SAYS BANKS PAY NO HEED TO THE LAWS

SENSATION SPRUNG AT TRIAL OF WALSH

FORMER DEPUTY COMPTROLLER MAKES REVELATIONS

Admits That Institutions Generally Throughout the Country Ignore Regulations Regarding Loans

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—That certain sections of the national banking laws are dead letters so far as banking practices are concerned and that these violations meet with only formal criticism from the comptroller of the currency, was the testimony today of George M. Coffin of New York, former deputy comptroller of the currency, in the trial of John R. Walsh, on charges of misapplying the funds of the defunct Chicago National bank.

Coffin was asked by Attorney John S. Miller for the defense if it was a prevailing practice of national banks to make accommodation and memorandum notes and loans in excess of the limit provided by the banking laws.

Before the witness could answer an objection by the attorneys for the government brought out a long argument, during which Judge Anderson declared that the testimony was neither material, competent nor relevent so far as Walsh's intent in similar transactions was concerned, but he allowed it to be given in order that the defense might lay the foundation for an attempt to prove that such practices are general all over the country.

The question was then repeated and Mr. Coffin answered in the affirmative. Then the examination broadened.

Practice Is General

"Were such cases as this one in which Mr. Walsh is involved frequently reported to the comptroller by the bank examiners?"

"Yes sir."

"Were they criticised by the comptroller?"

"No; there was no special criticism."

"What took place in the comptroller's office?"

"The reports were gone over and printed letters calling the attention of the bank to the statutes were sent to the banks."

"Did the practice of making excessive loans prevail?"

Excessive Loans Made

"Yes sir; there were always about one-third of the banks making such loans. This prevailed in a reserve district and in about thirty cities of the country, including New York and Chicago."

Mr. Coffin then testified that the printed letters sent to the banks were formal and perfunctory, signed with autograph stamps and containing directions regarding excessive loans. These letters were not followed up, and replies even were not necessary.

The witness asserted that all loans from banks by their officers, excessive or within the limit provided by law, are generally considered matters of judgment. Memorandum notes are customary, he asserted, in all banks with which he is familiar.

LETTER WRITTEN BY JOHN ADAMS IS INTERESTING

Original Manuscript of Missive Written by Former President in 1809 Received as Christmas Gift

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—Joseph F. Ward, president of the City National bank of Evanston, received an unusual Christmas gift in the form of the original manuscript of a letter written to his grandfather, Col. Joseph Ward, by John Adams in 1809. The letter throws new light upon the attitude of Adams upon Alexander Hamilton and other leaders of his time. It follows in part:

"Quincy, Aug. 31, 1809.

"Sir: The negotiations of the peace of 1783 are known in detail by nobody but myself, and as they have been misrepresented they will be more so hereafter if the truth is not told and supported by documents.

"The history of our country is getting full of falsehoods and it is high time for some of them to be corrected. Hamilton propagated a great many, some of which I am endeavoring to rectify or correct in justice. Have I had any success?

"If an excessive partiality for England too strongly resembling the sentiment of the Tories in 1779 can be abated and the fatal policy of depending on the British fleet for protection be averted it will be well worth the pains. In short, the fatal error of depending on the wisdom, justice or benevolence of any foreign nation for protection or assistance must be corrected or we shall be miserably deceived and betrayed."

SENATOR FULTON CALLS ON HENEY TO EXPLAIN

By Associated Press.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 4.—The Oregonian today prints an open letter addressed by United States Senator Fulton to Francis J. Heney, calling upon him either to deny his responsibility for the insinuations alleged to have been made by Heney in criticism of Fulton's official acts or to make a public statement of the alleged facts on which the accusations are based.

Banks Retiring Scrip

By Associated Press.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 4.—The retirement of the clearing house certificates issued by the united Seattle banks early last November has been under way for some days past and has progressed to such a degree that more than $100,000 of the issue has been withdrawn. Certificates to the amount of between $1,000,000 and $1,500,000 were issued.

Two Killed by Dynamite

By Associated Press.

SPRAGUE, Wash., Jan. 4.—Two laborers were killed and eight badly injured by a dynamite explosion in a construction camp on the Portland & Seattle railroad, twenty-five miles south of Sprague yesterday. The men were all Bulgarians and were thawing dynamite in a kitchen range.

Governor Cannot Attend

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 4.—Governor Gillett, owing to stress of official business, will be unable to go to San Diego to attend the ceremony of unveiling the Bennington monument. He has instructed the members of his staff who live in the southern part of the state to be present and represent him.

ALL READY FOR SECOND THAW TRIAL

PRISONER'S ATTORNEYS HOLD FINAL CONFERENCE

HIS MOTHER IS TOO ILL TO APPEAR IN COURT

Two Brothers and His Sister, Mrs. George L. Carnegie, Are in New York—Night Sessions May Be Held

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The final conferences of the attorneys engaged in the defense of Harry K. Thaw were held today without the presence of Mrs. Thaw, the mother, who was expected to go over the case in its entirety with the lawyers. Mrs. Thaw is still too ill to come on from her home in Pittsburg and will not be in court when Thaw is called to his place on Monday morning.

She is expected to arrive in New York within the next week or ten days, however, and will be ready to again take the stand if the attorneys for the defense deem her testimony necessary. Josiah and Edward Thaw, the brothers, and Mrs. George L. Carnegie, a sister, are expected Monday.

The trial will be held in the same branch of the supreme court as before—the room of the more or less criticised mural decorations depicting the "Fates" in one panel, "Justice" in another and "Fraternity, Equality and Liberty" in a third.

Cannot Sit with Family

The counsel rail in the room has been extended and the prisoner and his attorneys will sit within the inclosure this time and be effectually separated from his wife and family.

Justice Victor Dowling, who will preside at the trial, is one of the youngest members of the state supreme bench, but has already attained a wide reputation as a jurist. He has expressed an intention to hold the opposing attorneys steadily to their tasks and to expedite the trial as much as possible.

It is intimated that if it appears from the first day's proceedings that the work of jury selecting will be difficult night sessions will be held. The demand for admission to the trial is expected to be heavy, but it is promised that the lines are to be strictly drawn.

The ban upon the attendance of women will go far toward preventing a repetition of the almost riotous scenes in the court house corridors which marked the opening of the first hearing.

Since the announcement that Anthony Comstock, head of the Society for the Suppression of Vice, would be called as one of the principal new witnesses for the defense, the rumor has once more gained circulation that Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw will not take the stand, the theory being that Comstock's testimony will indicate what Thaw had heard regarding Stanford White and thus relieve the wife from repeating her remarkable story.

It was again authoritatively stated today, however, that young Mrs. Thaw will be relied upon as the chief witness.

BODY OF MAN, SECURELY BOUND, FLOATS ASHORE

Believed to Be Father of Woman in Oakland—In Pocket Is Found Letter Addressed to "Dear Father"

By Associated Press.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 4.—A special dispatch from Seattle says that the body of a man with his arms securely tied and around the neck a buckskin thong, to which it looked as though a rock had been attached, who is supposed to be James F. Smith, father of Sister M. Lutgarde of St. Joseph's deaf mute home, 4002 Telegraph avenue, Oakland, was found washed up on the beach a few miles from here yesterday.

The corpse is that of a man about fifty years of age, of medium height and weight. In the pocket of one of the two coats which were on the body was found a letter addressed to "Dear Father," and signed with the name of the sister mentioned. The coat was marked "James Smith."

OFFICIALS OF COLORADO BANK ARE ARRESTED

President and Directors Are Charged with Accepting Deposits After They Knew Institution Was Insolvent

By Associated Press.

DURANGO, Colo., Jan. 4.—Following the report of Owen F. Boyle, receiver of the defunct Colorado State bank which was filed in the district court today, warrants were sworn out charging Benjamin M. Freeman, president; Frank Eldredge, Evans Hampton and W. C. Chapman, directors, with having received deposits when they knew the bank to be insolvent. They were arrested and gave bonds for appearance for trial.

According to Receiver Boyle's report the Colorado State bank will be able to pay depositors 25 cents on the dollar on the outside estimate.

FRENCH OFFICIAL REFUSED LAST RITES OF THE CHURCH

By Associated Press.

CLERMONT FERNAND, France, Jan. 4.—Jean Francis Edmund Gerout-Desuuand, the French minister of justice, was refused the last rites of the church when buried here today.

A priest had prepared to hold a solemn high mass when he received notification that the deceased has suffered excommunication on account of having embraced Freemasonry. Therefore only a civil ceremony was celebrated. At the grave, however, the bishop permitted the priest to perform a brief absolution service.

BARONESS' WILL LEAVES OVER MILLION TO CHARITY

By Associated Press.

PARIS, Jan. 4.—The will of Baroness Adolphe de Rothschild, who died November 18 last, donated over $1,600,000 to charity, only one-fourth of this specifically for the "relief of Israelites."

Roosevelt Accepts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4. — President Roosevelt today accepted an invitation to attend the dinner to be given by the Gridiron club January 25.

FINANCIAL-COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK STOCK AND BOND MARKET

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The stock market today had an appearance of being whipped into activity by artificial means, owing to extreme irregularity and inconstancy of the movements. Upward and downward fluctuations were constant and there were opposing currents in the movement at all times. Northern Pacific was a focus of the buying movement and rumors were revived of a coming extra dividend disbursement on the stock, for which there was no official sanction. Reading, on the other hand, was affected by profit taking, which was conducted in an orderly manner and desisted from the declines in the stock.

A number of industrials were prominent for strength, including the coppers. Foreign markets offered no assistance to the advancing tendency here. Berlin reported some anxiety over the money situation, owing to a forthcoming Prussian loan. The discount rate receded, therefore, in spite of the weak return of the Imperial Bank of Germany for the past week. Discounts showed a hardening tendency in London. The repayment of heavy obligations to the Bank of England, the publication by the treasury department of the statement of money in circulation on the first of the year, disclosed the continuance of the wide expansion of the circulation of the country during December, the addition for that month reaching $70,048,000. This followed an increase in November of $131,873,000, and in October of $70,000,000, bringing the addition to the circulation for three months up to $272,621,000 and making the total in circulation $3,078,989,000—$35.48 per capita—which is the highest per capita circulation ever reached in this country. A good effect was produced by the representatives of savings banks authorities that withdrawals after the first of the year are turning out to be no larger than normal.

It was thought possible that intended withdrawals with the expiration of the sixty days' notices after the panic in New York might have been deferred until after the interest period had passed. Anticipation of the favorable bank statement was a factor in the buying in stocks, but the tone of the market persisted to the closing.

The $8,000,000 gain in cash by the banks indicates that the disappearance of the currency premium has brought some money out of hording from local resources as well as starting the inflow of cash from the interior. The decrease in deposits is not as large as the loan contraction would show when offset by the cash increase, and a further cancellation of clearing house certificates is inferred from this fact.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, $1,238,000. United States 2s have declined ½ per cent on call during the week.

New York Stocks

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Following were the official closing quotations:

Sales.		High.	Low.	Close.
.....	Adams Express	..	..	165
18700	Amalgamated Copper	49⅝	47⅝	49
300	American Car & Fdry	31⅝	31½	31¼
100	do pfd	89⅞	89⅞	88½
200	American Cotton Oil	31	31	30
.....	do pfd	..	..	85
.....	American Express	..	..	200
.....	Amer Hide & Leather	..	..	13½
2400	American Ice	18½	17⅝	17⅝
.....	American Linseed Oil	..	..	7¾
.....	do pfd	..	..	17¾
1100	American Locomotive	37	36⅝	36⅝
200	do pfd	86	85½	86
8800	Amer Smelting & Rfg	73¾	72⅝	73
.....	do pfd	..	..	93¼
8000	American Sugar Rfg	108¼	106	106¼
300	American Tobacco	76	76	76
2000	Anaconda Mining Co	30	29¼	29½
3900	Atchison	70	69¾	69¾
700	do pfd	85	85	84½
700	Atlantic Coast Line	71½	69	72
600	Baltimore & Ohio	83	82⅝	82¾
.....	do pfd	..	..	84
7400	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	41⅝	40⅝	40⅝
800	Canadian Pacific	158	157¾	157¾
.....	Central of New Jersey	..	..	172
2900	Chesapeake & Ohio	29¾	29	29¾
200	Chicago Great Western	8	7⅞	7⅞
100	Chicago & Northwestern	138⅛	138⅛	138
6600	Chicago, Mil & St P	107¼	106	106¼
.....	Chicago Term & Tran	..	..	5
.....	do pfd	..	..	15
200	C. C., C. & St L	57	57	57½
100	Colorado Fuel & Iron	20	20	19½
1500	Colorado & Southern	25⅛	24¼	24½
200	do 1st pfd	52⅞	52⅞	52
300	do 2d pfd	43⅛	43	42½
5000	Consolidated Gas	99	98¼	98¾
400	Corn Products	11	11	11
100	do pfd	57	57	58
700	Delaware & Hudson	154½	154	154¼
.....	Dela, Lacka & West	..	..	435
200	Denver & Rio Grande	20⅞	20⅞	20¾
.....	do pfd	..	..	60
300	Distillers' Securities	31½	31¼	31
200	Erie	17	16½	16½
.....	do 1st pfd	..	..	33¾
.....	do 2d pfd	..	..	23¾
300	General Electric	115½	115	115½
800	Illinois Central	127½	125¾	128
100	International Paper	9¼	9¼	9
200	do pfd	53¾	53⅝	53
200	International Pump	14¼	14	14¼
.....	do pfd	..	..	65
200	Iowa Central	10⅞	10⅞	10½
.....	do pfd	..	..	32
.....	Kansas City Southern	..	..	23⅞
.....	do pfd	..	..	52
1900	Louisville & Nashville	95	93⅝	94¼
2100	Mexican Central	15¼	15	15⅛
300	Minneapolis & St Louis	25	24¾	24½
.....	Min, St P & Ste Marie	..	..	87½
.....	do pfd	..	..	125
700	Missouri Pacific	45	44¼	44¾
300	Missouri, Kas & Texas	25½	25½	25½
.....	do pfd	..	..	56
300	National Lead	40	39½	39½
.....	National Ry of Mex	..	..	43½
4400	New York Central	92¾	92	92⅝
1700	New York, Ont & W	34	33¼	33¾
.....	Norfolk & Western	..	..	64
.....	do pfd	..	..	84
100	North American	46½	46½	46
.....	Pacific Mail	..	..	25
7200	Pennsylvania Railroad	111⅞	111	111
200	People's Gas	81½	81½	81¼
.....	Pittsburg, C C & St L	..	..	63
100	Pressed Steel Car	20¼	20¼	20
200	do pfd	70	70	69½
.....	Pullman Palace Car	..	..	150
70200	Reading	99¼	97⅞	98
.....	do 1st pfd	..	..	78
.....	do 2d pfd	..	..	74
.....	Republic Steel	..	..	16½
100	do pfd	67	67	66½
800	Rock Island Co	15½	15½	15⅝
400	do pfd	29½	29	29
300	St. Louis & San Fran	29½	29½	28½
.....	St. Louis Southwestern	..	..	14¼
.....	do pfd	..	..	29½
3800	Southern Pacific	73½	72¾	72¾
100	do pfd	107½	107½	106½
200	Southern Railway	13	12⅝	12⅞
.....	do pfd	..	..	36½
.....	Texas & Pacific	..	..	20
200	Toledo, St. Louis & W	14⅞	14¾	14½
200	do pfd	35⅝	35¼	35
33100	Union Pacific	120¼	119	119½
200	do pfd	80	80	80½
.....	United States Express	..	..	90
100	United States Realty	37	37	35
100	United States Rubber	20¾	20¾	20¾
100	do pfd	79½	79½	79¼
9200	United States Steel	27	25⅝	26⅝
4000	do pfd	89¼	89	89
.....	Va. Caro. Chemical	..	..	18
.....	do pfd	..	..	95
100	Wabash	18	18	17½
.....	Wells Fargo Express	..	..	310
.....	Westinghouse Electric	..	..	41¼
200	Western Union	55¼	55¼	55¼
.....	Wheeling & Lake Erie	..	..	7½
.....	do pfd	..	..	14½
.....	Wisconsin Central	..	..	14½
.....	do pfd	..	..	40
36800	Northern Pacific	123	119¾	122
.....	Central Leather	..	..	16¼
200	do pfd	76½	76½	76½
.....	Sloss Sheffield	..	..	36½
9600	Great Northern pfd	118⅞	117½	118
200	Inter Met	7	7¾	6¾
.....	do pfd	..	..	18

Total sales, 283,200 shares.

New York Bonds

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Following were the official closing quotations:

U S rfdg 2s reg	104½	Mex Cent 4s	74½
do coup	104½	do 1st inc	15⅝
do 3s reg	100¾	M & St L 4s	82
do coup	101½	M K & T 4s	94¼
do new 4s reg	119	do 2ds	81
do coup	119	Nat Ry Mex 4s	77½
Am Tob 4s	63	N Y C gen 3½s	88¼
do 6s	98	N J C gen 5s	117¼
Atch gen 4s	97	Northern Pac 4s	100⅛
Brook R T 4s	67¼	do 3s	68½
Cent of Ga 5s	97¼	Norf & Westn 4s	92¼
do 1st inc	65	Oregon Shore L 4s	87
do 2d inc	45	Penn 3½s cv	92½
do 3d inc	36	Reading gen 4s	93¾
C & O 4½s	96	St L & I M 5s	104
C & A 3½s	82¼	St L & S F 4s	74½

Atl Coast L 4s	88	St L & S W 4s	61½
B & O 4s	97¼	Seaboard A L 4s	60
do 3½s	90¼	South Pac 4s	81
C B & Q 4s	94	do 1st 4s ctfs	88
C R I P 4s	93¼	Southern Rwy 5s	94
do col 5s	74⅞	T & P 1sts	107
CCC & St L 4s	95	T St L & W 4s	68½
Colo Ind 5s ser A	46¾	Union Pac 4s	99¾
Colo Mid 4s	56	do cv 4s	85½
Colo & So 4s	83	U S Steel 2d 5s	86⅝
Cuba 5s	99½	Wabash 1sts	105¼
D & R G 4s	94	do deb B	44
Dist Sects 5s	80	West Md 4s	64
Erie pr ln 4s	83¾	W & L E 4s	71
do gen 4s	70	Wis Cent 4s	78
Hock Val 4½s	97	Jap 4s ctfs	77½
Jan 4½s ctfs	88	Atch ctfs 4s	87
do 2d ser	88	do 5s	86½
L & N 4s	95	Inter Met 4½s	88¾
Manhat gold 4s	93		

Boston Stocks and Bonds

By Associated Press.

BOSTON, Jan. 4.—The following were the closing quotations today:

Atch adj 4s	82	Amalgamated	48⅞
do 4s	95	Atlantic	10
Mex Cent 4s	97½	Bingham	4¼
Atchison	69⅛	Calumet & Hecla	600
do pfd	84½	Centennial	25¾
Boston & Alb	155	Copper Range	59
Boston & Me	133	Daly West	7¼
Boston L	128	Franklin	8⅞
Fitchbg pfd	113½	Granby	18½
Mex Cent	14⅞	Mass Mining	3½
NY NH & H	123½	Michigan	9
Union Pacific	119½	Mohawk	49
Am Arg Chem	15	Mont C & C	1½
do pfd	79	Old Dominion	30¾
Am Pn Tube	14	Osceola	88
Am Sugar	105½	Parrot	19
do pfd	113	Quincy	85
Am T & T	101¼	Shannon	10¼
Am Woolen	19½	Tamarack	67
do pfd	86	Trinity	15
Dom I & S	14½	United Copper	7¾
Edison Elto Ilim	205	U S Mining	33¾
Gen Elec	115	U S Oil	10¾
Mass Elec	9¾	Utah	30¼
do pfd	43¾	Victoria	4½
Mass Gas	50	Winona	4¾
United Fruit	117	Wolverine	119
United Shoe M	38¾	North Butte	45½
do pfd	24¾	Butte Coalition	19⅛
U S Steel	26⅝	Nevada	9¼
do pfd	85¾	Calumet & Ariz	106
Westhse com	2¼	Ariz Comcl	15¼
Allouez	29½		

Treasury Balances

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Today's statement of the treasury balances shows: Available cash balance $2,69785,693; gold coin and bullion, $38,391,336; gold certificates, $58,375,360.

FRUIT MARKET

By Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—Fancy apples, $2.25; common, 60c; fancy pears, $2.25; persimmons, 50@65c; navel oranges, $1.25@2.50; seedlings, 75c@$1.50; Mexican limes, $3.00@4.50; common California lemons, $1.25@1.75; good to choice, $1.75@2.50; fancy, $2.75@3.50; bananas $1.00@3.50; pineapples, $3.00@3.50; Persian dates, 6c.

Dried Fruit Prices

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—There is no improvement in the demand for evaporated apples and quotations are slightly easier; fancy are held at 10½@11½c; choice, 9¾@10c; prime, 8@8½c; 1906 fruit at 7@11c. Prunes are firm on bullish reports from the coast. Spot quotations range from 5¼@16c for California fruit and from 7@7¾c for Oregons up to 50s to 30s. Apricots are unchanged with choice quoted at 12@12½c; extra choice, 12½@13½c; fancy, 13@13½c; extra fancy, 14@14¼c. Raisins are quiet, with loose muscatels at 7@7¼c; seeded, 7@9¼c; London layers, $1.70@1.80.

Metal Market

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—There were no important features in the metal market today and business was quiet in the absence of cables. Tin was weak at $26.00@26.50. Copper was quiet and unchanged, with lake quoted at $13.62½@13.67½; electrolytic, $13.50@13.75; casting, $13.25@13.50. Lead was unchanged at $3.60@3.70. Spelter quiet at $4.30@4.35. Iron was quiet and unchanged.

San Francisco Mining Stocks

By Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4—Following were the official closing quotations:

Alpha Con	5	Gould & Curry	15
Andes	15	Hale & Norcross	47
Belcher	29	Mexican	45
Best & Belcher	68	Occidental Con	16
Caledonia	27	Ophir	122½
Challenge Con	19	Overman	7
Chollar	14	Potosi	7
Confidence	60	Savage	43
Con Cal & Va	63	Sierra Nevada	43
Con Imperial	2	Silver Hill	48
Crown Point	27	Union Con	6
Exchequer	20	Yellow Jacket	167½

Sugar and Coffee

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Sugar—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3.42c; centrifugal 96 test, 3.92c; molasses sugar, 3.17c; refined, steady; crushed, 5.60c; powdered, 5.00c; granulated, 4.90c.

Coffee futures closed quiet, net unchanged to 5 points lower; sales were reported of 3500 bags, including January 5.60c; March, 5.80c; May, 5.90c. Spot coffee quiet; No. 7 Rio, 6 1-16c; No. 4 Santos, 8c; mild coffee, quiet; Cordova, 9½@12c.

Cotton and Wool

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Cotton futures opened steady and closed quiet.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 4.—Wool, steady; medium grades combing and clothing, 21@23c; light fine, 19@20c; heavy fine, 15@16c; tub washed, 26@33c.

San Francisco Shipping

By Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—Arrived—Steamers Santa Barbara from Port Los Angeles; George W. Elder, F. A. Kilburn, Despatch, from San Pedro.

Sailed—Steamers Preble and Saturn for Magdalena bay.

CARLOAD SHIPMENTS OF CITRUS FRUITS

Shipments of oranges and lemons from Los Angeles Thursday, January 2, reported by the California Fruit Growers' exchange, were 59 carloads of oranges and 6 carloads of lemons.

Total to date there were shipped 2428 carloads, of which 593 were lemons.

Last season to date there were shipped 1754 carloads, of which 409 were lemons.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese

By Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—Fancy creamery butter, 33c; seconds, 26c; fancy dairy, 36c; seconds, 24c. New cheese, 14@14½c; eastern, 18½c; Young America, 14½@15c. Ranch eggs, 35½c; store, 30c; eastern, 21c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—On the produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 20@29c; dairies, 18@25c. Eggs steady at mark, cases included, 20@23c; firsts, 23c; prime firsts, 24c; extras, 26c. Cheese, steady, 11½@13c.

PRICES OF METALS IN NEW YORK MARKET

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Copper, lake $13.62½@13.87½, electrolytic $13.50@13.62½, casting $13.25@13.50.

Lead, $3.60@3.70.

Tin, $26.25@27.

Silver, 55⅝c.

MINING QUOTATIONS

Following are the quotations of yesterday as furnished by the Los Angeles-Nevada Mining Stock exchange:

	Bid.	Ask.
CALIFORNIA—		
California Hills (per M)	3.50	.01
(Johnnie district)—		
Johnnie Consolidated	.14½	.14¾
NEVADA—		
(Tonopah district)—		
Montana	1.70	1.80
Tonopah of Nevada	4.60	...
(Other districts)—		
Clark Copper	.07½	.08½
Nevada Searchlight	.00¾	.01¼
Pittsburg Silver Peak	1.40	....
Searchlight Parallel	.02½	.03
Searchlight Western	.01	.01½
(Goldfield district)—		
Combination Fraction	.61	.62
Daisy	.90	.92
Florence	3.80	3.90
Goldfield Con. Mines	4.42½	...
Great Bend	.23	...
Jumbo Extension	.57	.59
Sandstorm	.20	...
Atlanta	.26½	.28½
Blue Bull	.16	.18
Diamondfield Triangle	.07¼	.07½
Florence Extension	.14	...
Yellow Tiger	.13	...
Black Butte Bonanza	.02	.03
Black Butte Extension	.03½	...
Eureka	.01½	...
General Washington	.01	.01½
Milltown Fraction	.02	.02¼
(Bullfrog district)—		
Bonnie Clare	.08	.10¼
Mayflower Consolidated	...	.17
Montgomery Mountain	.03	...
Tramp Consolidated	.17	...
Ligo Harris (per M)	8.50	9.00

Morning Sales

Milltown Fraction—5000 at 2c; 7000 at 2¼c.
Johnnie—1000 at 14½c; 2000 at 14¾c.
Eureka—1000 at 1½c.
Consolidated—200 at $4.40; 100 at $4.45.
Daisy—100 at 90c; 400 at 91c.
Jumbo Extension—100 at 58c.
Fraction—700 at 59c; 100 at 60c; 100 at 61c.
Ligo Harris—2000 at $8.50 pe rM.

Yesterday Afternoon Sales

Fraction—8400 at 61c; 2600 at 62c; 800 at 63c; 200 at 64c; 200 at 65c.
Florence—100 at $3.77½ (S. 10).
Johnnie—2000 at 14¾c; 2000 at 15c (B. 30).
Jumbo Extension—100 at 57c; 100 at 58c.
Milltown Fraction—1000 at 2¼c.
Johnnie Consolidated—4000 at 15c.
Daisy—200 at 88c; 300 at 89c.

CHICAGO GRAIN

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—The wheat market ruled strong all day, the opening was firm because of light receipts in the northwest and a marked decrease in the world's shipments as compared with last year. A slight decline, due to realizing sales followed the opening, but later a rush of bullish news caused a recurrence of the strong feeling. Large clearances, higher prices for cash wheat and increased demand for export and the report that the northwestern millers are bidding high for hard winter wheat were the chief factors. It was also reported that the grain crops of Norway were below normal on account of the excessive rains last summer. May wheat opened ¼@⅜c higher at $1.07⅛@1.07¼, sold between $1.06⅝@1.08½, and closed strong at $1.08½@1.08¾.

The corn market opened firm because of wet weather throughout the belt, but heavy selling by holders soon brought a decline. On the slump, however, renewed speculative demand and the strength of wheat brought about a firmer feeling and the market soon advanced to a level slightly above the close of yesterday. May opened ¼@⅜c to ⅝@½c higher at 61⅜@61½c, sold between 60¾@61½c and closed firm at 61¾@61½c.

The oats market was slow all day. Trading was very light. May opened ½c higher at 54⅞c, sold between 54½@55c and closed at 55c.

The run of hogs, both here and at other western packing houses, was very heavy and the provisions market was under considerable selling pressure fro mpackers. Prices however ruled firm for the greater part of the day because of the strength of grain and on a good outside investment demand. At the close May pork was 10c higher, lard was up 2½@5c, ribs were 2½@5c up.

Market Ranges

Wheat—May, $1.08¼@1.08⅝; July, $1.00¼; Sept. 96¼@96⅞c.

Corn—May, 61⅜c; July 60½c; Sept. 60c.

Oats—May, old, 55c; new, 53½c; July, new, 46⅜c; old, 48⅝c.

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, firm; No. 2 spring wheat, $1.08@1.12; No. 3, $1.00@1.11; No. 2 red, $1.00½@1.02¼; No. 2 corn, 59½@60c; No. 2 yellow, 62@63½c; No. 2 oats, 51c; No. 3 white, 49@51c; No. 2 rye, 80c; fair to choice malting barley, 92c@$1.00; No. 1 northwestern flaxseed, $1.21½; prime timothy seed, $4.35@4.40; clover, contract grades, $16.75; short ribs, sides, loose, $6.62½@7.25; mess pork, per bbl., $12.75@12.80; lard, per 100 lbs., $7.30@7.92½; short clear sides, boxed, $6.87½@7.25; whisky, basis of high wines, $1.35.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shpmts.
Flour, bbls	42,400	25,500
Wheat, bush	54,000	34,700
Corn, bush	114,500	180,900
Oats, bush	45,400	239,200
Rye, bush	8,000	3,900
Barley, bush	57,800	16,400

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—Wheat, club, 83@84c; bluestem, 85c; valley, 83@84c; red, 81@82c.

TACOMA, Jan. 4.—Wheat, 2c higher; bluestem, 85c; club, 83c; red, 81c.

SAN PEDRO SHIPPNG

By Associated Press.

SAN PEDRO, Jan. 4.—The power launch Yoyoku Sai, manned by four Japanese, arrived this morning from San Francisco to enter the fishing trade.

The steamer J. B. Stetson, Capt. Bonnifield, arrived five days from Aberdeen via San Francisco, with passengers and 750,000 feet of lumber consigned to Southern California and San Pedro Lumber companies.

The steamer Sybil Marston, Capt. Jorgensen, completed the discharge of her lumber cargo for the National Lumber company and cleared for Grays Harbor via San Francisco to reload.

The steamer Fair Oaks, Capt. Peterson, arriving six and a half days from Grays Harbor, will discharge 850,000 feet of lumber for the Blinn-Robinson Lumber company.

The steamer Shna Yak, Capt. Hutton, cleared today for Tacoma via San Francisco to load a return cargo of lumber.

The schooner Caroline, Capt. Westerdahl, will sail tomorrow for Umpqua river to lay up.

The schooner Ensign, Capt. Millberg, has finished discharging a lumber cargo and is tied up awaiting orders.

The schooners J. W. Clise and Andy Mahoney will finish discharging cargoes tonight.

Pacific Coast Trade

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—Flour—Family extras, $5.40@6; bakers' extras, $5.40@5.65; Oregon and Washington, $4.75@5.25.

Wheat—Shipping, $1.62½@1.67½; milling, $1.70@1.75.

Barley—Feed, $1.52½@1.55; brewing, $1.62½@1.67½; chevalier, nominal.

Oats—Red, $1.75@2; white, $1.50@1.52½; black, $1.75@3.00.

Millstuffs—Middlings, $31@32; rolled barley, $35@36; oat meal, $4.10;; oat groats, $4.30; rolled oats, $40.

Hay—Wheat, $12@17.50; wheat and oat, $12@15.50; oat, wild, $10@13.50; oat, tame, $12@15; alfalfa, $9@14; straw, 45@55c.

Beans—Pink, $3.10@3.20; lima, $4.75@5⅛ small white, $3.40@3.50, large white, $3.20@3.40.

Potatoes—Early Rose, 75c@$1.25; river Burbanks, $1.25@1.50; Salinas Burbanks, $1.75@2.25; Merced sweets, $1.90@2.10.

Onions—Silverskins, 3@7c; pickles, 10@15c.

Various—Green peas, 6@12½c; string beans, 4@6c; egg plant, 50c@$2; green peppers, 75c@$1.40; asparagus, 4@6c.

Receipts—Flour, 8330; potatoes, 940; bran, 40; hay, 180; hides, 27; wine, 11,400.

Wig Makers Win Strike

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The wig makers of New York last night celebrated a double event—the recognition of their union and the winning of the first strike of the year.