but there is much less snap to the trade than last week's start.

In the latest issue of Broomhall's Corn Trade News of Liverpool the cargo situation is reviewed as follows:

"Pacific coast cargoes are dull at 63 shillings (including war risk) asked for steamers of half bluestem and white Walla Walla ready to load, 64s 6d (including war risk) for steamers half bluestem and white Walla Walla lately sailed and 56s 9d (excluding war risk) for a steamer loading November 23."

Country interests continue to offer their supplies fairly freely in some sections while in other districts they are tight holders for higher prices than now available, says Bradstreet's.

A report from Madrid says that the Spanish government has authorized the purchase of 7,500,000 bushels of wheat duty free. It is understood that American wheat is recommended.

George Broomhall cabled regarding the Liverpool market today:

"Steadier American cables and shipments from America to United Kingdom below expectations caused some support, although the market was dull. Spot steady, unchanged, winter and Plattes unchanged and Manitobas 4½d dearer with a fair demand. Receipts in Argentine and Australia overshadowing market notwithstanding the difficulty of obtaining freight. This will merely mean the deferment of shipments and meantime purchases elsewhere will continue on a moderate scale. Wheat on passage to United Kingdom decreased 1,068,000 bushels and to the continent increased 2,576,000 bushels."

FLOUR—Selling price: Patent, $5.00; Willamette valley, $5.00; local straight, $4.40@4.80; bakers' local, $4.60@5.00; Montana spring wheat, $5.70; exports, $4.30@4.40; whole wheat, $5.25; graham, $5; rye flour, $5.50 per barrel.

HAY—Buying price: Willamette valley timothy, fancy, $13@13.50; eastern Oregon-Idaho fancy timothy, $19; alfalfa, $13@13.50; vetch and oats, $11; clover, $8@9.

GRAIN SACKS—1915, nominal, No. 1 Calcutta, 8½c in car lots; less amounts higher.

MILLSTUFFS—Selling price: Bran, $24.50@25; shorts, $25.50@26.

ROLLED BARLEY—Selling price, $29.50@30.50.

With the exception of an advance of 1c a bushel in the futures of December clip, there were no changes in wheat quotations during the day's session of the Portland Merchants Exchange. No sales.

December oats and barley bids were likewise unchanged, with no sales during the session.

Merchants Exchange December prices:

WHEAT.	—Monday— Bid.	Ask.	—Saturday— Bid.	Ask.
Bluestem	96	98	96	98
Fortyfold	95	98	95	98
Club	92	95	91	94
Red Fife	90	94	90	92
Red Russian	90	94	90	92
OATS.				
Feed	2400	2450	2400	2450
BARLEY.				
Feed	2800	2900	2800	2800
Brewing	2800	3000	2800	2950
MILLSTUFFS.				
Bran	1900	2000	1900	2000
Shorts	2000	2350	2000	2300

Futures were quoted

WHEAT.	Bid.	Ask.
January bluestem	97	98
January fortyfold	95	96
January club	92	93
January Fife	90	95
January Russian	90	95
OATS.		
January	2425	2475
BARLEY.		
January feed	2800	2900
January brewing	2800	3000
MILLSTUFFS.		
January bran	1900	2050
January shorts	2000	2250

ADVERTISED APPLES BRING NET RETURNS OF $1.58 FOR BEST

Spitzenberg, Delicious and Winter Bananas Secure Extreme Prices to Producers; Some Had Expected a Much Higher Average.

Final returns for an advertised brand of apples, to which the growers of certain districts contributed 10c per box for advertising this season, have been made by a northwest fruit exchange. The returns show $1.58 net to growers for all sizes of selected extra fancy Spitzenbergs and similar prices for the same quality Delicious and Winter Bananas.

The returns have been received by the trade with both criticism and praise for the sellers. Many were led to believe that higher prices would be forthcoming, especially for such well selected quality.

According to information received early in the season, the entire holdings were sold to one firm in the east. The exact price that the sale was made at was not made public.

The sale of this fruit was made after the North Pacific Distributors gave the market its first bullish influence when it sold its "C2" grade stock at higher prices than the general trade had expected.

The Wenatchee correspondent of The Journal gives the following detailed report of the pools closing:

The pool of the Northwestern Fruit Exchange extra fancy advertised apples was closed today establishing a new record for early closing of pools by organizations of the Wenatchee district. Checks in final payment are being mailed out to the growers. The pool includes apples from all the locals of the exchange. It comprises practically all the extra fancies of the 10 leading commercial varieties.

The exchange announced the returns on the basis of varieties only, disregarding sizes. This conforms to a recommendation of the Growers' league made last fall, that all returns be made according to grades and varieties, and not segregated in addition as to sizes. By this method a fair basis of comparison of the returns of the shippers can be had.

The final returns, net to the grower, are:

Staymen Winesap	$1.03
Jonathans	1.06
Rome Beauty	1.27
Winesap	1.53
Delicious	1.58
Spitzenberg	1.58
Grimes Golden	1.06
Newtowns	1.25
Winter Bananas	1.58
White Winter Pearmain	1.23

The number of cars in the pool was not announced. The entire lot was sold early in the season to Stebbins & Kelley of New York. Officials of the exchange declare that the prices realized and the early closing can be attributed largely to the advertising of the Skookum pack during the last three years. An assessment of 10 cents the box is made to be used exclusively in advertising.

Sharp Advance Is Forced for Wheat; Chicago Is Higher

Chicago, Dec. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Wheat closed 1¼@2½c above Saturday. While there was nothing in the news of a particularly bullish nature, grains showed a certain firmness over their close on Saturday. Spain authorizes the purchase of 7,500,000 bushels of wheat, duty free, and it is understood American wheat will be recommended. Movement and demand for corn are generally light. Oats are believed on the upgrade.

December wheat opened at 113⅞, and fluctuated to 113. May opened at 115⅛, over a closing Saturday of 115. July opened at 108.

December corn was firm to an opening of 67⅛. May opened at 71c.

Oats were not very active at first, but May picked up and sold fairly well from an opening at 44¾. December opened at 41⅜.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT				
December	113⅝	114	112½	112¾
May	115¼	117⅝	114½	117⅛
July	107⅝	109¼	106⅝	109¼
CORN.				
December	67⅛	67⅛	67⅛	67⅜ B
May	71¼	71⅝	70⅝	71 B
OATS.				
December	41⅜	42⅛	41	41⅜
May	44⅞	45⅛	44¼	45
PORK.				
December	....	....	....	1625 A
January	1797	1817	1795	1815 A
May	1810	1825	1802	1817
LARD.				
December	....	....	....	940
January	990	992	951	957 A
May	990	990	987	987 A
RIBS.				
December	....	....	....	902
January	967	967	962	962 A
May	997	1000	990	995

Weakness in List Shown in Trading On N. Y. Market

New York, Dec. 13.—(I. N. S.)—The stock market here today could be summed up as follows:

On one side easy money, big gold imports, sound banking system, advanced railroad rates and record business. On the other, foreign complications, weakness of the Anglo-French loan, congestion of industrials and foreign selling. The latter factors seemed to bear the most weight at the opening.

Weakness was apparent throughout the list. Rails held up fairly well. Coppers were about steady, but the war issues were more irregular. The American note to Austria with its strict terms was the dominant factor in the lower opening. United States Steel had a tendency to strengthen its relative stocks. That issue was well traded around 85. General Motors showed a considerable advance from Saturday's loss, opening at 540, and going at once to 542. Studebaker continued to be a favorite, and was strong around 167½ to 168. Westinghouse was irregular around 67⅝. Baldwin Locomotive opened at 113⅝ and sold as low as 111⅝ during the first few minutes.

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

DESCRIPTION	Open	High	Low	Close
Alaska Gold	....	23½	22⅝	22½
Allis Chalmers, c.	31¼	31¼	31	31
Allis Chalmers, pfd.	82	82½	81⅝	82
American Beet Sugar	69	69½	69	69¼
American Can, c.	56⅞	59¼	56¼	59½
American Can, pfd.	112	112	111½	111½
American Car Fdy., c.	80	80	79¼	78½
American Cotton Oil, c.	....	....	....	59½
American Linseed, pfd.	39	39	39	39
American Loco., c.	69½	69½	68½	68¾
American Smelter, c.	97	97¼	96⅞	97
American Smelt. pfd.	....	....	....	111
American Sugar, c.	116	116	115¼	115¼
American Tel. & Tel.	128⅜	128⅜	128	128⅛
American Woolen, c.	....	....	....	47
Anaconda Mining Co.	85¼	85½	84⅝	84½
Atchison, c.	105⅞	106⅛	105⅝	105¾
Atchison, pfd.	....	....	....	101½
Baldwin Loco., c.	113¾	113¾	111¼	111½
Baldwin Loco., pfd.	108	108	108	108
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