BIG TRADE IN EGGS

Local and Puget Sound Demand Very Strong.

NOT MANY LEFT TO STORE

Prospects Are for a Smaller Quantity Held in Reserve Than Usual—Advance in Barley Market.

Egg storing is being carried on more actively now, but operations are not yet on a commercial basis, and it is probable the flush season may pass without the customary amount of stock being put away. The current consumption here and in the North is taking care of nearly all the receipts and leaving but a comparatively small surplus for cooler use.

Receipts are heavier than at any time this season, but the demand is good and prices are on a firm basis. The general quotation yesterday was 21 cents, with 20 and 20½ cents quoted on large lots. There were good orders in from Seattle and other Puget Sound cities and it is believed the North will continue to want Oregon eggs for a long time to come. The Spring shipments to Alaska will start in the coming month and it will take many cases, besides those now stored at Seattle, to fill these orders. After that will be the regular market buying, which, in the case of Seattle, will no doubt be considerably increased during the Exposition months. This shipping demand, in connection with the steady requirements of the Portland market, can be counted on to absorb all the eggs produced in territory tributary to this city. For this reason it cannot be figured out how eggs will be any cheaper than they are now.

At the same time, there is no chance for prices to get very high, as the Eastern market will keep values in check at this end.

Local dealers are in receipt of letters now from Eastern storage operators offering them Aprils delivered any time during the season at the market. As storing in the East is at an average price 2 to 3 cents higher than last year, it is evident the eggs will have to be taken out at a corresponding advance.

GOVERNMENT POTATO STATISTICS.

Official Figures Regarding Average Farm Values and Market Prices.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture the average value received by farmers for potatoes December 1, 1907, was 61.7c per bushel and on the first of each month during 1908 the value was as follows, beginning with January, 63.4c, 69c, 70.4c, 72.3c, 71.3c, 77.8c, 83.6c, 78c, 74.8c, 69.2c and 70.6c. The value January 1 of this year was 72c, February 1, 73.3c and March 1, 80c.

Statistics regarding the price of potatoes at New York and St. Louis, as compiled by the department, for various periods, are given below:

Date.	New York, 180 lbs.	St. Louis, Per bu.
March, 1902	$2.25@2.50	$0.76 @ .90
March, 1903	1.75@2.12	.50 @ .53
March, 1904	2.75@3.50	.94 @ .97
March, 1905	1.00@2.00	.31 @ .38
March, 1906	1.50@3.00	.51 @ .70
March, 1907	1.50@2.50	.43 @ .55
1908—		
January	1.75@2.50	.61 @ .69
February	2.00@3.25	.68 @ .73
March	2.00@2.75	.68 @ .75
April	2.15@2.75	.70 @ .78
May	2.00@2.75	.75 @ .80
June	2.15@3.50	.80 @1.35
July	1.50@3.75	.90 @1.10
August	1.85@3.00	.60 @ .85
September	1.50@2.75	.62½@ .90
October	1.50@3.00	.65 @ .75
November	1.50@3.00	.68 @ .74
December	1.90@2.87	.70 @ .75
1909—		
January	1.90@3.00	.73 @ .83
February	1.75@3.00	.80 @ .93
March 5	1.90@3.00	.90 @ .92

HIGHER PRICES ASKED FOR BARLEY

Some California Inquiry for Bluestem Wheat.

All the grain markets were strong yesterday. Barley was in particularly good demand and up to $32 was quoted on feed.

There was some inquiry from California for milling bluestem at $1.20, but holders held out strong for $1.22½@1.25. Better prices prevail in the interior even than here, as is shown by a sale of bluestem at Spokane at the equivalent of $1.27 at tidewater. Holders of f. a. q. bluestem are asking $1.17½@1.18.

Bid and asked prices at the Board of Trade were:

	Bid.	Asked.
WHEAT.		
March	$1.10	$1.12
April	1.10½	1.13
OATS.		
March	1.95	1.97½
April	1.97½	2.00
BARLEY.		
March	1.45	1.50
April	1.50	1.52½

Receipts in cars were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows:

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
March 27-28	11	4	15	1	9
March 29	4	2	8	3	19
Total last week	44	17	33	10	70

NEW POTATOES FROM CALIFORNIA

Rhubarb of Fine Quality Received From Walla Walla.

The steamer brought up a good miscellaneous lot of California produce yesterday, which cleaned up well. Among the shipments were new California potatoes, which sold at 7@8 cents a pound. White asparagus was a shade lower at 7@8 cents and green was quoted at 12½ cents.

Walla Walla rhubarb of fine quality is offering at $2 per box. Spinach is lower, with most sales at $1 per box.

POLK COUNTY MOHAIR POOL.

Sale Will Be Held at Dallas, Tuesday, April 13.

DALLAS, Or., March 30.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the Polk County Mohair Association held here the date for the sale of the mohair pool was set for Tuesday, April 13. The size of the pool this year cannot yet be estimated, as a number of the mohair men of the county have not yet reported their fleeces.

Active Trade in Butter.

City creamery butter moved actively at the new price of 32 cents. Some outside creamery was offered at 30 cents and one or two brands were held at 32. California butter was quoted at 29@30 cents.

There were good receipts of poultry, but the demand was strong for all descriptions and prices were very firm.

McNeff Buys Olequa Hops.

No business was reported yesterday in the Oregon hop market, but McNeff Bros., of this city, bought 150 bales from George Bertran, of Olequa, at private terms. This purchase entirely cleans out the Olequa section.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,971,347	$122,207
Seattle	1,501,982	173,237
Tacoma	758,194	49,664
Spokane	935,224	66,460

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Vegetables and Fruit.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, 65c@$2.50 per box; Malaga grapes, $9 per barrel.

POTATOES—Buying price, $1.40@1.50 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2½c per pound; new California, 7@8c per pound.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1 per sack; carrots, 90c; parsnips, $1.50; beets, $1.75; horseradish, 10c per pound.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2@2.75 per box; lemons, $1.75@4; grape fruit, $4.25@4.75 per box; bananas, 5½@6c per pound; pineapples, $2.75@3.25 per dozen; tangerines $1.75 per box.

ONIONS—Oregon, buying price, $1.75 per hundred.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 65@85c doz.; asparagus, 7@12½c per pound; beans, 25c; cabbage, 3@4c per pound; cauliflower $2.50; celery, $4.75 per crate; cucumbers, $1.50@3 per dozen; lettuce, hot house, $1.50@1.65 per box; lettuce, head, 85c per dozen; onions, 40@50c per dozen; parsley, 35c per dozen; peas, 15c per pound; radishes, 25c per dozen; rhubarb, $1.50@2 per box; spinach, $1; tomatoes, $1@2.50.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem milling, $1.22½@1.25; club, $1.10; red Russian, $1.08; bluestem, shipping, $1.17½@1.18; Valley, $1.10.

FLOUR—Patents, $5.65 per barrel; straights, $4.65; exports, $4.10; Valley, $5.10; graham, 40s, $5.20; whole wheat, quarters, $5.40.

OATS—No. 1 white, $39@40 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26@26.50 per ton; middlings, $33; shorts, $28@29; chop, $20@25; rolled barley, $31@32.50.

BARLEY—Feed, $31@32 per ton.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $13@15 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $16@18; clover, $12@13; alfalfa, $14.50@15; grain hay, $13@14; cheat, $12.50@14.50; vetch, $13.50@14.50.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—City creamery, extras, 32c; fancy outside creamery, 30@32c per lb.; California, 29@30c; store, 18@20c. (Butter fat prices average 1½ cents per pound under regular butter prices.)

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 20@21c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 16@16½c; broilers, 24@25c; fryers, 18@20c; roosters, old, 10@11c; young, 14@15c; ducks, 20@22½c; geese, 10c; turkeys, 18@19c; squabs, $2.50@3 per dozen.

CHEESE—Fancy cream twins, 17@17½c per lb.; full cream triplets, 17@17½c; full cream, Young America, 18@18½c.

VEAL—Extras, 10@11c per pound; ordinary, 7@8c; heavy, 5c.

PORK—Fancy, 9½@10c per lb.; large, 8@8½c.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 8½c per lb.; peaches, 7½@8c; prunes, Italians, 5¾@6¼c; prunes, French, 4@6c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white fancy, 50-lb. boxes, 6¼c; dates, 7¼@7½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 95c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12¾@16c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 12@13c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 15c; pecans, 7c; almonds, 13@14c; chestnuts, Italian, 11c; peanuts, raw, 5¾@6c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 90c per dozen.

SUGAR—Granulated, $6.05; extra C, $5.55; golden C, $5.45; fruit and berry sugar, $6.05; plain bag, $5.85; beet granulated, $5.85; cubes (barrel), $6.45; powdered (barrel), $6.30. Terms: On remittances within 15 days, deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ⅛c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $13 per ton, $1.90 per bale; half ground, 100s, $7.50 per ton; 50s, $8 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 6¼c; large white, 5¼c; Lima, 5c; pink, 3¾c; bayou, 4c; Mexican red, 5¾c.

Provisions.

BACON—Fancy, 21½c per pound; standard, 18c; choice, 17c; English, 15½@16½c; strips, 13½c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 12½c; smoked, 13½c; short clear backs, heavy dry salted, 12½c; smoked, 13½c; Oregon exports, dry salt, 13½c; smoked, 14½c.

HAMS—10 to 13 lbs., 14c; 14 to 16 lbs., 14c; 18 to 20 lbs., 14c; hams, skinned, 14c; picnics, 9½c; cottage roll, 11c; shoulders, 11c; boiled hams, 19@20c; boiled picnics, 17c.

LARD—Kettle rendered: 10s, 14½c; 5s, 14¾c; Standard pure: 10s, 13½c; 5s, 13¾c. Choice: 10s, 12¾c; 5s, 12¾c. Compound: 10s, 9½c; 5s, 9¾c.

SMOKED BEEF—Beef tongues, each, 60c; dried beef sets, 17c; dried beef outsides, 16c; dried beef insides, 19c; dried beef knuckles, 18c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels: Pigs' feet, $13; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; pigs' tongues, $19.50.

MESS MEATS—Beef, specials, $12 per barrel; plate, $14 per barrel; family, $14 per barrel; pork, $20 per barrel; brisket, $22 per barrel.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1909 contracts, 10@10c per pound; 1908 crop, 7@7½c; 1907 crop, 3@4½c; 1906 crop, 1½@2c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, contracts, 16@18c per pound; Valley, 16@17c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 23@23½c, Portland, per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16@16½c lb.; dry kip, No. 1, 14@15c pound; dry calfskin, 17½@18c pound; salted hides, 9@9½c; salted calfskin, 14@15c pound; green, 1c less.

FURS—No. 1 skins: Angora goat, $1 to $1.25; badger, 25@50c; bear, $5@20; beaver, $6.50@8.50; cat, wild, 60c@$1; cougar, perfect head and claws, $3@10; fisher, dark, $7.50@11; pale, $4.90@7; fox, cross, $3 to $5; fox, gray, 60c to 80c; fox, red, $2.25 to $4; fox, silver, $35 to $100; lynx, $10@15; marten, dark, $8@12; mink, 75c@$4.50; muskrat, 10@15c; otter, $7; raccoon, 45c@60c; sea otter, $1@2.50, as to size; skunks, 50@75c; civet cat, 10@15c; wolf, $2@3; coyote, 70c@$1.10; wolverine, dark, $3@5; wolverine, pale, $2@2.50.

CASCARA BARK—Per pound, 4½c.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Current Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

There was an easier tendency in the cattle market yesterday. The demand was backward and the supply more than sufficient. The result was a weak market. Prices as quoted were no lower, but dealers found some difficulty in moving stock. The present quiet spell is regarded as only temporary and the market is expected to pick up soon unless receipts prove too large. Hogs were in good demand. Top grade stock was quoted strong and stockers and feeders moved well. Sheep held firm. Only a few Spring lambs have been received and these sold at 9@10 cents a pound. Receipts yesterday were 114 cattle and 287 hogs.

Recent representative sales were: 26 steers, average 1145 lbs., $5.05; 1 bull, 2035 lbs., $3.50; 6 steers, average 908 lbs., $5; 1 cow, average 1075 lbs., $4.50; 5 cows, average 989 lbs., $4; 1 bull, average 1810 lbs., $2.50; 2 medium cows, average 1100 lbs., $3.75; 1 cow, average 875 lbs., $2.50; 20 Spring lambs, average 46 lbs., $9; 27 ewes, average 112 lbs., $5.25; 31 lambs, average 73 lbs., $6.50; 20 hogs, average, 92 lbs., $6.50; 23 hogs, average 180 lbs., $7.25; 1 cow, 950 lbs., $4; 1 bull, 1220 lbs., $3.25; 23 cows, average 1275 lbs., $3.15; 26 steers, average 1275 lbs., $5.50; 21 hogs, average 117 lbs., $7; 16 hogs, stockers, average 72 lbs., $6.50; 12 hogs, stockers, average 78 lbs., $6.50.

The quotations of the Portland Livestock Exchange were as follows:

CATTLE—Top steers, $5.25@5.50; fair to good, $4.75@5.00; common to medium, $3.25@4.50; cows, top, $4.25; fair to good, $3.50@4.00; common to medium, $2.50@3.50; calves, top, $5.00@5.50; heavy, $3.50@4.00; bulls and stags, fat, $3.00@3.50; common, $2.00@2.75.

HOGS—Best, $7.25@7.50; fair to good, $6.75@7.00; stockers, $5.50@6.50; China fats, $6.75.

SHEEP—Top wethers, $5@5.75; fair to good, $4.50@4.75; ewes, ½c less on all grades; lambs, top, $6.50@6.75; fair to good, $6.00@6.50.

Eastern Livestock Markets.

SOUTH OMAHA, March 30.—Cattle—Receipts 7000; market, steady, 5c to 10c lower. Western steers, $3.50@5.65; range cows and heifers, $2.80@4.50; canners, $2.25@3.25; stockers and feeders, $3@5.50; calves, $3.50@7.50; bulls and stags, $3.25@4.85.

Hogs—Receipts, 17,000; market, 10c lower. Heavy, $6.60@6.75; mixed, $6.55@6.60; light, $6.40@6.60; pigs, $4.50@6; bulk of sales, $6.50@6.65.

Sheep—Receipts, 11,000; market, slow to 10c lower. Yearlings, $6.25@6.40; wethers, $4.25@6.25; ewes, $3@5.80; lambs, $7@9.

KANSAS CITY, March 30.—Cattle — Receipts, 11,000; market, slow. Native steers, $5@6.75; native cows and heifers, $2.75@6; stockers and feeders, $4.75@5.60; bulls, $3.25@4.80; calves, $3.75@7.50; Western steers, $4.90@6.50; Western cows, $3.25@5.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 20,000; market, weak to 5c lower. Bulk of sales, $6.50@6.85; heavy, $6.75@6.90; packers and butchers, $6.55@6.85; light, $6.40@6.70; pigs, $4.75@5.90.

Sheep—Receipts, 9000; market, strong. Muttons, $5.25@6.25; lambs, $6.25@7.80; range wethers, $4.50@7.25; fed ewes, $3.50@5.90.

CHICAGO, March 30.—Cattle—Receipts, estimated, 3000; market, steady. Beeves, $4.65@7.10; Texas steers, $4.40@5.50; Western steers, $4@5.50; stockers and feeders, $3.40@5.50; cows and heifers, $1.90@5.60; calves, $5.75@8.

Hogs—Receipts, estimated, 17,000; market, 5c lower. Light, $6.45@6.90; mixed, $6.60@7.05; heavy, $6.70@7.10; rough, $6.70@6.80; good to choice heavy, $6.80@7.10; pigs, $5.50@6.45; bulk of sales, $6.80@7.

Sheep—Receipts, estimated, 14,000; market, steady to 10c lower. Native, $3.60@6.25; Western, $3.75@6.40; yearlings, $6.20@7.25; lambs, native, $5.75@8.10; Western, $5.75@8.25.

Boston Wool Market.

BOSTON, March 30.—There is less activity in imported supplies in the local wool market. Manufacturers are said to be well supplied with raw material.

The general firm tone of the wool market is still much in evidence, especially in the combing grades. Sales are small, about 25,000 pounds of the new Arizona going at 25c.

ADVANCE IS HALTED

Profit-Taking Movement in Stock Market.

COPPER SHARES ARE HEAVY

St. Paul Is Favorably Influenced by the Completion of the Pacific Coast Extension—Bonds Are Steady.

NEW YORK, March 30.—The speculative advance came to pause in the stock market today and there was a general disposition to take a survey of the position and seek light on the sources and motives of the sudden activity which sprang up on Saturday and continued yesterday.

The movement in Erie had the advantage of conforming to the expected early return to Wall street of E. H. Harriman, as he is credited with a special interest in the fate of Erie. St. Paul was the next favorite of the supporters of the market, its rise following assertions that the Pacific Coast extension is practically completed and capable of early earning power.

Iron and steel stocks were affected to some extent in sympathy with the movement in the United States Steel stocks. The profit-taking sales were pushed steadily throughout the session.

The news factors relied on to influence stocks were mostly the same which were used yesterday, but with a waning influence.

The price of copper was marked up again in New York, but the copper and smelting stocks were heavy.

The estimated condition of the Winter wheat crop, coming from a private expert, gave a percentage disappointingly low, but the reservations accompanying the estimate left confidence unimpaired in the improving conditions of that crop.

Stocks were showing less response to the support at the close of the day than at any other time.

Bonds were steady. Total sales, par value, $3,860,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	26,100	74¾	73⅝	74
Am Car & Foun.	111,100	50⅞	50	50¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	110½
Am Cotton Oil	4,700	53⅜	52¼	52¾
Am Hd & Lt pf.	400	39½	39½	39½
Am Ice Securi	3,300	32⅜	32	32
Am Linseed Oil	300	15	15	14½
Am Locomotive	600	54	53½	53¾
do preferred	100	114⅛	114⅛	114¼
Am Smelt & Ref.	24,800	88⅛	88⅛	87⅛
do preferred	400	103⅞	103⅜	103⅜
Am Sugar Ref.	100	131⅝	131⅝	130½
Am Tobacco pf.	600	95½	95	95
Am Woolen	2,000	33⅛	32	32½
Anaconda Min Co.	2,200	45⅛	46⅛	45½
Atchison	11,700	106⅛	105⅝	106¼
do preferred	600	104⅛	104	103¾
Atl Coast Line	500	121½	120⅞	120¾
Balt & Ohio	17,600	112⅜	111½	111⅞
do preferred	900	94½	94¼	94½
Brook Rap Tran.	48,500	76¼	78⅝	75¼
Canadian Pacific	21,500	171½	170⅝	171
Central Leather	400	29	28⅝	28½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	101
Central of N J.	.....	.....	.....	235
Ches & Ohio	2,000	70	69½	69½
Chicago Gt West.	200	5¼	5⅛	5
Chicago & N W.	1,600	181½	181	181½
C, M & St Paul	20,400	148½	147⅝	147⅝
C, C, C & St L.	200	74½	74½	74¼
Colo Fuel & Iron	4,900	36¼	34⅝	35½
Colo & Southern	300	65	65	64½
do 1st preferred	200	83½	83½	82½
do 2d preferred	600	78⅝	78⅝	78
Consolidated Gas	7,500	139	138	138
Corn Products	500	18⅞	18⅝	18⅝
Del & Hudson	900	177⅝	176⅝	176⅝
D & R Grande	7,000	46½	45⅝	45⅞
do preferred	700	87⅞	87½	87½
Distillers' Securi	800	37⅜	36⅝	36½
Erie	26,900	29⅛	24⅝	28⅞
do 1st preferred	3,900	45	42¼	44½
do 2d preferred	700	35	33⅝	34½
General Electric	300	157¼	157	156½
Gt Northern pf.	7,800	145½	144⅝	145
Gt Northern Ore	1,200	68¼	67½	67¾
Illinois Central	1,100	145⅝	144⅝	144½
Interborough Met.	2,400	13⅞	12⅞	12½
do preferred	4,800	40	38	38
Int Paper	.....	.....	.....	9⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	50
Int Pump	1,800	39	38⅝	38½
Iowa Central	300	29⅞	29⅞	29
K C Southern	14,900	47⅞	46¼	46⅝
do preferred	4,400	74⅛	74	74
Louis & Nashville	1,300	133	131½	131¾
Minn & St L	700	57	55	55
M. St P & S S M.	100	144¼	144½	144
Missouri Pacific	31,000	72⅞	72	71½
Mo, Kan & Texas	12,600	42⅞	42¼	42⅛
do preferred	300	74	73⅝	73⅞
National Lead	5,000	82⅝	81	81¼
N Y Central	20,300	131	129¼	129½
N Y, Ont & West	3,600	47⅜	46⅞	46⅞
Norfolk & West	3,300	91	90¼	90⅞
North American	300	80	79⅝	79⅝
Northern Pacific	15,400	143⅝	142½	142½
Pacific Mail	300	33	32½	31½
Pennsylvania	5,800	133⅝	133⅜	133¼
People's Gas	2,800	112⅝	112⅜	112¼
P, C C & St L.	500	92½	92¼	92¼
Pressed Steel Car.	1,500	39	37⅞	38⅝
Pullman Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	171
Ry Steel Spring	800	39	39	38½
Reading	92,300	135⅛	134¼	134⅝
Republic Steel	*1,300	23	21½	22⅞
do preferred	2,800	74	73	73½
Rock Island Co.	4,100	25	24½	24⅝
do preferred	8,200	64⅞	64⅛	64
St L & S F 2 pf.	.....	.....	.....	38
St L Southwestern	800	24½	24	24
do preferred	1,000	57⅞	55¼	56⅝
Sloss-Sheffield	800	74½	73	73½
Southern Pacific	20,500	123	122⅛	122⅝
do preferred	1,500	125	124⅝	124
Southern Railway	3,800	26	25⅛	25⅝
do preferred	1,500	64½	64	63⅝
Tenn Copper	300	42	41½	41½
Texas & Pacific	800	33⅜	33	33
Tol, St L & West	1,700	52½	52	51⅞
do preferred	2,500	72⅞	72¾	72⅜
Union Pacific	78,700	184⅛	183⅜	183⅞
do preferred	1,200	95⅛	95	94⅞
U S Rubber	1,100	33	31	32
do 1st preferred	700	104⅛	103½	104
U S Steel	123,700	48⅜	46⅝	48
do preferred	4,400	113	113	112½
Utah Copper	1,800	44⅜	44¼	43
Va-Caro Chemical	12,100	45⅛	43⅝	44⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	115
Wabash	400	18⅜	18	17
do preferred	3,000	48	46⅝	46⅞
Westinghouse Elec	400	82½	82	82
Western Union	.....	.....	.....	66
Wheel & L. Erie	.....	.....	.....	9
Wisconsin Central	.....	.....	.....	48
Am Tel & Tel	5,900	132⅝	132¼	132⅝

Total sales for the day, 800,700 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	101½	N Y C G 3½s	93
do coupon	101½	North Pacific 3s.	74¼
U. S. 3s reg.	101	North Pacific 4s.	103
do coupon	101½	Union Pacific 4s.	102⅜
U S new 4s reg.	119	Wiscon Cent 4s.	94¾
do coupon	120½	Japanese 4s	85
D & R G 4s	97½		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, March 30.—Consols for money, 84 9-16; do for account, 84 11-16.

Anaconda	9¼	N. Y. Central	135
Atchison	108⅝	Norfolk & West	93¼
do pref	106½	do pref	90
Balt & Ohio	115	Ont & West	48¼
Can Pacific	175	Pennsylvania	68¼
Ches & Ohio	71⅛	Rand Mines	8⅛
Chi Grt West	5½	Reading	69
C. M. & S. P.	151	Southern Ry	26⅝
De Beers	12⅛	do pref	65½
D & R G	47	South Pacific	124⅛
do pref	89⅜	Union Pacific	188⅝
Erie	29⅝	do pref	97½
do 1st pf	44½	U. S. Steel	48⅛
do 2d pf	34	do pref	115
Grand Trunk	19⅝	Wabash	19
Ill Central	149	do pref	49
L & N	135½	Spanish 4s	95¾
Mo K & T	43⅜	Amal Copper	75¾

Money Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Money on call, easy, 1½@2 per cent; ruling rate, 2 per cent; closing bid, 1¾ per cent; offered at 1½ per cent.

Time loans, quiet and steady; 60 days, 2½ per cent; 90 days, 2½@2¾ per cent; six months, 2¾@3 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper closed at 3½@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8615@4.8625 for 60-day bills and at $4.8770 for demand.

Commercial bills—$4.85⅝@4.86.

Bar silver—50½c.

Mexican dollars—44c.

Government and railroad bonds—Steady.

LONDON, March 30.—Bar silver—Steady, 23¼d per ounce.

Money—2½@2¾ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2 per cent; three months' bills, 1⅝@1⅞ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30.—Silver bars—50½c.

Mexican dollars—[illegible]c.

Drafts—Sight, 4c; telegraph, 6c.

Sterling on London—60 days, $4.86¼; sight, $4.88.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, March 30. — Today's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund shows:

Available cash balances	$123,230,051
Gold coin and bullion	41,989,295
Gold certificates	46,875,910

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Evaporated apples quiet; fancy, 8¾@9¼c; choice, 7¼@7¾c; prime, 6@6¾c, and common to fair, at 5@6c.

Prunes are firmly held, with quotations ranging from 3¾c to 7½c for new crop California fruit up to 40-50s and from 6½c to 9c for Oregon fruit.

Apricots are in strong position; choice 9¼@10c; extra choice, 10@10¼c; fancy, 11½@13c.

Peaches are firm with choice quoted at 6@6¼c; extra choice, 6¼@6¾c, and fancy, 7@8½c.

Raisins are dull and more or less unsettled with loose muscatel quoted at 3½@4½c; choice to fancy seeded at 4¼@6¾c; seedless, 3¾@5½c, and London layers, $1.20@1.30.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Coffee futures closed today, net five points lower to five points higher. Sales, 28,000 bags, including March, 7.30c; April and May, 7.20c; July, 6.70c; September, 6.60c; October, 6.10c and December, 6.05@6.10c. Spot, steady; No. 7 Rio, 8⅝c; Santos No. 4, 9⅝c. Mild, steady; Cordova, 8¾@13c.

Sugar—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3.52c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.02c; molasses sugar, 3.27c. Refined, steady.

BUTTER PRICES ARE CUT

SEATTLE MARKET ADJUSTED TO PORTLAND QUOTATIONS.

Change Is Not Made Without Opposition—Potatoes Weak Under Heavy Receipts.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 30.—(Special.)—After a stormy session on the Dairy Produce Exchange this morning, prices on butter were cut 4 cents on local and 2 cents on California and Eastern. The new exchange price on local and Oregon butter is 32 cents, Eastern and California, 30 cents. Eastern storage was placed at 28 cents. Some of the big houses outside of the exchange refused to recognize the new price, but the supply of butter is so heavy here that it is likely that the drop will be general soon. Receipts included 315 cubes of California and 230 cases of Southern eggs.

The first native cucumbers were offered today at $2.75. Kennewick grass was offered at $2.25@2.50. Spinach dropped to $1.25 and local rhubarb is held at 6 to 7 cents.

The potato market was weaker on continued heavy receipts and the prospects of heavy shipments throughout the week. Few dealers are able to get above $33 and much stock is selling below $30.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, $1.40@1.75; sweets, $1.85@2.

Onions—$1.50@1.85 per cental.

Millstuffs—Bran, $28.50@30; middlings, $33.50@35.50.

Vegetables—Garlic, 9@10c; green peas, 4@5c; string beans, nominal; asparagus, 2@4c; tomatoes, 75c@$1.25; egg-plant, 20@25c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 26c; creamery seconds, 25½c; fancy dairy, 25c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $5@6; young, $9@12; broilers, small, $5@5.50; broilers, large, $6@7; fryers, $8@9; hens; $5@10; ducks, old, $5@6; young, $6@9.

Cheese—New, 14@15c; Young America, 14@14½c; Eastern, 17½c.

Eggs—Store, 22c; fancy ranch, 23½c.

Wool—South Plains and San Joaquin, 8@15c; Mountain, 6@10c; Nevada, 12@15c.

Hay—Wheat, $22.50@26; wheat and oats, $21@24; alfalfa, $14@17.50; stock, $11.50@16; straw, per bale, 60@85c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1.75; common, 60c; bananas, $1@3.50; limes, $8.50@9; lemons, choice, $3; commons, $1; oranges, $1.25@2.50; pineapples, $2@4.

Receipts—Flour, 2142 sacks; barley, 8445 centals; oats, 280 centals; beans, 1423 sacks; corn, 1230 centals; potatoes, 3315 sacks; bran, 200 sacks; hay, 390 tons; wool, 67 bales; hides, 870.

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, March 30.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	8½	Mont C & C	30
Allouez	38½	Nevada	19⅞
Amalgamated	73⅞	Old Dominion	50½
Ariz Com	39	Osceola	131
Butte Coal	24½	Parrot	32¾
Cal & Ariz	100¼	Quincy	80
Cal & Hecla	630	Shannon	14
Centennial	30	Tamarak	78
Copper Range	78½	Trinity	14
Daly West	10⅝	United Copper	12½
Domin Coal	15⅛	U. S. Mining	42⅝
Franklin	95	U. S. Oil	31½
Granby	10¼	Utah	42
Greene Cananea	23⅝	Victoria	4⅞
Isle Royale	6	Winona	5½
Mass Mining	10¼	Wolverine	145
Mohawk	62¼	North Butte	70½

NEW YORK, March 30.—Closing quotations:

Alice	175	Leadville Con	45
Brunswick Con	6	Little Chief	10
Com Tun stock	20	Mexican	68
do bonds	15	Ontario	375
C C & Va	65	Ophir	103
Horn Silver	65	Standard	140
Iron Silver	100	Yellow Jacket	62

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, March 30.—The London tin market was unchanged today with spot quoted at £132 17s 6d and futures at £133 17s 6d. Locally the market was quiet but higher at 29.00@29.50c.

There was a moderate advance in the London copper market, spot closing at £57 and futures at £57 13s 9d. The local market was firm with an advancing tendency. Lake was quoted at 12.87½@13.12½c; electrolytic, 12.50@12.75c and casting at 12.37½@12.62½c.

Lead was lower at £13 12s 6d in London. The local market was firm at 4.07½@4.10c.

Spelter was unchanged at £21 7s 6d in London. Locally the market was firm and a little higher at 4.77½@4.80½c.

The English iron market was unchanged at 46s 10½d for Cleveland warrants. Locally the market was quiet and unchanged.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, March 30.—Butter—Steady. Creameries, 22½@29½c; dairies, 20@25½c.

Eggs—Steady. Firsts, 19c; prime firsts, 20c.

Cheese—Firm. Daisies, 15¾@16c; twins, 15c; Young Americas, 15c.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Butter—Steady at a decline; creamery specials, 30@30½c; official, 30c; extras, 29½c; third to firsts, 21@28½c.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Firm.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet. Mid-uplands, 9.85c; mid-Gulf, 10.10c. No sales.

Futures closed steady. March, 9.57c; April, 9.50c; May, 9.51c; June, 9.40c; July, 9.42c; August, 9.36c; September and October, 9.26c; November and December, 9.23c; January, 9.19c.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, March 30.—Wool—Nominal. Medium grades, combing and clothing, 20@24c; light fine, 17@20½c; heavy fine, 10@17c; tub washed, 23@32c.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

Articles of Incorporation.

H. P. PALMER-JONES COMPANY—Incorporators, H. P. Palmer, Carl R. Jones and Otto J. Kraemer; capitalization, $10,000.

CAMPBELL LUMBER COMPANY—Incorporators, John K. Kollock, Frank E. Smith and M. A. Zollinger; capitalization, $700,000.

Marriage Licenses.

SAUER-LOGAN—Herman John Sauer, 24, city; Blanche Logan, 17, city.

KINNEY-SALMON—E. V. Kinney, over 21, city; Ivy Salmon, over 18, city.

DIGMAN-LAMBERT—Emanuel Digman, 24, city; Mary S. Lambert, 25, city.

SHEELY-DAILEY—E. H. Sheely, 23, city; Winifred M. Dailey, 21, city.

HERRON-SMITH—J. W. Herron, 46, city; Minnie Smith, 26, city.

HARLOW-HAWKINS—George N. Harlow, 28, Washougal, Wash.; Hazel Hawkins, 12, city.

Wedding and visiting cards. W. G. Smith & Co., Washington bldg., 4th and Wash.

Auto Owner Held for Trial.

SEATTLE, March 30.—C. B. Niblock, owner of the automobile that ran down and killed Mrs. Albert Thornton last Friday while trying to learn how to operate the machine, was held to answer for the woman's death by the Coroner's jury today.

DAMAGE TO CROP

Wheat Prices Temporarily Higher at Chicago.

BUT GAIN IS NOT HELD

Selling Late in the Day Carries the Market Downward—Condition of the Fall-Sown Crop.

CHICAGO, March 30.—A vast amount of bullish news was injected into the situation in the wheat pit today, consisting chiefly of crop damage reports. The market was heavy at the start because of the comparative weakness of the Liverpool market compared with the bulge here, but soon rallied on buying, inspired to some extent by a report of a local crop expert which showed that the Fall-sown crop of wheat has improved during the Winter in the Ohio River Valley, but depreciated materially in Missouri and Texas and to a less extent in Kansas and Oklahoma. Sentiment again became bearish during the final hour and the close was almost at the bottom. During the day May sold between $1.18 and $1.19¼, while July ranged between $1.05⅝ and $1.06¾@1.07. May closed at $1.18⅜@1.18½ and July at $1.05⅝@1.05¾.

Claims of an improved Eastern demand for the cash grain caused considerable firmness in corn early, but later a weaker tone developed. May closed at 66⅝c and July at 65⅝@65¾c.

Oats were rather weak the greater part of the session and closed at net losses of ⅛@¼c, with May at 54⅛c and July at 47⅛c.

Provisions were weak all day. At the close prices were 7½@10 to 20c lower compared with yesterday's close.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$1.19¼	$1.19¼	$1.18	$1.18½
July	1.06¼	1.07	1.05⅝	1.05⅝
Sept	.99⅛	1.00½	.99⅝	.99⅝
CORN.				
May	.66⅝	.67½	.66⅝	.66⅝
July	.66	.66⅝	.65⅝	.65⅝
Sept	.65½	.66	.65⅝	.65⅝
OATS.				
May	.54⅛	.54½	.54⅛	.54⅛
July	.47⅝	.47⅝	.47⅛	.47⅛
Sept	.39⅝	.39⅝	.39½	.39⅝
MESS PORK.				
May	17.77½	17.80	17.72½	17.72½
July	17.85	17.85	17.72½	17.72½
Sept	....	....	....	17.72½
LARD.				
May	10.07½	10.10	10.07½	10.07½
July	10.25	10.25	10.17½	10.17½
Sept	10.35	10.35	10.32½	10.32½
SHORT RIBS.				
May	9.37½	9.37½	9.27½	9.27½
July	9.50	9.50	9.40	9.42½
Sept	9.65	9.65	9.55	9.57½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Firm.

Rye—No. 2, 78@78½c.

Barley—Feed or mixing, 62@63c; fair to choice malting, 64@65½c.

Flax seed—No. 1 Southwestern, $1.57½; No. 1 Northwestern, $1.67½.

Timothy seed—$3.75.

Clover—$9.

Pork—Mess, per barrel, $17.65@17.70.

Lard—Per 100 pounds, $10.

Short ribs—Sides (loose), $8.75@9.20.

Sides—Short, clear (boxed), $9.50@9.62½.

Grain statistics:

Total clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 77,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 456,000 bushels, compared with 378,000 bushels the corresponding day a year ago. The world's visible supply, as shown by Bradstreet's, decreased 2,688,000 bushels. Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 36 cars; corn, 93 cars; oats, 80 cars; hogs, 31,000 head.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	29,700	18,700
Wheat, bushels	99,600	95,400
Corn, bushels	217,500	256,800
Oats, bushels	260,700	222,000
Rye, bushels	3,000	......
Barley, bushels	139,500	85,600

Grain and Produce at New York.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Flour—Receipts, 23,000 barrels. Exports, 6828 barrels; quiet but steady.

Wheat—Receipts, 80,400 bushels; spot, easy. No. 2 red, $1.25¾@1.26¾ elevator; $1.27 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, $1.25¾ f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard Winter, $1.24¾ f. o. b. afloat. On an opening decline of ⅛c, due to poor cables, there was active bull support which rallied the wheat market. It continued firm up to the last hour, when realizing caused a setback and left final prices ⅛c below last night. May closed $1.21; July $1.13¾.

Hops and hides—Dull.

Wool and petroleum—Quiet.

Changes in Available Supplies.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Special cable and telegraphic communications received by Bradstreets shows the following changes in available supplies as compared with previous account.

	Bushels.
Wheat, United States east of Rockies, decreased	843,000
Canada, decreased	145,000
Total, United States and Canada	988,000
Afloat and in Europe, decrease	1,700,000
Total American and European supply, decrease	2,688,000
Corn, United States and Canada, increase	17,000
Oats, United States and Canada, increase	50,000

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANISO, March 30.—Wheat—Firm.

Barley—Firm.

Spot quotatoisn—

Wheat—Shipping, $1.90@1.95; milling, $1.97½@2.02.

Barley—Feed, $1.47@1.50; brewing, $1.50@1.55.

Oats—Red, $1.55@2.05; white, $1.97½@2.12½; black, nominal.

Call board sales—

Wheat—No trading.

Barley—May, $1.47½; December, $1.28¼.

Corn—Large yellow, $1.67½@1.75.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, March 30.—Cargoes firm. Walla Walla, prompt shipment, at 40s 3d to 40s 6d; California, prompt shipment, 41s.

English country markets quiet. French country markets quiet.

LIVERPOOL, March 30.—Wheat—May, 8s 4½d; July, 8s 5⅝d; September, 8s ½d. Weather, rain.

Wheat at Seattle.

SEATTLE, March 30.—No milling quotations. Export wheat, bluestem, $1.15; red, $1.03; club, $1.05. Car receipts: Wheat, 1 car; oats, 1 car.

Wheat at Tacoma.

TACOMA, March 30.—Wheat—Milling bluestem, $1.22@1.24. Exports, bluestem, $1.15; club, $1.05; red, $1.02.

ISSUE NEW COLLEGE PAPER

Engineering Students at University of Oregon to Have Publication.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., March 30.—(Special.)—The Engineering Club of the University has decided to issue a monthly magazine. Each issue will contain an account of the work of the club and of the College of Engineering during the preceding month. Very often, practical investigations of new methods of different kinds of construction work engaged in by the students. Last year, a complete miniature Howe truss bridge was built in the class in bridgework. This will be reproduced in full. Articles will also be solicited from the faculty, men doing practical work in the field, and members of the Alumni, who are engineering graduates.

The publication will be entitled the "Oregon Engineer." Reuben Steelquist, a senior in electrical engineering, registered from Portland, will be editor, while Earl Marshall, another Portland boy, will be business manager. Arthur Moore, class '09, and Ferdinand Struck, class '11, have been appointed associate editors and George X. Riddle has been elected associate manager.

SHOOTS VICTIM IN BACK

Jean Corporell Deliberately Kills George Coston in Seattle.

SEATTLE, March 30. — Without a word between the two men and apparently without motive, Jean Corperell, a workman for the contracting firm of Hawley & Lane, pulled a revolver from his pocket at noon today and deliberately shot a fellow workman, George Coston, through the back. Coston died while on his way to the hospital. The murderer was captured.

Captain Dies in Soldiers' Home.

ROSEBURG, Or., March 30.—(Special.)—W. C. Cassell, a veteran of the Civil War, died at the Soldiers' Home in West Roseburg, March 29, aged 81. He came to the Home from Astoria in 1900. He was captain of Company I, Twenty-sixth Illinois Infantry, during the war.

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