ABSENCE OF SHIPPING BUSINESS IN POTATOES

DEMORALIZED TONE IN EGG MARKETS

Egg market continues in a demoralized state. It is impossible for the Front street commission firms to clean up without forcing additionally lower prices and the movement is therefore restricted.

Practically none of the f. o. b. houses were out with any bid for the Friday trade despite the fact that most of them thought they were going to name the price at 55c for current receipts.

The sharp drop in California prices Thursday, a decline influenced by the enormous supplies sent in that direction by Puget Sound, has taken the spirit out of the buying trade here. Most of the f. o. b. buyers were accepting eggs only on consignment during the morning.

The trade is somewhat divided in its opinions regarding the immediate future of values. The smallness of storage stocks would indicate that the declining period was about to subside but the liberal increase in offerings of "pullets" recently, has given the market a surplus.

One of the growers' organizations shipped a carload to New York a couple of days ago and the trade is anxious to see how this shipment will be received.

Those desiring special information regarding any market should write the Market Editor Oregon Journal, enclosing stamp for reply.

BUTTER MARKET HOLDS STEADY

Market for butter is holding steady here and elsewhere throughout the Pacific Northwest. Prices were unchanged for the day. The demand was about equal to offerings of good quality.

LIGHT HEN PRICES ARE LOWER

Further loss of 1c a pound is shown in some of the sales of light weight hens along the street at 17c a pound although as high as 18c is still reported. No change for other fowls.

RED APPLES ARE MOVING OUT

According to John Sheridan of the Sheridan-Beckley company, who has just returned from Columbia river sections, red apples are moving out on fresh orders that little remains of those points. Good Spitzenbergs are especially scarce although the entire apple trade price is low.

WIDE RANGE FOR CRANBERRIES

Very wide range both in quality and price is shown for local cranberries. Sales are shown along the street at $3.50 to $5.50 generally although some are asking $6.00. Eastern stock is moving well at $18.50 per barrel.

MEAT MARKETS SHOW WEAKNESS

With liberally increased offerings, the market for country killed meats was inclined to sag somewhat Friday. Hog arrivals were especially liberal and retailers were inclined to take full advantage of that fact. In fact Front street has for some time been getting more for hogs than the local packers quoted.

BRIEF NOTES OF PRODUCE TRADE

Local yellow soaps are $1.50 per hundred cakes lower.

Jap oranges selling slowly at $3.00 per bundle.

Onion market dragging at $1.00 for best in country.

Reduction in local coffee prices expected within day or so.

Fresh salmon is scarce and frozen stock taking its place.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN PORTLAND

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

Dairy Products

BUTTER—Selling price, box lots: Creamery, extras, parchment wrapped, 55c per lb. Jobbing prices: Cubes, extras, 50@51c lb.; dairy, buying price, 35c per lb.

BUTTERFAT—Portland delivery basis, 53c, @54c, best grade; country station, 47@50c.

CHEESE — Selling price: Tillamook, fresh Oregon fancy triplets, 33c per lb.; Young Americas, 34c lb. Prices to jobbers, f. o. b. Tillamook: Triplets, 30c; Young Americas, 31c. Selling price: Block Swiss, 48@49c; limburger, 40@42c per lb.

EGGS—Buying prices: Current receipts, 55 @57c doz.; candled, selling price, 63@64c doz.; select, 64@65c per dozen.

LIVE POULTRY—Selling price: Heavy hens, 26c per pound; light hens, 17@18c per pound; spring light, 28@30c; heavy, 20@21c; old roosters, 12@14c per lb.; turkeys, live, 35c; dressed, 40c; ducks, 28@30c; geese, 22@25c.

Fresh Vegetables and Fruit

FRESH FRUIT — Oranges, $6.50@7.50 box; bananas, 12½@13¼c lb.; lemons, $4.75 @5.00, crate; grapefruit, Florida, $8.00@ 9.00; California, $3.00; pears, $2.50@2.75; Tokay grapes, 15c per lb.; Jap oranges, $3.00 bundle.

APPLES—New, $1.00@3.50.

DRIED FRUITS—Dates, Dromedaries, $6.85; Fards, $3.60 per box; figs, $2.00@4.00.

ONIONS — Selling price to retailers: Local, $1.50@1.75; association selling price, per cental, $1.00; garlic, 12@18c; green onions, 40c dozen bunches.

POTATOES—Selling price: Oregon fancy, $1.75; sweets, 4@4½c per lb.

BERRIES — Huckleberries, 18c lb.; cranberries, local, $3.50@6.00 per box; eastern, $18.50 bbl.

VEGETABLES — Turnips, $2.00 per sack; carrots, $1.50; beets, $1.75; lettuce, $3.25@ 3.50 per crate; cucumbers, (—); tomatoes, California, $3.00@3.50 per lug; egg plant, 15 @20c; broccoli, $1.75@2.00; bell peppers, 15 @17½c lb.; celery, 85c@$1.00 doz.; Hubbard squash, 2@2½c per lb.

Meats and Provisions

COUNTRY MEATS—Selling price: Country hogs, 18c per lb. for top blockers; heavy, 13@ 15c; veal, 18c per lb.; heavy veal, 12@13c per lb.

SMOKED MEATS—Ham, 42@46c per lb.; breakfast bacon, 33@56c; picnics, 27c per lb.; cottage roll, 35c per lb.

LARD—Kettle rendered, 29½c lb.; tierce basis, compound, 20½c.

Fish and Shellfish

FRESH FISH — Salmon, steelhead, (—) per lb.; frozen Chinook, 20c; halibut, fresh, 22c; smoked, (—); black cod, 11@12c; kippered salmon, $2.50 per 10-lb. basket; kippered cod, $2.85; razor clams, (—); crabs, $2.75@3.75 per dozen; ling cod, 6@8c per lb.

OYSTERS — Eastern, per gallon, $5.0C; Olympia, $5.50.

Groceries

SUGAR — Refinery basis: Cubs, $11.75; fruit and berry, $10.00; D yellow, $9.40; granulated, $10.00; extra C, $8.80; golden C, $9.50.

HONEY—New, $7.00@7.50 case; bulk, 18c per lb.

RICE—Japan style, No. 1, 7¼c; Blue Rose, 10c per lb.

SALT—Coarse, half ground, 100s, $17.25 per ton; 50s, $18.75; table dairy, 50s, $27.25; 25s, $35.50@4.00; fancy table and dairy, $34.50; lump rock, $26.50 per ton.

BEANS — Sales by jobbers: Small white, 6c lb.; large white, 6c; pink, 7c per lb.; limas, 10c; bayou, 9¾c; reds, 7¼c; Oregon beans, buying prices, nominal.

CANNED MILK—Carnation, $6.00; Borden, $6.00; Astor, $5.90; Eagle, $12.50; Libby, $5.90; Mount Vernon, $5.90 per case.

COFFEE — Roasted, 19@42c in sacks or drums.

SODA CRACKERS—In bulk, 18c per lb.

NUTS—Walnuts, 25@26c per lb.; almonds, 27½@28c; filberts, 32c in sack lots; peanuts, 14½@15c; pecans, 25c; Brazils, 35c.

Rope, Paint, Oils

ROPE — Sisal, dark, 16c; white, 18c lb.; standard manila, 26½c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls., 96c gal.; kettle boiled, bbls., 98c; raw, cases, $1.11; boiled, cases, $1.13 per gallon.

COAL OIL—Pearl or water white, in drums or iron barrels, 17½c gallon; cases, 30c per gallon.

GASOLINE — Iron barrels, 29c; cases, 41½c.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 13¾c; 500 lbs., 14c per lb.

TURPENTINE—Tanks, $1.41; cases, $1.56; 10 case lots, 1c less.

Hops, Wool and Hides

HOPS—Nominal 1920 crop, 30@32c lb.

HIDES—Calfskin, 8@10c; kips, 7@8c; green hides, 5@6c per lb.

MOHAIR—Long, 25c; short, 15c.

TALLOW AND GREASE—No. 1 tallow, 5c; No. 2, 4c.

CASCARA BARK—New, 8c lb.

WOOL—Coarse, 10c; medium, 20c; fine, 25c per lb.

New York Butter and Eggs

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Market steady. Creamery extras, 57@59c; do, firsts, 43@57c; higher scoring, 57½c; state dairy tubs, 33@54c; renovated extras, 44@45c.

Cheese—Market easy, 25@28½c. State, whole milk specials, 23½@26½c. Wisconsin, whole milk, fancy Young Americas, 29@30c. State, skims, specials, 18@20c; do choice, 15@ 17½c; medium to good, 12@14½c.

Eggs—Market steady. Nearby white, fancy, $1.08; do brown, fancy, 90@93c; extra, 86@ 88c; firsts, 76@81c.

New York Metal Market

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Copper—Dull; spot December-January offered 13¾; February and March offered 14½.

Lead—Dull; spot December and January, 4¾@5.

Spelter—Dull; spot December, January, February and March offered 5¾.

Chicago Potato Market

Chicago, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes—Receipts, 47 cars. Idaho russets, $2.00@2.10.

ONLY HOGS ARRIVE AND MARKET HOLDS

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Cars.
Friday	155	...	...	...	2
Week ago	236	...	...	...	9
2 weeks ago	653	179	20	474	15
4 weeks ago	335	35	2	162	5
Year ago	658	32	144	117	13
2 years ago	58	411	...	...	17
3 years ago	757	100	4	20	11
4 years ago	1770	189	20	72	26

Only hogs came forward to North Portland for the Friday trade and prices were unchanged in all lines.

In the hog alleys the fresh arrivals for Friday consisted of but two cars. These were sold with the former top at $12.25 continued. The market was somewhat steadier at the price.

General hog market range:

Prime mixed	$12.00@12.25
Smooth heavy	11.25@11.75
Rough heavy	9.00@10.25
Fat pigs	10.25@11.25
Feeder pigs	9.00@9.50

Cattle Nominally Steady

No fresh arrivals were shown in the cattle alleys at North Portland Friday, but some holdover stuff was sold. Even the state arrivals were quoted steady and prices reflected no change.

General cattle market range.

Choice steers	$ 8.75@ 9.25
Good to choice steers	8.25@ 8.75
Medium to good steers	7.75@ 8.25
Fair to good steers	7.00@ 7.75
Common to fair steers	5.50@ 7.00
Choice cows and heifers	6.75@ 7.25
Good to choice cows-heifers	6.25@ 6.75
Medium to good cows-heifers	5.50@ 6.25
Fair to medium cows-heifers	4.75@ 5.50
Common cows and heifers	4.00@ 4.75
Canners	2.50@ 4.00
Bulls	5.00@ 6.00
Choice dairy calves	13.00@14.00
Heavy calves	7.00@ 9.00
Best light calves	11.00@13.00
Medium light calves	9.00@11.00
Choice feeders	6.50@ 7.25
Fair to good feeders	5.75@ 6.75

Sheep Are Absent

No business at all passed in the mutton and lamb alleys at North Portland Friday morning. No arrivals were shown. Generally speaking the market was considered steady.

General sheep market range.

East of mountain lambs	$ 8.00@ 8.75
Willamette valley lambs	7.50@ 8.00
Feeder lambs	6.50@ 7.50
Heavy lambs	6.00@ 7.50
Cull lambs	5.00@ 6.00
Yearlings	6.00@ 7.50
Wethers	5.00@ 6.00
Ewes	1.00@ 4.50

Thursday Afternoon Sales

No.	Ave. lbs.	Price	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price
		STEERS			
6	881	$ 7.00	2	1025	$ 6.00
2	1270	8.60	16	1081	8.00
25	950	8.25	2	920	6.50
23	1241	8.25	1	1000	6.75
13	941	7.50	24	1145	8.75
28	987	8.85	29	980	8.85
		COWS			
3	686	$ 4.70	1	820	$ 4.75
1	1010	4.50	20	1058	5.00
2	940	6.25	3	1123	5.00
1	900	5.50	2	850	4.00
1	940	5.00	1	1210	5.00
2	760	3.00	20	1071	6.35
28	1000	6.75	1	970	4.25
1	920	2.50	1	839	3.00
3	1213	6.00			
		CALVES			
1	90	$10.00	2	140	$12.50
1	120	11.00			
1	250	8.00			
		BULLS			
1	1780	$7.00			
		STAGS			
1	1230	$ 6.50			
		BULLS			
1	1530	$ 5.75	1	1170	$ 5.25
1	1120	5.00	6	1406	5.75
		MIXED			
6	1028	$ 6.00			
		HOGS			
3	310	$11.00	1	360	$ 9.50
5	170	11.75	18	325	10.65
12	183	12.25	1	550	9.50
2	245	11.50	2	305	10.00
1	240	11.75	6	165	11.75
2	215	12.00	3	403	10.50
2	185	12.25	7	338	10.25
58	198	12.25	15	146	12.00
1	170	12.00	11	305	12.25
3	430	10.25	10	222	12.25
1	410	9.00	10	128	11.50
8	137	11.50	3	152	11.50
28	207	12.25	1	400	10.00
2	325	10.25	15	208	12.00
2	235	10.00			
		LAMBS			
37	79	$ 8.50	25	58	$ 7.00
29	93	8.00			

Friday Morning Sales

No.	Av. lbs.	Price.	No.	Av. lbs.	Price.
		STEERS			
20	948	$ 7.75			
		CALVES			
6	108	$13.00	1	70	$11.00
1	250	$ 8.00			
		BULLS			
1	1780	$ 7.00			
		HOGS			
49	200	$12.25	23	282	$12.00
55	199	12.25	5	252	10.25
13	148	11.25	1	150	12.25
9	144	11.00	1	530	11.00

AMERICAN LIVESTOCK PRICES

Hogs $10.35

Chicago, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts, 29,000; 15@25c lower. Bulk, $10.30; top, $10.35; heavyweight, $10.00@10.25; medium weight, $10.10@10.30; light weight, $10.00@10.25; light lights, $9.90@10.15; heavy packing sows, smooth, $9.50@9.90; packing sows, rough, $9.25@9.50; pigs, $9.50 @10.25.

Cattle—Receipts, 6000; slow. Beef steers, choice and prime, $13.25@15.50; medium and good, $8.75@13.25; light weight, $10.75@ 15.25; good and choice, $10.75@15.25; common and medium, $6.75@10.75; butcher cattle, heifers, $4.75@12.00; cows, $4.65@10.25; bulls, $4.35@9.00; canners and cutters, cows and heifers, $3.50@4.60; canner steers, $3.75 @5.50; veal calves, light and handyweight, $11.00@12.00; feeder steers, $6.50@12.00; stocker steers, $4.00@8.50; stocker cows and heifers, $4.00@6.25; stocker calves, $7.50@ 10.75; Western range cattle, cows and heifers, $5.25@9.00.

Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; 25c lower. Lambs, 84 lbs. down, $11.25@12.75; culls and common, $8.50@11.00; yearling wethers, $8.75@ 11.00; ewes, $4.25@5.50; culls and common, $2.50@3.50; breeding ewes, $4.50@6.00; feeder lambs, $9.50@11.25.

Omaha Hogs $10.15

Omaha, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs — Receipts, 6500; mostly 10c to 15c higher. Bulk, $9.40@9.90; top, $10.15.

Cattle—Receipts, 1700; generally steady on all classes. No choice fed cattle on sale.

Sheep—Receipts, 3500; sheep and yearlings mostly 25c higher, lambs strong, few feeders here. Top lambs, $11.75; bulk, $11.25@ 11.50; best yearlings, $9.15; ewes, $5.40.

Denver Hogs $10.25

Denver, Dec. 3.—(U. P.)—Cattle—Receipts 1300; steady. Steers, $7.50@8.50; cows and heifers, $5.00@6.25; stockers and feeders, $5.50@8.25; calves, $7.00@9.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 600; steady. Top, $10.25; bulk, $9.50@10.00.

Sheep—Receipts 1400; steady. Lambs, $10.00@11.00; ewes, $3.50@5.00; feeders, $9.50@10.50.

Chicago Dairy Produce

Chicago, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Receipts, 4085 tubs. Creamery, extra, 50c; firsts, 40@47c; packing stock, 18@25c.

Eggs—Receipts, 1332 cases. Current receipts, 66@72c; ordinary firsts, 64@68c; firsts, 75@76c; checks, 41@48c; dirties, 45@ 55c.

Cheese—Twins, new, 25@25½c; daisies, 25½@26c; Young Americas, 27c; longhorns, 27c; brick, 23@23½c.

Live Poultry—Turkeys, 35c; chickens, 16@ 24½c; spring, 24½c; roosters, 18c; geese, 25c; ducks, 27c.

Dried Fruit and Beans

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Beans—Market easy; marrow, choice, $9.00; pea, choice, $5.25@5.50; red kidney, choice, $10.25@ 10.50.

Dried Fruits—Market quiet; apricots, extra choice to fancy, 28@36c; apples, evaporated, prime to fancy, 6@12½c; prunes, 30s to 60s, 14½@20c; prunes, 60s to 100s, 8½@12c; peaches, extra choice to fancy, 18@21½c; seeded raisins, choice to fancy, 23½@25c.

New York Potato Market

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes (in bulk, barrel or bag)—Market strong; nearby white, steady, $2.50@4.50; Southerns, $2.00@ 3.00.

Minneapolis-Duluth Flax

Duluth, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Flax—January, $2.18; May, $2.32; December, $2.15; track and arrive, $2.16.

Minneapolis, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Flax—Track, $2.16@2.17; arrive, $2.15.

New York Poultry Market

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Live poultry—Firm. Chickens, 25@38c; fowls, 23@ 31c; turkeys, 45c; roosters, 20c; ducks, 38@ 40c; geese, 30@35c.

Foreign Exchange Market

New York, Dec. 3.—(U. P.)—Foreign exchange opened steady. Sterling, $3.48¾; francs, .0606; lire, .0362; marks, .0142; Canadian dollars, .8750.

POTATO MARKET A MASS OF WEAKNESS

By Hyman H. Cohen

There is a complete absence of inquiry for potatoes for shipping purposes at country points tributary to Portland and similar news comes regarding other centers of the United States.

With a total potato crop in the United States that is believed to have passed all previous production records, practically all sections have potatoes of their own and are not in the market for supplies from other districts

Potatoes are selling from 90c to $1 per cental at Idaho and Colorado shipping points for best stock and there is slow demand at that. Both of those states have considerable freight rate advantage over this territory and even at the same price it would be impossible to compete for the limited amount of business available.

The only business shown in this territory is the small lot purchases of Portland wholesalers who are not generally offering above $1 a cental for good quality.

Primary markets slow:

Rochester, N. Y.—Haulings light. Light wire inquiry. Demand and more slow. Market dull. Carloads f. o. b. usual terms: U. S. No. 1s and No. 1s well graded, bulk Round Whites, too few sales to establish market. Sacked Round Whites, few sales, $1.75@1.80.

Presque Isle, Maine.—Haulings very light. Light wire inquiry. Practically no demand. Market weaker. Carloads f. o. b. usual terms: Bulk Irish Cobblers and Green Mountains No. 1s, mostly $1.55. Wholesale cash to growers: Bulk per bushel measure Irish Cobblers and Green Mountains, No. 1s and partly graded, $2.00@2.50, mostly around $2.25.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Light wire inquiry. Demand limited. Market unsettled. Carloads f. o. b. usual terms Cadillac rate: Sacked Round Whites U. S. No. 1s, Grand Rapids, $1.53@1.68, mostly around $1.60; Cadillac section, $1.53@1.68, mostly $1.60. Wholesale cash to growers: Other Michigan points, haulings very light; bulk Round Whites No. 1s, $1.00@1.25, mostly $1.00@1.15.

Waupaca, Wis.—Practically no wire inquiry or demand. Market weak. Sacked Round Whites U. S. No. 1s, very few sales, $1.50@ 1.55. Wholesale cash to growers: Haulings light account condition of roads. Bulk Round Whites, U. S. No. 1s, at Waupaca, $1.00, at other Wisconsin points mostly $1.00.

Greeley, Colo.—Haulings increasing slightly. Light wire inquiry. Demand slow. Market weak. Carloads f. o. b. cash track to growers and wholesale cash to growers. Sacked Pearls and Rurals, U. S. 1s and partly graded, 90c@ $1.00.

Idaho Falls, Idaho.—Haulings moderate. Demand slow. Market dull. Some buyers holding off. Wagonloads cash to growers: U. S. No. 1s, sacked Rurals, 90c; sacked Russets, $1.10@1.15, mostly $1.00. Wagonloads cash to growers at country loading points; U. S. No. 1s, sacked Rurals, 80@90c; sacked Russets, $1.00@1.10.

Wheat Is Down In Early Trading; Selling by East

Chicago, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Wheat closed strong. Prominent commission houses and elevator concerns absorbed the offerings on the early break, and when shorts tried to cover late in the session they held prices up sharply December displayed most strength on better support coming from the seaboard. Coarse grains rallied near the close in sympathy with wheat, the deferred months showing more resistance on the way up. Provisions closed sharply lower.

Final prices were gains of 1@1¼c for December, while March was unchanged to ¼c lower. December corn advanced ⅜c, May unchanged, and July ⅛@¼c lower. December oats rose ¼c, May ¼@⅜c, and July ⅝c higher.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—With best selling by houses with Eastern connections wheat opened ½c to ¾c lower for December and ¾c off for March. The trade was light and mixed.

Corn opened unchanged to ¼c lower for December and ⅛c to ½c off for May. Trade was light as in wheat and Eastern commission houses were on the selling side.

Oats opened with light buying featuring the early trade. December was ⅛c higher and May started ¼c lower to ¼c higher.

Scattered selling and lack of support featured provisions at the opening. Prices were around 10c lower.

Chicago range by United Press:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
	WHEAT			
Dec.	168½	172½	166	170½
March	164	166¾	161	165
	CORN			
Dec.	71⅞	72½	70½	72¼
May	76	76⅝	74¼	76⅜
	OATS			
Dec.	47½	47⅞	46⅝	47⅝
May	51¼	51½	50¼	51⅜
	RYE			
December	152¼	153⅜	151	153⅜
May	136½	138	135⅜	138
	BARLEY			
December	70	70	69⅜	70
May	74¼	75	73⅜	73

Cash barley, 65@94c.

	PORK		
January 2385	2385	2342	2342
	LARD		
January 1535	1535	1490	1490
	RIBS		
January 1265	1295	1257	1260

Cash wheat—No. 2 red, $1.92¼; No. 2 hard, $1.77½.

DAIRY PRODUCTS OF THE COAST

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, Dec. 3.—(U. P.)—Butter—Extras, 53c.

Eggs—Extras, 84c; extra firsts, 82c; extra pullets, 68½c; undersized pullets, 66c.

Cheese—California flats, fancy, 31½c; firsts, 25c.

Seattle Market

Seattle, Dec. 3.—(U. P.)—Butter—City creamery cubes, 54c; bricks, 55c.

Eggs—Fresh ranch, 65c; pullets, 55c.

Milk—$1.95.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—57c.

Eggs—Extras, 76c; case count, 71c; pullets, 70c; peewees, 62c.

POTATOES ALONG THE COAST

Seattle Market

Seattle, Dec. 3.—(U. P.)—Potatoes—Yakima Gems, $42; local, $32@35.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes—Stockton Burbanks, $2.35@2.50; Idaho russets mostly $2.15@2.35.

Apple Trade Slow

Yakima, Wash., Dec. 3.—Yakima's army of labor employed in the apple packing industry is about through with the season's work. It is estimated that over 1000 men, women and girls have been employed at wages ranging from $4 to $8 a day since early in October. The season generally continues till after the first of the year, but owing to unsatisfactory prices the present crop is slow in moving, and workers will be laid off till the demand makes a more active market. It is estimated that fully 25 per cent of the Winesap crop is being held in storage in loose boxes and will be packed out when the market seems ready to absorb the crop. In this way growers and shippers tie up less money and save on repacking charges in the spring in case the storage has to be held till late.

New York Wool and Hides

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Wool—Market unsettled. Domestic fleece, XX Ohio, 29@ 52c; do pulled, scoured basis, 30@80c; do Texas, scoured basis, 60c@$1.00.

Hides—Market quiet. Native steers, 19@ 20c; branded steers, 14½@15½c.

Money and Exchange

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Call money on the floor of the New York stock exchange today ruled at 7 per cent; high, 7 per cent; low, 7 per cent. Time money was steady. Rates were 7½@7¾ per cent. The market for prime mercantile paper was steady. Call money in London today was 4¾ per cent. Sterling exchange was easy, with business in bankers' bills at $3.47½ for demand.

New York-London Silver

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Commercial bar silver: Domestic unchanged at 99½; foreign, ⅜c higher at 70c.

London—Bar silver was ⅜d higher today at 44¾d.

New York Sugar and Coffee

New York, Dec. 3.—(U. P.)—Sugar quiet, raw 5.76; refined quiet; granulated, $8.75@ 9.00.

Coffee—No. 7 spot 7c; No. 4 Santos, 10 @10¾c.

WHEAT BIDS ARE SHARPLY HIGHER

HOW WHEAT RULED

	Dec. 3.	Nov. 26.
Hard white	$1.60	$1.40
Soft white	1.53	1.35
White club	1.58	1.40
Hard winter	1.53	1.35
Northern Spring	1.53	1.35
Red Walla	1.50	1.30

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS
Reported by Portland Merchants Exchange:

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
			Cars		
Portland—Friday	79	6	5	...	10
Year ago	7	6	1	1	924
Season to date	7597	134	381	261	924
Year ago	4752	119	1960	330	856
Tacoma—Thurs.	1	...	6	...	1
Year ago	19	...	...	2	4
Season to date	2894	41	439	68	474
Year ago	3395	55	...	111	517
Seattle—Thurs.	15	...	1	1	2
Year ago	15	1	3	...	1
Season to date	2805	158	166	206	932
Year ago	3143	139	369	369	709

Portland wheat bids were 10c a bushel higher for the leading options Friday on the local exchange, a sheer rise of about 20c since the low point was reached November 26.

With many cargoes of wheat sold short here by exporters, there has been a general scramble for supplies in the country and bids are being advanced there above the Portland basis.

Germany alone was a buyer of two shiploads of wheat in Portland during the last few days. The German food commissioner asserts that his country will need about 72,000,000 bushels of wheat this season, and it is to this country that the Germans are looking for their supplies.

No bids were named on oats or barley during the day.

FLOUR — Selling price, mill door: Patent, $9.80; Montana spring wheat, $10.20; Willamette valley brands, $8.15; local straight, $7.90; bakers' local, $9.25@9.60; graham, $8.00; whole wheat, $8.20. Price for city deliveries 15c extra; suburban, 20c extra.

HAY—Buying price, nominal. Willamette timothy, fancy, $28.00@30.00 per ton; clover, $20.00; cheat, $23.00; straw, $11.00@11.50; grain, $25.00; alfalfa, $24.00 per ton.

GRAIN SACKS—Nominal. No. 1 Calcutta, 10c; domestic, 11c, in car lots; less amounts higher.

MILLSTUFFS—Mill run at mill, sacked, ton lots, $40.00; carloads, $39.00 per ton.

OATS—Per ton, buying price: Feed, $41.00 @43.00.

BARLEY—Buying price: Feed, $42.00; milling, $48.00.

SEED—Buying price, nominal; no demand. Red clover, recleaned, (—) per lb.; alsike, (—); vetch, (—).

FEEDSTUFFS—F. O. B. mills: Rolled barley, $53.00; alfalfa meal, $35.00; cocoanut meal, $39.00; cracked corn, $53.00; whole corn, $50.00 ton; scratch feed, $67; soy bean meal, $63.00; linseed meal, $80.00; whole oats, $51.00; rolled oats, $53.00 per ton.

ROLLED OATS—Selling price: $10.50 bbl.

Merchants Exchange bids:

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WHEAT	Dec.	Jan.
Hard white	160	160
Soft white	153	154
White club	157	157
Hard winter	153	154
Northern spring	153	154
Red Walla	150	151

FEED OATS

No bids.

BARLEY

No bids.

CORN

No. 3 Eastern (bulk)	3600	3625
No. 3 local (bulk)	— No Bids —	

SELLING PRESSURE FORCES A LOWER PRICE IN COTTON

New York, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Decided weakness at Liverpool, with heavy selling by Liverpool, the South and spot interests here, caused a break of from 25 to 44 points at the opening of the cotton market today. Wall street was the best buyer on decline, but this demand failed to absorb the offerings and at the end of the first 20 minutes the market was still unsettled.

Private cables said that Lancashire mills had gone on 15 per cent short time and reported a big break in Egyptian cotton.

Wall street firms were among the foreign buyers and the market displayed a very steady undertone. At the close, however, prices eased off again at a net decline of 23@30 points.

Month—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	1560	1580	1524	1565
Feb.	...	...	...	1575
Mch.	1560	1592	1537	1582
April	...	...	...	1590
May	1590	1607	1553	1597
June	...	...	...	1600
July	1585	1614	1560	1602
Aug.	...	...	...	1590
Sept.	...	...	...	1587
Oct.	1580	1590	1535	1575
Dec.	1585	1585	1540	1560

Liverpool Cotton Weak

Liverpool, Dec. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Spot cotton opened with more inquiry today. Prices were weak. Sales, 4000 bales. American mid. 15.46; good mid., 12.71; full mid., 11.96; mid., 10.46; low mid., 7.71; good ordinary, 5.21; ordinary, 4.21. Futures opened easy.

Standard Oil Stocks

	Bid.	Asked.
Anglo	18½	19½
Borne Scrymser	400	420
Buckeye	84	87
Cheesebrough	195	210
Cheesebrough pfd.	100	102
Continental	108	112
Crescent	28	31
Cumberland	125	135
Eureka	90	100
Galena com.	50	53
Galena Oil pfd.	90	94
Galena New pfd.	88	92
Illinois Pipe	159	162
Indiana Pipe	85	87
National Transit	25	27
N. Y. Transit	160	165
Northern Pipe	98	102
Ohio Oil	292	298
International Pete.	16½	17
Penn. Mex.	40	42
Prairie Oil	510	520
Prairie Pipe	205	210
Solar Refg.	360	390
Southern Pipe	98	102
South Penn. Oil	252	257
S. W. Penn. Oil	60	65
S. O. Calif.	320	325
S. O. Ind.	720	725
S. O. Kansas	600	625
S. O. Kentucky	430	450
S. O. New York	358	362
S. O. Ohio	400	415
S. O. Ohio, pfd.	102	105
Swan & Finch	35	36
Union Tank	100	105
Union Tank pfd.	95	98
Vacuum	310	320
Washington	30	35
S. O. Nebraska	410	430

New York Bond Market

(Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co.)

	Bid.	Ask.
Atchison Genl. 4s	75	75¼
Bal. & Ohio Gold 4s	68½	69
Beth. Steel Ref. 5s	77½	78
Cent. Pacific 1st 4s	72½	72¾
C., B. & Q. Col. 4s	96½	96¾
St. Paul Genl. 4½s	77	77¾
Chicago N. W. Genl. 4s	77⅛	77¾
L. & N. Uni. 4s	80	...
New York Ry. 6s	...	28
Northern Pac. P. L. 4s	76⅛	76¼
Reading Genl. 4s	81	81⅞
Union Pac. 1st 4s	80½	81
U. S. Steel 5s	91	91½
Union Pac. 1st Ref. 5s	73⅝	73¾
Southern Pac. Conv. 5s	105	105½
Southern Pac. Conv. 4s	76¼	76¾
Penna. Conv. 4½s	89⅛	89⅝
Penna. 1st 4½s	79⅛	80
Ches. & Ohio Conv. 5s	83¾	84½

PACIFIC COAST BANK STATEMENT

Clearings—	This Week.	Year Ago.
Portland Banks		
Monday	$ 6,311,280.63	$ 8,971,813.12
Tuesday	4,794,475.34	6,946,813.12
Wednesday	6,038,075.71	5,577,347.46
Thursday	5,059,779.71	5,194,262.96
Friday	4,735,470.46	5,339,422.77
Spokane Banks		
Clearings Friday	$ 2,032,275.00	
Balances Friday	664,183.00	
Tacoma Banks	