SCARCITY OF POTATOES SENDING PRICES HIGHER IN CITY

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FRESH EGGS ARE SHOWING SCARCITY

Little Stock Is Being Offered and F. O. B. Prices Are Firmer—Hens Beginning to Lay Again.

Egg trade continues to gain in strength here and several buyers are today out with f. o. b. prices for current receipts at 60c a dozen, although others are not offering above 58c a dozen.

Receipts of fresh eggs continue to show a very small volume along the wholesale way and arrivals are quickly picked up. It appears that during the extreme cold weather the chickens practically stopped laying and are just now resuming. It will therefore take some days before the movement to market shows any material increase, or sufficient to adversely affect values.

Portland is the highest market of all Pacific Northwest centers with the exception perhaps of some of the intermountain districts. This means that with any material increase in offerings here, values must go below the quotation of other markets in order to find an outlet for any surplus that might be shown.

GOOD APPLES ARE VERY SCARCE

Really good quality apples are very scarce in the Portland trade at this time and demand is rather good. Most of the present offerings are of inferior quality but stocks of these are liberal.

CITRUS FRUIT MARKET CHANGES

Orange prices are generally advanced 25c a case in the Portland market, but a sharper rise is effective in the South.

ALL MEAT LINES ARE ACTIVE

All lines of country killed meats are showing an active tone for the day with prices well maintained. Hogs are holding well at 20c a pound for select quality that does not weigh above 150 pounds. Veals firm.

BUTTER SITUATION IS EASIER

Market for butter while active, is considered easy in spots and some are forecasting a further decline in prices for the immediate future. No change for the day. Dairy stock firm at former prices.

LOCAL CABBAGE IS NEGLECTED

Owing to the fact that a very large per cent of local cabbage offerings have a black streak inside, the trade is not inclined to handle it. Many complaints are coming from retailers because of spoiled stock.

BRIEF NOTES OF PRODUCE TRADE

Onion market firm at unchanged prices.

Mexican tomatoes here with sales at $4.50@$5.00 box.

Fly paper is up 50c a case.

Entire poultry trade active at former prices. Better demand shown for hides at unchanged values.

WEATHER NOTICE FOR SHIPPERS

Weather bureau advises:

Protect shipments during the next 36 hours against the following minimum temperatures: Going north, 32 degrees; northeast over S., P. & S. R. R., 16 degrees; east of Baker, 10 degrees, and south to Ashland, 20 degrees. Minimum temperature at Portland tomorrow about 32 degrees.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN PORTLAND

These are prices retailers pay wholesalers, except as otherwise noted:

Dairy Products

BUTTER—Selling price, box lots: Creamery prime, parchment wrapped, 67c per lb.; prime firsts, 65c lb.; firsts, 63c per lb.; smaller lots at an advance. Jobbing prices: Cubes, extra, 63; prime firsts, 62c lb.; cartons, 1c extra. No. 1 storage butter, 62c; off grade, 56@57c per lb.

BUTTERFAT—Portland delivery basis, 70@73c; country stations, 69@70c.

OLEOMARGARINE—Best brands, 40c; ordinary, 33⅓c; bakers, 33c; Nutmargarine, 1 lb. cartons, 32c per lb.

CHEESE—Selling price: Tillamook fresh Oregon, fancy cream triplets, 35@36c lb.; Young America, 30@37c. Price to jobbers f. o. b. Tillamook, triplets, 32c; Young Americas, 33c. Selling price: Cream brick, 40@42c; buying price of Coos and Curry triplets, 31c; Young America, 32½c lb. f. o. b. Myrtle Point selling price: Block Swiss, 48@49c; Limburger, 40@42c lb.

EGGS—Buying price: Current receipts, 58@60c; candled, selling price, 65c; select, 68c.

LIVE POULTRY—Heavy hens, 33c; light hens, 28c; spring light, 35c; heavy, 28c; old 18@20c; squabs, $3.00; dressed ducks, 48@50c lb.; pigeons, $1.50@2.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 35c lb.; dressed, 40@45c per lb.; dressed geese, 25@30c per lb.

Fresh Vegetables and Fruit

FRESH FRUIT—Oranges, $4.25@5.50 per box; bananas, 10@11c per lb.; lemons, $5.25@5.75 per crate; Florida grapefruit, $5.75@6.00; California grapefruit, (—) crate; pears, $2.25@3.50; grapes, Emperior, 12½@15c lb.

BERRIES—Cranberries, $4.75 per bushel box; eastern, $18.00@16.00.

APPLES—Various varieties, local, $1.25@3.50.

DRIED FRUIT—Dates, Dromedaries, $9.00; Fards, $8.75 per box; raisins, 3 crown, loose Muscatel, 16c per lb.; figs, $3.50@5.50 box.

ONIONS—Selling price to retailers, Oregon, $6.00@7.00 per cwt.; associated selling price, carload, $5.00 f. o. b. country; garlic, 25@50c per lb.; green onions, 40c per dozen bunches.

POTATOES—Selling price, $4.25@4.75 per cwt.; buying price for fancy large size, $3.75@4.00; ordinary, $3.50 per cental; sweets, 6@7c per lb.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $3.50 per sack; carrots, $2.25@2.50; beets, $3.50; cabbage, Oregon, 4@5c lb.; lettuce, $1.25 per dozen; cucumbers, California, 30c per dozen; tomatoes, $4.50@5.00 per lug; egg plant, 20c lb.; cauliflower, $2.00@2.25; bell peppers, 25c; sprouts, 17c per lb.; Hubbard squash, 5c lb.; parsnips, $3.00@3.50 sack; rutabagas, $3.50 cwt.

Meat and Provisions

COUNTRY MEATS—Seling price: Country hogs, 20c per lb. for top blockers; heavy hogs, 15@17c; best veal, 24@25c; heavy veal, 16@17c per lb.

SMOKED MEATS—Ham, 27@34c per lb.; breakfast bacon, 34@50c; picnics, 27c; cottage roll, 30c per lb.

LARD—Kettle rendered, 21½c lb.; standard, 30c; tierce basis, compound, 26½c.

Fish and Shellfish

FRESH FISH—Salmon, fall, 21c lb.; silverside, 19c lb.; halibut, fresh, 25c lb.; sturgeon, 20c lb.; black cod, 10@11c lb.; silver smelt, 10c lb.; salmon trout, 20@26c lb.; kippered salmon, $2.65 per 10-lb. basket; kippered cod, $2.35; Columbia smelt, 15c lb.

SHELLFISH—Crabs, $3.50 per dozen; shrimp meat, 55c per can; lobster, 30c lb.

Groceries

SUGAR—Cube, $10.31; powdered, $10.26; fruit and berry, $9.77; yellow, $9.06; granulated, $9.77; beet, $11.27; extra C, $9.26; golden C, $9.16.

HONEY—New, $7.50@8.00 per case.

RICE—Japan style, No. 1, 14c; New Orleans, head, 15c; Blue Rose, 15c per lb.

SALT—Coarse, half ground, 100s $17.00 per ton; 50s, $18.50; table dairy, 60s, $20.50; bales, $3.15@3.55; fancy table and dairy, $32.50; lump rock, $25.00 per ton.

BEANS—Oregon (sales by jobbers): Lady Washington, 7½@8c per lb.; pink, 8c; limas, 18c; bayou, 10½c; Oregon beans, buying price, nominal, 5½c per lb.

CANNED MILK—Carnation, $7.25; Borden, $7.40—Aster, $7.15; Eagle, $11.25; Libby, $7.15; Yeloban, $7.05; Mount Vernon, $7.15; Hazelwood, $7.15 per case.

COFFEE — Roasted—37@51c in sacks or drums.

SODA CRACKERS—In bulk, 17½c per lb.

NUTS—Walnuts, 35@40c per lb.; almonds, 38c; filberts, 33c in sack lots; peanuts, 15@16c; pecans, 25c; Brazil, 30c.

Ropes, Paints, Oils

ROPE—Sisal, dark, 18½c; white, 20c lb.; standard manila, 23½c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls., $2.06 gal.; kettle boiled, bbls., $2.08; raw, cases, $2.16; boiled, cases, $2.18 per gallon.

COAL OIL—Water white, in drums or iron, bbls., 13½c gal.; cases, 24c gal.

GASOLINE—Iron bbls., 23½@25c; cases, 35½c; engine distillate, iron bbls., 16c; cases, 26½c.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 14c; 500 lbs., 14½c per lb.

TURPENTINE—Tanks, $1.91; cases, $2.01; 10 case lots, 1c less.

WIRE NAILS—Basic price, $5.16.

Hops, Wool and Hides

HOPS—Nominal, 1919 crop, 80c per lb.

HIDES—Green, 17@18c; salted, 18@20c; kips, 35c; calfskins, 35@60c; bull, 14@15c lb.

PELTS—Dry long wool pelts, per lb., 30@32c; dry medium wool pelts, per lb., 25@28c; dry shearing pelts, $2.00@2.50 each; salt long wool pelts, $1.50@2.00 each; salt shearing pelts, 50c@$1.00 each.

MOHAIR—Long staple, 40c per lb.; short staple, 25@30c lb.

TALLOW AND GREASE—No. 1 tallow, 12c; No. 2, 10c; No. 1 grease, 9c; No. 2 grease, 7c per lb.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK—New peel, 11c per lb.

WOOL—Valley half blood Merino and Shropshire, 50c; Cotswold and Lincoln, 40@45c; matted Cotswold, 30@35c; timber stained, 5c per lb. less; lambs' wool, 4c per lb. less.

Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and California Wool—Merino and Shropshire, 35@40c; half blood Merino and Cotswold, 37@42c; Shropshire, 37@45c; Cotswold and Lincoln, straight and mixed, 32@35c; burry, 5c per lb. less; lambs, 4c per lb. less.

Fine Wools—Merino combing and carding grades, 30@35c.

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LIMITED STOCK OF HOGS RISE

Sales Made Up to $15.50 at North Portland—Light Valley Lambs Moved Up to $13.50 in Alleys.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Wednesday	44	18	1	38
Week ago	245	28	5	52
Two weeks ago	823	1	..	33
Four weeks ago	383	..	..	476
Year ago	322	89	6	..
Two years ago	333	151	..	917
Three years ago	163	31	..	5
Four years ago	1014	55	8	119

HOW HOGS RULED

Town and Condition—	Top.
Chicago, 20@25c lower	$14.60
Omaha, steady to 10c higher	14.50
Denver, steady to 10c lower	14.40
Kansas City, steady	14.50
Portland, steady	15.50

There were only two loads of livestock all told reported in the North Portland yards for the Wednesday trade and these were scattered in various departments. Hogs ruled firmer, cattle mixed and sheep holding.

There was less than a half car of swine available for the Wednesday morning trade at North Portland. Killers showed an inclination to bid up for such offerings and sales were again made with a top of $15.50. While it might be possible to obtain this price for greater supplies, it has been the custom here not to advance the price unless a sale of a carload was made.

General hog range:

Prime mixed	$ 15.25
Medium mixed	14.75@15.25
Rough heavies	14.25@14.75
Pigs	12.25@13.25
Bulk	11.75@13.75

Steer Situation Slow

Slow tone is showing in the market for steers here. Neglect of stock was such that there is quite a fair supply of stale offerings in the alleys. Cows, bulls and other divisions of the cattle market show a steady tone at former prices.

General cattle market range:

Best steers	$11.00@11.75
Good to choice cows and heifers	7.75@9.00
Medium to good steers	9.00@9.75
Fair to good steers	8.00@9.00
Common to fair steers	7.00@8.00
Choice cows and heifers	9.00@10.00
Good to choice cows and heifers	7.75@10.00
Medium to good cows and heifers	5.75@7.75
Fair to medium cows and heifers	4.75@5.75
Canners	3.50@5.50
Bulls	6.00@8.25
Best light calves	12.50@15.00
Heavy calves	7.00@12.50
Stockers and feeders	8.00@9.50

Valley Lambs Higher

While only a nominal supply was available and the market not given a thorough test, light weight Willamette valley lambs of quality sold up to $13.50 during the day. General sheep and lamb trade is considered steady to strong.

General sheep and lamb range:

Best east of mountain lambs	$13.00@14.00
Light valley lambs	12.00@13.50
Heavy valley lambs	10.50@11.50
Feeder lambs	10.00@12.00
Yearlings	9.50@11.00
Wethers	9.50@10.00
Ewes	6.00@7.00

Tuesday Afternoon Sales

STEERS

No.	Av. lbs.	Price	No.	Av. lbs.	Price
1....	730	$ 8.50	3....	930	$ 9.00
2....	995	11.00	1....	820	7.00
28....	1042	11.85	8....	871	8.50

COWS

2....	900	$ 6.85	3....	953	$ 5.00
4....	1095	7.00	19....	985	9.25
2....	955	6.00	6....	740	8.25
3....	890	8.50	4....	625	4.00
6....	1020	6.75	1....	820	5.50
1....	510	8.00	1....	950	7.00
1....	870	5.25	23....	932	9.50
2....	975	7.00	26....	841	8.50
2....	495	6.50	1....	820	7.75
1....	1070	7.50	23....	943	9.50
9....	894	8.50	3....	1013	8.00
1....	1020	6.00	19....	638	5.50

CALVES

3....	213	$14.00	1....	360	$ 9.00
3....	273	11.00	1....	280	7.00
2....	140	10.00	1....	290	8.00
3....	93	13.00			

BULLS

1....	1020	$ 7.00	1....	1150	$ 7.00

MIXED

10....	638	$ 5.50

HOGS

6....	205	$15.25	5....	134	$13.75
86....	203	15.25	1....	280	13.25
8....	236	15.25	12....	282	12.50
1....	281	12.75	1....	310	14.25
15....	130	15.25	1....	400	12.50
1....	208	15.25	2....	480	12.00
2....	350	12.00	19....	227	15.00
5....	242	15.25	1....	500	11.00
10....	258	12.75	5....	186	15.25
7....	225	15.25	1....	220	15.25
1....	310	14.25	2....	210	15.25
4....	350	13.75	6....	233	15.25
1....	450	12.00	2....	260	15.00
1....	440	11.00	15....	268	12.75
1....	430	6.00	2....	108	13.25
23....	108	12.75	2....	275	14.25
5....	195	15.25	1....	350	13.25
23....	195	15.25	23....	128	13.50

LAMBS

6....	93	$12.50	25....	74	$13.50
9....	92	13.25	1....	80	10.00
2....	110	7.50			

BUCKS

1....	220	$ 4.00

Wednesday Morning Sales

COWS

No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
1....	1010	$ 7.50	5....	898	$ 6.50
6....	526	8.50			

STEERS

2....	560	$ 7.00

HOGS

1....	310	$14.75	8....	210	$15.50
11....	207	15.00			

DAIRY PRODUCE OF THE COAST

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—(U. P.)—Butter—Extras, 68c; prime firsts, 65½c.

Eggs—Extras, 70c; extra pullets, 65½c; undersized pullets, 63c.

Cheese—California flats, fancy, 29c.

Seattle Market

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 7.—(U. P.)—Butter—Fresh bricks, 67c; cubes, 68c.

Eggs—Fresh, 60c; pullets, 53@55c; storage, 55c.

Cheese—Oregon and Washington triplets 32@34c.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, Jan. 7.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—California creamery extras 65c.

Eggs—Fresh extras 58c, case counts 53c, pullets 50c.

Live poultry—Hens 31@34c, broilers 32@37c, fryers 35c.

POTATOES ALONG THE COAST

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—(U. P.)—River White, $4.75@5.00; Salinas, $5.00@5.25; sweets, 4½@5c.

Onions—Yellow and white, $4.25@4.50; Australian brown, $4.75@5.25.

Seattle, Jan. 7.—(I. N. S.)—Onions—Oregon, 6½@7c lb.

Potatoes—Yakima Gems, $100; local, $85@90; sweets, 6½c lb.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, Jan. 7.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes, new stock Stockton Burbanks fancy $5.15@5.50, russets $4.85@5.25, bakers $5.50@6.00, Salinas $5.50, local lug boxes $1.65@1.75, local White Rose $4.50@5.00.

San Francisco Poultry Market

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—(U. P.)—Broilers, 38c; large hens, 35@37c; best ducks, 28@30c.

ERRATIC TONE IN STOCK LIST

New York Wednesday Market Changes Quickly From Weakness to Strength and Then Switches Back Again.

New York, Jan. 7.—(I. N. S.)—The stock market closed steady today. After sharp advances of the afternoon, the market weakened in the final few minutes on heavy selling. The undertone, however, was steady. Steel common broke at the close to 106. Republic Steel dropped 1 point to 119 and Baldwin Locomotive to 116⅞. Mexican Petroleum was in demand, advancing 6½ from the low to 211½. Royal Dutch recovered 2 points to 105. The sugar stocks lost most of their early gains, American Sugar reacting to 138¼. General Motors was finally 336½; Studebaker, 111⅞; Southern Pacific, 103; U. S. Rubber, 137⅞, and International Paper, 55⅝.

Sales, 804,500 shares; bonds, $17,847,000.

New York, Jan. 7.—(I. N. S.)—The stock market was nervous and erratic at the opening today. Steel common after selling up to 106¼, dropped to 105⅞ and then recovered its loss. Baldwin Locomotive rose ¾ at the start to 116½, dropped 1 point and then rose to 116¾. Crucible and Republic Steel moved in the same manner.

Mexican Petroleum moved over a wide range, dropping 4½ to 205 and then rallied to above 207. Pan-American Petroleum lost 2 points to 100⅞.

American Woolen after selling up to 161⅛ dropped 2¼, but quickly recovered its loss. U. S. Rubber rose 1¼ from the low to 139½.

Studebaker lost 1 point to 110¼.

The copper and rail stocks were quiet and fractionally lower.

The market was irregular in the late forenoon, some stocks developing strength while others were heavy.

The sugar group was active and strong, American Sugar advancing 2 points to 141¾, Cuba Cane Sugar 1 point to 14⅛ and Punta Alegra 2⅝ points to 96.

The steel shares were irregular, Republic Steel advancing 1½ from the low to 117½, while Steel common held around 106. Mexican Petroleum rose to 208½, with a reaction to 206. Sinclair rose 1 point to 47¼. Dealings in the copper and rails were at a standstill.

The market showed a strong tone during the afternoon with most of the stocks advancing from 1 to 5 points from the early low levels.

The market showed strength during the afternoon. Trading was very quiet.

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DESCRIPTION:	Open	High	Low	Close
Ajax Rubber	....	....	....	8⅛
Alaska Gold	....	....	....	1⅞
Allis Chalmers	52½	53½	52¼	52½
Alloy Steel	51½	52½	51½	52
Amer. Agr. Chem.	92¼	92½	92	91½
Amer. Beet Sugar	95¼	95¼	95	95
Amer. Can, c	57½	58½	57½	58
Amer. Car Fdy	139	140⅞	139	139½
Amer. Cotton Oil	51½	52	51½	51½
Amer. Hide&L., c	28	28⅝	27⅞	28¼
Amer. Linseed	74⅝	75	74⅝	74⅝
Amer. Loco., c	101	102⅛	100⅞	102
Amer. Smelter, c	70¼	70⅝	69½	69⅝
Amer. Steel Fdy	45⅞	46¼	45⅞	45½
Amer. Sugar, c	140	141½	138¼	138
Amer. Sum. Tob	97⅝	99	97	98¼
Amer. Tel. & Tel	97¼	97½	97	97⅛
Amer. Tobacco	....	....	....	270
Amer. Woolen, c	161½	163¼	158	160¼
Amer. Zinc	17⅛	18	17⅛	17⅛
Anaconda Min. Co.	63⅝	63⅝	62⅞	63⅝
Atchison, c	84⅝	84⅝	84½	84½
Atlantic, Gulf&W.I.	171	172	170	170
Baldwin Loco., c	116½	117⅞	113	116⅝
Balt. & Ohio, c	33⅝	33⅝	32½	32½
Beth. Steel, B	98¼	99⅞	97⅞	98¼
Brook. Rapid Tran.	12½	14⅝	12½	14
Butte & Superior	26¼	26⅝	26¼	26¼
Canadian Pacific	133¼	133¼	132½	132½
Central Leather, c	102	103⅝	101⅝	102⅝
Ches. & Ohio	56	56	55½	55⅝
Chi. Gt. Western	....	....	....	8½
C., M. & St. P.	37¼	37⅝	37⅛	37⅛
C. & N. W.	86⅝	86⅝	86⅝	86⅝
Chile Copper	19⅞	19⅞	19⅞	19⅞
Chino Copper	39⅝	40¼	39⅝	40
Col., Fuel & Iron	43½	43½	42¼	42½
Con. Gas	83½	83½	83½	83½
Corn Products, c	87	87¼	86¼	87
Crucible Steel, c	214	217⅞	212½	216
D. & R. G., c	....	....	....	7
Erie, c	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	13½
General Cigars	73⅛	73½	73	73½
General Electric	169	170¼	169	168½
General Motors	334	338	333	336
Granby Cons.	....	....	....	53⅛
Gt. Nor. Ore	40⅝	40⅝	40¼	40¼
Gt. Northern Ry.	79¼	79¼	78⅝	78⅝
Greene Cananea	....	....	....	37⅛
Gulf States Steel	82¼	82⅝	80	81½
Ice Securities	....	....	....	46
Illinois Central	....	....	....	89
Indus. Alcohol	111⅞	114½	110⅞	113
Insp. Copper	60¼	60⅝	60¼	60½
Int. Harvester	131⅞	132½	131½	130
Int. Mer. Marine, c	48	49¼	48	48¼
Int. Nickel	24¼	26⅝	25¼	26⅝
Kas. City Sou., c	....	....	....	15½
Kelly Springfield	150	150	149½	148½
Kennecott Copper	32	32¼	31⅞	32⅛
Lackawanna Steel	88	89⅞	87⅞	88⅞
Lehigh Valley	43½	43½	43½	43⅝
Maxwell Motors, c	33⅝	33½	33⅝	33½
Mexican Petroleum	208⅞	213⅞	205	211½
Montana Power	69	69½	69	69⅛
Miami Copper	25⅛	25⅛	25⅛	25⅛
Midvale Steel	50⅝	51⅝	50¼	50¼
Missouri Pacific, c	25⅝	25⅝	25½	25½
National Enamel	84½	85	84½	84⅝
National Lead	82½	82½	82	82
Nevada Cons.	17	17	17	16⅝
New Haven	27⅛	27⅛	26⅞	27
N. Y. Air Brake	113	113	113	113
N. Y. Central	69⅝	69⅞	69½	69⅝
Norfolk & W.	98⅛	98⅛	98⅛	98
Northern Pacific	80¼	80½	80⅛	80
Pacific Mail	....	....	....	37⅛
Penn. Ry.	41⅞	42¼	41⅞	42
People's Gas	39⅝	39⅝	38½	38⅝
Pittsburg Coal, c	62⅝	63	62⅝	63
Pressed S. Car, c	100½	100½	100	100⅛
Pullman	115½	115⅝	115⅛	115
Ray Cons. Copper	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛
Ry Steel Springs	99½	99½	98½	99⅝
Reading, c	76	76½	74⅝	76⅝
Rock Island	....	....	....	27¼
Shattuck Copper	....	....	....	12½
Sloss Sheffield	77⅝	79½	77½	79
Southern Pacific	102⅛	103	102⅛	102⅝
Southern Ry., c	22⅛	22⅝	22⅛	22¼
Studebaker, c	111¼	112⅝	110¼	111⅛
Swift & Co.	129½	131	129½	131
Tenn. Copper	11⅝	11⅝	11½	11⅝
Texas Pacific	41	41¼	41	41
Union Pacific, c	123	123	122½	122⅛
U. S. Rubber, c	138⅞	140⅝	137½	137½
U. S. Smelt. & Ref.	73	74	73	73½
U. S. Steel, c	106¼	107¼	105⅞	105½
do. pfd.	114½	115	114⅝	114⅞
Utah Copper	78⅞	78⅞	77¼	77½
Virginia Chem., c	70	70	69⅝	69⅝
Wabash	....	....	....	8
Western Union	....	....	....	87
Westinghouse Elec.	42⅝	54¼	52⅝	58⅝
Willys Overland	30½	30½	30¼	30½

Total sales stocks, 804,500 shares; total sales bonds, $17,847,000.

New York Bond Market

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	Bid.	Ask.
Atchison Gnl. 4s	80	81½
Bal. & Ohio Gold 4s	66	69¼
Beth. Steel Ref. 5s	86	88
Cent. Pacific 1st 4s	77	79
C., B. & Q. Col. 4s	95¼	95⅝
St. Paul Genl. 4½s	76	77½
Chicago N. W. Genl. 4s	77	79⅝
L. & N. Uni. 4s	82¼	85
New York Ry. 5s	6	7½
Northern Pac. P. L. 4s	79	80
Reading Genl. 4s	80	81
Union Pac. 1st 4s	84	84½
U. S. Steel 5s	98	99
Union Pac. 1st Ref. 5s	80	81
Southern Pac. Conv. 5s	105	106
Southern Pac. Conv. 4s	80½	82
Penna. Conv. 4½s	91	92½
Penna. 1st 4½s	83½	84½
Ches. & Ohio Conv. 5s	80	81
Ore. Short Line 4s	84½	86

Feeding Conditions Good

Pendleton, Jan. 7.—Feeding conditions in the county are satisfactory at present, sheep and cattle men report. There is no shortage of hay and, if pasture is available by March, as usual, flocks and herds will come through in good shape. With snow again on the ground, stock is again on feed entirely. Losses of cattle and sheep from cold have been very light so far despite spells of intense cold.

New York Butter and Eggs

New York, Jan. 7.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Easy; creamery extras, 68½@71½c; firsts, 64@66c; higher scoring, 69½@73c; state dairy tubs, 52@68c; renovated extras, 57½@58c; imitation creamery, 51@52c.

Eggs—Firmer; nearby white fancy, 88@89c; brown fancy, 85@86c; extra offered, 83c; firsts, 78@80c.

Naval Stores Market

New York, Jan. 7.—(I. N. S.)—Turpentine—Savannah, $1.66½; New York, $1.74. Rosin—Savannah, $10.50; New York, $17.50.

The MARKET BASKET

By Hyman H. Cohen

The smelt run is off again. It disappeared just as quickly as it appeared, leaving the trade rather bewildered as to the outcome. Some express the opinion that the said run was a pure bluff but others believe that it was a school of fish that had been in the Columbia for some time and had not been caught because of the ice.

In any event the public's appetite for Columbia river smelt had been whetted and now there are no smelt available to fill the demand.

There is no stock of fresh salmon available in the Portland market at this time. There is plenty of frozen stock of superior quality, which is selling at prices within the reach of the general public.

Little fresh halibut is available but the frozen stock is so good that it is easily taking place of the fresh.

The following prices are average ones that consumers are expected to buy at retail shops. Quality quoted is the average, fancy stuff being slightly higher and inferior stuff fractionally lower:

Butter, best creamery, parchment wrapped, 73@74c lb.; cartons, 74@75c; best storage, parchment wrapped, 67c.

Eggs, freshly laid, 90c dozen; fancy, fresh, 75c dozen.

Cheese, fancy, 40c lb.

Chickens, dressed, 45c lb.; geese, dressed, 40c lb.; turkeys, 50@60c lb.; ducks, 60c lb.

Salmon, 25@50c lb.

Flour, best local patent, $3.25 sack, 49 lbs.

Potatoes, Burbanks, fancy, 5½@6c lb.; sweets, 2 lbs. 25c.

Onions, dried, 7@8c lb.

Millers Scrambling For Wheat Stocks

Somewhat More Liberal Movement of Soft Grade Reported—Premiums Hold Stiff.

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Wed.	16	1	17	5	27
Season to date	5199	138	2394	365	1012
Tacoma, Tues.	50	1	....	....	11
Season to date	3951	63	....	128	508
Seattle, Tues.	49	1	....	6	4
Season to date	3704	179	432	449	813

Millers continue to scramble for wheat stocks at interior Pacific Northwest points. There has been a decided increase in the buying of soft wheats during the last few days, owing to the general scarcity of hard varieties. Premiums for soft wheat are firmer at 20c a bushel above the government basis.

Coarse grains are generally steady to firm at country points with some increase of activity in the tidewater terminals of the Pacific Northwest.

Millstuffs remain active, with one milling company said to be securing big profits at $47.50 a ton, while others are not asking above $46 a ton.

FLOUR—Selling prices, new crop: Patent, $12.35; whole wheat flour, $10.45; Willamette valley, $10.35; local straight, $10.20; bakers' local, $11.50@11.75; Montana spring wheat, patent, $12.85; rye flour, $10.10; oatmeal, $13.00; graham, $11.00. Prices for city deliveries in five barrel lots.

HAY—Buying price, new crop: Willamette timothy, fancy, $27.00; Eastern Oregon-Washington fancy timothy, (—); alfalfa, $32.00; valley vetch, $25.00; cheat, $19.00@20.00; straw, $10.00; clover, $24.00; grain, $24.00.

GRAIN SACKS—Nominal: New crop delivery, No. 1 Calcutta, 18c in car lots; less amounts higher.

MILLSTUFFS—Mixed run at mills, sacked, $46.00@47.50.

ROLLED OATS—Per ton, $60.00@61.00.

ROLLED BARLEY—Per ton, $67.00@$68.00.

Merchants Exchange bids:

FEED OATS

	Jan.	Feb.
No. 3 white	$65.00	$65.50

BARLEY

Standard feed	$71.50	$72.00
No. 3 blue	....	73.00

Eastern oats and corn, in bulk:

OATS

36 lb. clipped	$61.50
38 lb. clipped	62.50

CORN

No. 3 yellow	$58.75

Sales: 100 tons No. 3 white feed oats, February delivery, $66.00; 200 tons No. 3 Eastern yellow corn, January delivery, $59.00.

Chicago Dairy Produce

Chicago, Jan. 7.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Receipts, 3729 tubs; creamery, extra, 63½c; firsts, 56@62c; packing stock, 40@46c.

Eggs—Receipts, 1408 cases; current receipts, 64@70c; ordinary firsts, 55@68c; firsts, 71c; checks, 38@40c; dirties, 43@45c.

Cheese—Twins, new, 31c; daisies, 32@32½c; Young Americas, 32½c; Longhorns, 32½c; brick, 30c.

Live poultry—Turkeys, 40c; chickens, 25c; springs, 27c; roosters, 20c; geese, 26c; ducks, 30c.

A Sound Principle

for people of moderate means who are anxious to make their money earn them more money, is to diversify their investments as far as possible. In the homely, old-fashioned phrase, "don't put all your eggs into one basket."

But the average individual does not know how many bonds of a given type would be best for him to purchase, or how to balance his investments so that they will bring him the best returns.

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