

Only Small Lots Are Coming Into Market.

Shearing Delayed by Rain

Oregon Woolgrowers' Association Fixes Dates for Annual Wool Sales in the Eastern Counties.

Wool is coming along in small quantities, shearing having been delayed by the cold weather.

Eastern Oregon wool-growers have agreed upon the dates for the wool sales in that section, and as little or no contracting has been done this year, practically the entire Eastern Oregon clip is expected to be offered for sale on the dates fixed.

The schedule was also submitted to Charles H. Green, the buyer of S. Koshland & Co., of Boston, as a representative of the other wool buyers and found satisfactory to him.

Penetration—May 28 and 29; June 7; Hepper—May 28 and 29; June 14; Shinko—June 10 and 11; June 28; July 1.

Shearing of mutton sheep has been under way for some time in the Yakima country and a few days ago the first lot of it was forwarded to the East.

But Steamer Tonight Will Bring a Full Assortment From the South.

The produce market was a small affair yesterday. The street was scantily supplied and will probably have less to offer today.

Oats are being offered more freely from points in the valley which have heretofore shipped to San Francisco.

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City Buyers Stocked Up Well Wednesday and Keep Off the Street.

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The butter market is very firm and complete of shortage are general.

Potato Buying Is Active.

The potato market was active yesterday, with good buying in most of the producing sections.

Bank Clearances of the leading cities of the Northwest yesterday were:

Portland Clearings, Balance, \$1,308,533; Seattle, \$1,308,533; Tacoma, \$1,308,533; Spokane, \$1,308,533.

Wheat—Cush, 75c; bluestem, 76c; Valley, 77c; 10c; 11c.

Flour—Patent, \$4.15; straight, \$3.90; extra, \$3.75; whole wheat flour, \$3.50.

Butter—Extra creamery, 25c; creamery, 24c; packed, 23c; 21c; 20c.

Vegetables, Fruits, Etc. DOMESTIC FRUITS—Apples, common, 5c; 4c; 3c; 2c; 1c.

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BROKERS TAKE REST. Dullness Again Prevails in Stock Market.

MONEY CONDITIONS EASIER. Small Contest at the Opening Between Bears and Bulls, but With Little Result—Fears of Western Railroad Strike.

NEW YORK, March 28.—There was a rather desultory contest waged between the opposing elements in the speculation for a small part of the stock exchange session today.

When it was demonstrated that neither side was gaining any marked advantage, the professional element which had been carrying on the contest practically abandoned it.

The professional testing operations seemed to be largely on the short side of the market, and the resistance which the efforts encountered was attributed to the activities of the party of bankers and capitalists said to have been organized for the purpose of supporting the market and supposed to be responsible for the rally in Tuesday's market.

Active operations were in progress at the subcommittee today in the working out of the Treasury relief measure for the money market.

When the stock market advanced early, Great Northern preferred was a conspicuous leader on account of a decision of the Minnesota Supreme Court in favor of the legality of its 600,000 stock issue.

Reports of a deadlock between officials and operatives of Western railroads, which threatened a strike, had a depressing effect on the market and helped to the heavy price at the end of the day was on small volume of transactions.

ADAMS EXPRESS—Sales, High, Low, Bid, Ask. Adams Express, \$1,200 85 1/2 85 1/2 85 1/2.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO. SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market yesterday.

FRUIT—Apples, choice, 25c; common, 15c; 10c; 8c; 6c; 5c; 4c; 3c; 2c; 1c.

POTATOES—Early Rose, \$1.60; 1.50; 1.40; 1.30; 1.20; 1.10; 1.00; 90c; 80c; 70c; 60c; 50c; 40c; 30c; 20c; 10c.

ONIONS—Yellow, \$2.50; 2.40; 2.30; 2.20; 2.10; 2.00; 1.90; 1.80; 1.70; 1.60; 1.50; 1.40; 1.30; 1.20; 1.10; 1.00; 90c; 80c; 70c; 60c; 50c; 40c; 30c; 20c; 10c.

Wool at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, March 28.—Wool—Steady. Medium grades, combed and clothing, 14 1/2c; light fine, 16c; heavy fine, 16 1/2c; tub, 17c.

NEW YORK, March 28.—There was an advance of 60/100 in the London tin market with spot closing at 118 1/2 and futures at 118 1/2.

Copper was lower in the London market, being about half of yesterday's price with spot quoted at 87 1/2 and futures at 87 1/2.

Locally the market was dull and more or less unsettled, with a few scattered transactions.

Iron was lower in the English market, with spot quoted at 119 3/4. Locally prices were unchanged, ranging from 60c to 65c, according to grade.

Spelter was unchanged at 25 1/2 in the London market and at 25 1/2 in the local market.

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SELLING TO RAIN. Good Crop Weather Weakens Wheat Market.

CHICAGO, March 28.—The wheat market opened weak today because of the weather report showing that rain had fallen during the night in Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and the Ohio Valley.

Green-Bug Reports Later Cause a Rally and the Closing Is Steady—Oats at the Top Point.

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SHARP DECLINE IN TONOPAH. Goldfield Stock Also Reported on Decline at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—(Special.)—The Tonopah call showed a decided decline in many stocks. Midway, which sold at \$1.75 yesterday, was bid for at \$1.72 1/2.

CHICAGO, March 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 3500; 10c higher. Hogs, \$5.00; 10c higher. Sheep, \$4.00; 10c higher.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET. Prices Current Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

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