MILL PRODUCTS UP

Flour and Feed Show an Advancing Tendency.

WITH THE RISE IN WHEAT

Exporters and Patents to Be Put on Higher Plane—Supplies of Bran and Shorts Are Small and Mills Are Closed.

Wheat and all kinds of mill products are again going up and mill feed is the strongest item in the list. Bran is now quoted in the local market at $22.50 and shorts at $24.50. There was an advance of $1 in mill feed by some of the Puget Sound mills yesterday, and the rise will probably be general today. As present supplies are light and nearly all the mills have closed down, it is certain that still higher prices will prevail in the Northwest before the season is over.

The flour market is also responding to the higher wheat prices. The quotation on exports will be advanced in the next day or two, and it is very likely that patents will be lifted soon. The demand for patents is better than for some time past.

There was a rumor yesterday, which could not be confirmed, that Japan and China were again in the market for wheat. So far as the local market was concerned, the demand was largely for California account and the inquiry was not checked by the higher prices asked. On the Sound, the highest prices of the season were paid when bluestem was sold on track at 90 cents.

Barley and oats were firmly held at unchanged prices.

Local receipts, in cars, were reported by the Merchants' Exchange as follows:

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	22	2	15	2	17
Tuesday	29	2	7	1	8
Wednesday	17	....	11	2	15
Year ago	18	....	3	1	5
Season to date	10629	547	1874	786	2719
Year ago	8671	1209	1702	1025	2506

OBJECT TO APPLES OF LARGE SIZE.

Smaller Fruit Is More Popular in the London Market.

United States Commercial Agent J. D. Whelpley, of London, reporting on the fruit trade of that market, says:

The apple is by far the most important fruit coming to the British market. American apples are very popular, led by such varieties as the Newtown Pippin from Hood River. The only objection urged is that of size. The most popular sizes are those ranging from 120 to 150 a crate, whereas some of the arrivals from Oregon and California run as large as 70 or 80 per crate. The English retail trade does not want the extra large apple. Fruit is sold by the pound, and the number of a fruit that can be contained in a fixed weight plays a large part in its sale.

The importation and handling of American fruit has become such an important industry that representatives of both auctioneers and private-treaty houses take yearly trips to the United States, visiting all the prominent fruit centers, and it should be an easy matter for growers to get in personal touch with them. English dealers and brokers who have recently returned from the western part of the United States express grave fears that there is imminent danger of an overproduction of American fruit, to be followed inevitably by a glutted market, the possible result to be not merely a lowering of prices and a reduction of profits, but a drop that will mean a distinct loss to the American grower on this year's crop.

HOP STOCKS ARE NEARLY EXHAUSTED.

And Requirements of Eastern Buyers Are Yet to Be Filled.

Some of the brewers and hop dealers in the East are going to have a rude awakening very soon when they learn that no more hops are left on the Coast. Every speculator in Oregon is sold out completely and the amount held by growers is not over 400 bales of last year's crop. There is more than one Eastern brewer who will need this quantity of hops and more before the season is over. A lot of 150 bales of Oregon 1910s, owned by a California dealer, was sold yesterday at 19½ cents.

The demand for contracts is strong, but as the buyers will not bid over 17 cents, there is no new business. It is estimated that dealers now control, one way or another, 25,000 bales of the coming Oregon crop, while in California about 55,000 bales are tied up.

The largest deal for some time was reported in California advices received yesterday. Wolf & Netter have secured 1500 bales of Sacramentos of the crop of 1906 and 1907 on consignment. This makes a sharp reduction of the supply of old hops in California.

Not a bale of hops of any kind is left in Washington.

A letter from Frankfort, dated March 29, reported the German markets quiet, but very firm, with stocks about exhausted. Official returns recently published show the 1910 crop of Austria to have been 227,622 hundredweights, the area under cultivation 21,400 hektar, as against 169,698 hundredweight, and 22,646 hektar in 1909.

EASTERN MOHAIR CONDITIONS.

New Clip Is Reaching Boston on Consignment.

Mohair market conditions in the East are reported by the Boston Commercial Bulletin of April 8 as follows:

"The call for mohair continues moderately good with prices firm as quoted for some time past, good combing readily bringing 35 cents with extra desirable quantities exceeding this price. Carding holds steady as quoted.

"Some of the new clip has arrived in the Boston market on consignment, but no sales of the new hair are yet reported, insufficient stock having yet arrived to make a good showing, it is said. There will be more or less stock arriving within the next few weeks, however, the shearing in the southern part of the country having progressed very well and the clip season in the more northerly sections being about two weeks earlier than usual.

Domestic quotations: Best combing, 35@; good combing, 30@35; ordinary combing at 25@30; carding, 20@25. Foreign: Cape 1st, 44@—; Turkey, fair average, 32@35.

DEMAND FOR EGGS IS HEAVY.

With Market Firming Up, Buyers Take Hold Freely.

Beyond a further stiffening of the market, there were no new developments in the egg trade yesterday and the prices of the past two days were repeated, dealers getting 20 and 21 cents for candled stock. No further purchases of Eastern eggs have been reported since the markets in the East advanced.

Poultry was in a little better supply, but there was a good demand and all prices were firm. Dressed meats were steady, except Spring lambs, which were quoted weak at 11 cents.

The butter movement was good at the new reduced prices, but the market was barely steady. Cheese was qoteud strong.

Advance in Oregon Onions.

The selling price of Oregon onions in the country was advanced yesterday to $2.25. Several cars were disposed of at this price. The demand is good from all quarters and a clean-up of the small remainder of the crop in the next few days is looked for.

Haines Hay in Demand.

BAKER, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—The Haines Mercantile Company, of Haines, has been shipping 100 tons of hay daily for the past week to the Portland markets. The unusual amount of construction work going on in Oregon and Washington has created a demand for this product, and the best grades of hay are bringing good prices. About 150 carloads were shipped from Haines last month.

Strawberries Clean Up.

The fruit and vegetable trade was decidedly brisk. Louisiana berries have entirely cleaned up, but another shipment is due Saturday. A few chests of berries arrived from Los Angeles. All sizes of oranges were scarce and the market was firm. Five cars of bananas were due last night. A car of cabbage arrived.

Sales of Oregon Wool at Boston.

Mail advices from Boston report a number of recent sales of old-clip Oregon wool during the big buying movement by the mills. One sale of 200,000 pounds was made at 15 cents in the grease. Another lot of 25,000 pounds was sold at 17½ cents.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$2,140,592	$101,470
Seattle	2,406,458	123,240
Tacoma	759,727	53,074
Spokane	962,196	171,158

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem, 87@87½c; club, 83@83½c; red Russian, 81c; Valley, 83c; 40-fold, 84c.

BARLEY—Choice feed, $27 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $22.50 per ton; middlings, $30; shorts, $24.50; rolled barley, $28.50@29.50.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.75 per barrel; straights, $3.85; exports, $3.70; Valley, $4.80; graham, $4.50; whole wheat, $4.70.

CORN—Whole, $28; cracked, $28@28.50 per ton.

OATS—No. 1 white, $29 per ton.

HAY—Timothy, Eastern Oregon, No. 1, $21; mixed, $16@18; alfalfa, $13@15; clover, $11.50@12.50; grain hay, $13@15.

Dairy and Country Produce.

POULTRY—Hens, 21c; broilers, 30c; turkeys, 21c; ducks, 20@22c; geese, 12@14c; dressed turkeys, choice, 22@25c.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, candled, 20@21c per dozen; case count, 19@20c per dozen.

CHEESE—Full cream, twins, 14½@15c per pound; Young America, 15½@16c.

BUTTER—City creamery extra, 1 and 2-pound prints, in boxes, 28c per pound; less than boxes, cartons and delivery extra.

PORK—Fancy, 10@10½c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 85 to 125 pounds, 11@12c per pound.

SPRING LAMBS—11c per pound.

Vegetables and Fruits.

SACK VEGETABLES — Carrots, 85c@$1 per hundred; parsnips, 85c@$1; turnips, 85c @$1; beets, 90c@$1.

TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navels, $2.50@2.75 per box; Florida grapefruit, $4.50; California grapefruit, $3@3.50; bananas, 5@5½c per lb.; pineapples, 6c per lb.; lemons, $3.50@4; tangerines, $1.75 per box.

APPLES—Fancy, $2@2.75; choice, $1@2; common, 50c@$1 per box.

BERRIES—Strawberries, Louisiana, $5 per crate; Los Angeles, 15@25c per basket.

VEGETABLES—Asparagus, fancy, $2.50 per crate; common, $1.75 per crate; cabbage, $1.25@1.50 per hundred; cauliflower, local, $1@1.50 per doz; celery, California, $4 per crate; cucumbers, $1.25 per dozen; eggplant, 15c lb.; garlic, 10@12c per pound; green onions, 25c per dozen; head lettuce, 50c per dozen; hothouse lettuce, $1.25@1.50 per box; peas, 12½c per pound; peppers, 30c per lb; radishes, 20@25c per dozen; rhubarb, $1@1.25 per box; sprouts, 9c; tomatoes, $1.75@3.

POTATOES—Oregon, buying price, $1.50@$1.65 per hundred.

ONIONS—Buying price, $2.25 per hundred.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 12@12½c per lb.; currants, 11½c; apricots, 12½@14c; dates, package, 16½c per lb.; figs, bulk, white or black, by sack, 7@8c; 5-6s, $1.50@1.75; 12-12s, 85c; 36-12s, $2.25; 10-1s, 85c; Smyrnas, 18c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.10 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.40; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, $1.25.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 23@34c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 17½@18c per pound; Brazil nuts, 14@16c; filberts, 16c; almonds, 16@18c; peacans, 18c; cocoanuts, 90c@$1 per dozen; chestnuts, 12½c per pound; hickory nuts, 8@10c per pound.

HONEY—Choice, $3.75 per case; strained, 8½c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $15 per ton; half-ground, 100s, $8.50 per ton; 50s, $9 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 4½c; large white, 4½c; Liman, 6½c; pink, 6½c; red Mexicans, 6½c; bayou, 6c.

RICE—No. 1 Japan, 4¾c; cheaper grades, $3.50@4.55; Southern head, 5½@7c; Imported Imperial, 5¾c; imported extra No. 1, 7@7½c.

SUGAR—Dry granulated, fruit and berry, $5.40; beet, $5.20; extra C, $4.90; golden C, $4.80; yellow D, $4.70; powdered, $6.05. 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@16c per pound.

Provisions.

HAMS—10 to 20 pounds, 16@17c; 12 to 14 pounds, 16@16¾c; 14 to 16 pounds, 15½@16½c; skinned, 16c; picnics, 13c; cottage roll, 13½c.

SMOKED MEATS—Beef tongues, 65c; dried beef sets, none; outsides, none; insides, 22c; knuckles, 20c.

BACON — Fancy, 27c; standard, 24c; choice, 22c; English, 17½c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 14¼c; smoked, 15¾c; backs, light, salt, 13¾c; smoked, 15¼c; backs, heavy, salt, 13¼c; smoked, 14¾c; exports, salt, 14¼c; smoked, 15½c.

LARD—Kettle rendered, tierces, 12½c; tubs, 12¾c; standard, pure, tierces, 11½c; tubs, 11¾c; choice, tierces, 10½c; tubs, 10¾c; shortening, tierces, 9c; tubs, 9¼c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1910 crop, 19@20c; 1909 crop, 13@13½c; contracts, 17c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 32c per pound delivered Portland.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, nominal, 10@14c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 14@15c per pound.

PELTS—Dry, 9c; salted, country pelts, 65c@$1; lamb pelts, 25c.

HIDES—Salted hides, 7½c per pound; salted calf, 13c; salted kip, 7½c; salted stags, 5½c; green hides, 1c less; dry hides, 17c; dry calf, 17@18c; dry stags, 11@12c.

CASCARA BARK—Per pound, 5c.

Oils.

LINSEED OIL—Pure raw, in barrels, 99c; boiled, in barrels, $1.01; raw, in cases, $1.04; boiled, in cases, $1.06.

TURPENTINE—10-case lots, $1.23; iron barrels, $1.17; cases, $1.24; wood bbls., $1.21½.

GASOLINE—Motor gasoline, iron bbls., 15½c; cases, 22½c; 86 gasoline, iron bbls., 25c; cases, 33½c.

COAL OIL—Ordinary test, cases, 16@19c; bulk, in tanks, 9½c; high test, 26½c.

ONIONS SHIPPED NORTH

SEATTLE FILLS ALASKA ORDERS WITH AUSTRALIANS.

Eggs Selling Freely at 23 Cents. Strawberry Crop Promises to Be Large.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 12.—(Special.)—The Louisiana strawberries that arrived last night were in first-class condition and were held at $2.75 a crate. Reports from Kennewick are to the effect that the crop promises to be large. The Vashon Island crop is said to be two weeks further along than last year.

The supply of asparagus was heavy today and prices were easier all around.

A good many onions are being repacked for shipment to Alaska. Australian onions, however, are entering largely into the trade.

More veal sold today at 13 cents than 14. Live poultry receipts are increasing, but a brisk demand keeps the market cleaned up and the price unchanged.

Dealers found it easier to obtain 23 cents for fresh local ranch eggs today. Butter was steady and cheese firm.

The price of 40-fold wheat was lowered a half cent on the Merchants' Exchange this morning. The new price is 84½ cents. All other varieties were nominally unchanged.

Stock Exchange Holiday.

NEW YORK, April 12.—The Stock Exchange today decided to close on next Friday and Saturday, thus giving a holiday from Thursday until Monday.

Hops at New York.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Hops—Steady.

Tacoma, April 12.—Arrived—Schooner Robert Searles, from Honolulu. Departed—Steamer Admiral Sampson, for Seattle; steamer Governor, for Seattle; steamer Watson, for Seattle.

BOND SALES LARGE

Abundance of Cheap Money Is the Factor.

STOCKS NOT SO ACTIVE

Pennsylvania Breaks a Point on Announcement of Allotment to Shareholders--Missouri Pacific Down With It.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Speculation in stocks was all but suspended today and prices barely changed. Almost the only business done consisted of the evening up of accounts in preparation for the Easter holidays, in advance of which traders did not desire to embark upon fresh ventures.

Pennsylvania was one of the few stocks which displayed any activity. It broke nearly a point when the news came that the directors had arranged definitely for a 10 per cent allotment to shareholders. This offering will be the first in several years to be made direct to the stockholders, instead of to underwriter syndicates. The last previous offering direct to shareholders met with indifferent success and traders, in view of this fact, interpreted today's offering as a bearish factor.

Missouri Pacific, which broke with Pennsylvania rallied before the close and ended the day with a slight gain. More than 100,000 shares of this stock have been sold in the last fortnight and the source of the liquidation remains a puzzle. The February report of the road shows that while gross earnings fell off $177,000, the shrinkage in net was kept down to $55,000 by reason of reduction of operating expenses.

The weekly reviews of iron trade indicated that in point of new business the markets for finished materials and for pig iron have been quieter than in any other week since January.

The bond market was again relatively more active than the stock market. The abundance of cheap money is the main factor in maintaining a moderate demand for bonds, which is expressed in private sales each day, as well as in the sustained volume of trading on the exchange.

Short time money was somewhat easier. The banks continued to gain on the direct interior movement, but sustained a further loss in their operations with the Subtreasury.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,276,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis Chal pf	......	.....	.....	29½
Amal Copper	2,500	62⅛	61⅝	62¼
Am Agricult	......	.....	.....	57⅛
Am Beet Sugar	1,500	43	42¼	42½
American Can	......	.....	.....	9⅝
Am Car & Fdy	100	52¼	52¼	52¼
Am Cotton Oil	600	57¼	57	57
Am Hd & Lt pf	100	23½	23½	23
Am Ice Secur	......	.....	.....	23½
Am Linseed Oil	......	.....	.....	10½
Am Locomotive	100	36⅜	36⅜	36⅜
Am Smel & Ref	1,100	74	73½	73⅞
do preferred	......	.....	.....	105
Am Steel Fdy	400	44	41½	44
Am Sugar Ref	......	.....	.....	118½
Am Tel & Tel	400	145¾	145½	145½
Am Tobacco pf	......	.....	.....	97
Am Woolen	500	34⅜	34	33⅝
Anaconda M Co	100	37⅛	37⅛	37½
Atchison	900	108⅜	108	108¼
do preferred	......	.....	.....	102¼
Atl Coast Line	......	.....	.....	119½
Balt & Ohio	100	105⅝	105⅝	105⅝
Bethlehem Steel	100	33	33	33
Brook R Tran	100	77⅞	77⅞	77⅞
Canadian Pac	1,300	225⅝	225¼	225⅝
Central Leather	100	28	28	28
do preferred	100	99	99	98⅝
Central of N J	......	.....	.....	278
Ches & Ohio	900	80⅝	80⅛	80½
Chicago & Alton	......	.....	.....	30
Chi Gt West	100	21	21	21
do preferred	......	.....	.....	43⅝
Chicago & N W	......	.....	.....	142½
C M & St Paul	1,500	120⅝	120	120⅝
C C C & St L	......	.....	.....	60
Col Fuel & Iron	100	30½	30½	30¼
Col Southern	......	.....	.....	50½
Consol Gas	1,000	144	143⅝	143⅝
Corn Products	100	14⅛	14⅛	14
Del & Hudson	......	.....	.....	170
D & R Grande	......	.....	.....	34
do preferred	......	.....	.....	69
Distillers' Secur	300	35½	34⅝	34½
Erie	17,100	29⅝	29⅜	29⅝
do 1st pf	......	.....	.....	47½
do 2d pf	......	.....	.....	37½
General Elec	300	150¼	150½	150¼
Gt North pf	800	126¼	126	126¼
Gt North Ore	900	62	61⅝	62⅜
Illinois Central	400	137	136⅜	136½
Interior Met	200	13	13⅜	13⅝
do preferred	300	53½	53¼	53½
Inter Harvester	......	.....	.....	115⅝
Inter Marine pf	......	.....	.....	17½
Int Paper	200	9⅝	9⅝	9⅝
Int Pump	......	.....	.....	29⅝
Iowa Central	......	.....	.....	16
K C Southern	......	...	.....	34
do preferred	......	.....	.....	66
Laclede Gas	100	102½	102½	102½
Louis & Nash	100	144⅝	144⅝	144½
Minn & St L	......	.....	.....	22
M S P & S S M	......	.....	.....	22
Mo Kan & Tex	......	.....	.....	32
do preferred	......	.....	.....	67
Mo Pacific	10,100	48½	47⅝	48¼
Nat Biscuit	200	136¼	136	136
National Lead	300	52½	52⅜	52½
Mex N Ry 2 pf	......	.....	.....	35
N Y Central	300	106⅜	106	106
N Y Ont & Wes	300	41½	41¼	41¼
Norfolk & West	2,200	107½	106⅝	107⅜
North Am	100	71½	71½	71
Northern Pac	400	124⅛	123⅝	124
Pacific Mail	......	.....	.....	24
Pennsylvania	8,200	125⅝	125½	125⅝
People's Gas	500	104⅛	103⅝	103⅝
P C C & St L	200	95	95	95
Pittsburg Coal	100	21	21	20⅝
Pressed S Car	100	32	32	32
Pull Pal Car	100	160	160	159
Ry Steel Spring	......	.....	.....	31½
Reading	15,600	155⅛	154⅝	154⅞
Republic Steel	......	.....	.....	32
do preferred	......	.....	.....	95
Rock Island Co	500	29⅜	29	29¼
do preferred	......	.....	.....	58
St L & S F 2 pf	100	41	41	41
St L Southwest	......	.....	.....	30
do preferred	......	.....	.....	66¼
Sloss Sheffield	100	52⅛	52⅛	52
Southern Pac	1,000	115⅝	114⅞	115⅛
Southern Ry	100	26⅝	26⅝	26⅝
do preferred	100	62⅝	62⅝	62
Tenn Copper	300	36	36	35⅝
Texas & Pac	100	27	27	27
Tol St L & Wes	100	19⅝	19⅝	18¾
do preferred	500	46⅛	46	45
Union Pacific	8,700	176⅜	175⅝	176⅜
do preferred	200	93⅜	93½	93½
U S Realty	200	73	73	72½
U S Rubber	600	41½	41¼	41
U S Steel	20,700	77⅛	76½	77
do preferred	......	.....	.....	119½
Utah Copper	200	44	44	43⅝
Va-Caro Chem	1,500	66½	65⅝	65½
Wabash	......	.....	.....	16⅝
do preferred	100	37⅛	37⅛	37⅝
Western Md	......	.....	.....	49
Westing Elec	......	.....	.....	65½
Western Union	......	.....	.....	72½
Wheel & L E	......	.....	.....	4½
Lehigh Valley	500	173½	173¼	173⅝

Total sales for the day, 106,200 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	101½	N. Y. C. gn 3½s.	88½
do coupon ...	101¼	No. Pacific 3s...	70⅝
U. S. 3s reg.....	101⅝	No. Pacific 4s...	99⅝
do coupon ...	101⅝	Union Pacific 4s.	100⅝
U. S. new 4s reg.	114⅝	Wis. Central 4s.	93
do coupon ...	115¼	Japanese 4s ..	88½ B
D. & R. G. 4s.	92½ B		

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Money on call, steady, 2¼@2½ per cent; ruling rate, 2½ per cent; closing bid, 2⅜ per cent; offered, 2½ per cent.

Time loans, easy: 60 days, 2½@2¾ per cent; 90 days, 2¾ per cent; six months, 3 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper closed at 3¾@4¼ per cent.

Sterling exchange, firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8415 for 60-day bills and at $4.8625 for demand.

Commercial bills, $4.83⅝.

Bar silver, 53¼c.

Mexican dollars, 45c.

Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, irregular.

LONDON, April 12.—Bar silver—Steady, 24½@2 9-16d per ounce.

Money—2½@3 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2⅛ per cent; three months' bills, 2⅜ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—Sterling on London, $4.84½; sight, $4.86¾.

Drafts—Sight, 2c; telegraph, 4c.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Exchange on New York, 30c premium.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Cotton futures closed steady, 1 to 5 points lower. April, 14.47c; May, 14.57c; June, 14.54c; July, 14.51c; August, 14.11c; September, 13.16c; October, 12.81c; November, 12.74c; December, 12.73c; January, 12.69c; March, 12.75c.

Cotton on spot closed quiet, 5 points lower.

Middling uplands, 14.65; do gulf, 14.90c. Sales, none.

Stocks at Boston.

BOSTON, April 12.—Closing quotations:

Allouez	33 A	Mohawk	36½
Amalg. Copper	62¼	Nevada Con.	17¾
A. Z. L. & Sm.	24	Nipissing Mines	10⅝
Arizona Com.	13½	North Butte	27½
Atlantic	5	North Lake	5
B & C C & S M.	11½	Old Dominion	37
Butte Coalition	17	Osceola	103
Cal. & Arizona	48¾	Parrott (S. & C.)	11¼
Cal. & Hecla	485	Quincy	67½
Centennial	11½	Shannon	10
Cop. Ran. C. Co.	60½	Superior	33
E. Butte Cp. M.	11¾	Sup & Bos Min.	3
Franklin	9	Sup & Pitts Cop.	13¾
Giroux Con.	5¾	Tamarack	38
Granby Con.	30	U. S. S. R. & M.	34
Greene Cananea	6¾	do preferred	45½
I. Royale (Cop.)	12¼	Utah Con.	13
Kerr Lake	6½	Utah Copper Co.	43½
Lake Copper	31	Winona	6¾
La Salle Copper	4	Wolverine	110 A
Miami Copper	18¾		

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—At the beginning of business today the condition of the United States Treasury was:

Working balance in the Treasury offices	$26,672,958
In banks and Philippine treasury	32,627,726
Total balance in general fund	86,179,415
Ordinary receipts yesterday	2,128,195
Ordinary disbursements	1,438,774
Surplus to date this fiscal year	572,766
Deficit at this time last year	16,502,792

These figures exclude Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

WHEAT SHORTS EXCITED

RUN UP PRICE OF MAY 2 CENTS AT CHICAGO.

Longs Then Unload Heavily and the Descent Is Rapid—Domestic Crop News Good.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Excited buying of May wheat on the part of shorts today ran up the price of that option nearly 2 cents a bushel, but a violent break in the last hour left only ⅛@¼c net gain. One reason for the reaction was the discovery that the advance had not stimulated to any important extent the demand here for cash wheat.

Speculative excitement in regard to the May delivery counteracted during most of the session the influences that would ordinarily have controlled the price of wheat. For example, the Liverpool market proved a disappointment and closed unchanged to a trifle lower. Domestic crop advices, too, were good from all the experts in the field. Notwithstanding the flattering outlook, however, many shorts became nervous at the scantiness with which that option was offered in the pit. Bids caused a sudden bulge, lifting the price ⅝c above the figures current a week ago Monday. At the advance, longs unloaded and the descent was rapid. During the session May ranged from 87⅝c to 89⅝c, with the close nervous ⅛@¼c up at 88½c.

Unsettled weather weakened corn except at times, when the strength of wheat had overpowering effect. May fluctuated between 48⅝c and 50c, closing steady, ⅛@¼c down at 49c. Cash grades were firm. No. 2 yellow finished at 50½c.

Oats for awhile advanced because of Eastern purchases at interior cities. May varied from 31½c to 32⅜c and closed ⅛c off, at 31½c.

Packers took the buying side in provisions and partly offset the effect of a liberal run of hogs. In the end pork was 2½c higher to 12½c down, with lard and ribs 2½ to 7½c up.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$ .88⅜	$ .89⅝	$ .87⅝	$ .88½
July	.86	.86½	.85⅝	.85⅞
Sept.	.86⅜	.86½	.85½	.85⅝
CORN.				
May	.49⅜	.50	.48⅝	.49
Sept.	.51½	.51⅝	.51	.51¼
OATS.				
May	.31¾	.31⅛	.31½	.31½
July	.31½	.31⅝	.31¼	.31
Sept.	.31½	.31⅝	.31¼	.31¼
MESS PORK.				
May	15.00	15.20	15.00	15.12½
July	14.50	14.77½	14.50	14.67½
LARD.				
May	7.75	7.87½	7.75	7.80
July	7.85	7.97½	7.85	7.92½
Sept.	7.90	8.02½	7.87½	7.97½
SHORT RIBS.				
May	8.32½	8.45	8.30	8.42½
July	7.90	8.02½	7.90	8.00
Sept.	7.87½	7.95	7.85	7.90

Flour—Slow.

Barley—Feed or mixing, 70@90c; fair to choice malting, $1.02@1.10.

Flaxseed—No. 1 Southwestern, $2.42½; No. 1 Northwestern, $2.55½.

Timothy seed—$11.75@12.

Clover—$15.

Pork—Mess, per barrel, $15.75@16.

Lard—Per 100 pounds, $7.75@7.77½.

Short ribs—Sides (loose), $7.50@7.82½.

Sides—Short, clear (boxed), $7.82½@8.37½.

Grain statistics:

Total clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 183,000 bushels. Primary receipts (two days) were 457,000 bushels, compared with 285,000 bushels the corresponding day a year ago. Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 36 cars; corn, 218 cars; oats, 162 cars; hogs, 21,000 head.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	34,400	17,100
Wheat, bushels	68,200	77,000
Corn, bushels	423,700	221,800
Oats, bushels	376,600	569,500
Rye, bushels	6,000	6,600
Barley, bushels	166,500	52,600

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—Wheat—Steady.

Barley—Firm.

Spot quotations:

Wheat—Shipping, $1.47½@1.50 per cental.

Barley—Feed, $1.50; brewing, $1.52½@1.55 per cental.

Oats—Red, $1.35@1.47½ per cental; white, nominal; black, $1.30@1.35 per cental.

Call board sales:

Wheat—No trading.

Barley—May, $1.52½ per cental bid, $1.56 asked.

Grain Markets of the Northwest.

TACOMA, Wash., April 12.—Wheat—Bluestem, 85½@86c; fortyfold, 84c; club, 83c; red Russian, 82c. Receipts—Wheat, 26 cars; oats, 4 cars; hay, 1 car.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 12.—Milling quotations: Bluestem, 85c; fortyfold, 83c; club, 82c; fife, 82c, red Russian, 81c. Export wheat: Bluestem, 85c; fortyfold, 81c; club, 80c; fife, 80c; red Russian, 79c. Yesterday's car receipts—Wheat, 25; oats, 5; barley, 9; hay, 42; corn, 1.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, April 12.—Cargoes firmer. Walla Walla for shipment at 33s; sellers firm, buyers quiet.

English country markets, steady; French country markets, steady.

LIVERPOOL, April 12.—Wheat—May, 6s 8⅝d; July, 6s 7¼d; October, 6s 7⅝d. Weather, cloudy.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 12. — Wheat — May, 94⅝c; July, 95⅝c; September, 89⅝c; Cash: No. 1 hard, 98⅜c; No. 1 Northern, 97⅛@98⅜c; No. 2 Northern, 94@96⅜c; No. 3 wheat, 91⅝@94⅜c.

PRODUCE AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Quotations Current in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—The following produce prices were current today:

Vegetables—Cucumbers, 75c@$1.25; garlic, 4@6c; green peas, 2@4c; string beans, 15@40c; asparagus, 85c@$1.50; tomatoes, nominal; egg plant, 8@10c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 21c.

Eggs—Store, 17c; fancy ranch, 18c.

Cheese—Young America, 14@14½c.

Millstuffs—Bran, $24@26; middlings, $33@35.

Fruit—Apples, choice, $1.25; common, $1; Mexican limes, $5@5.50; California lemons, choice, $3; common, $1.25; oranges, navel, 75c@$2; pineapples, $3@3.50.

Potatoes—Salinas Burbanks, $2.40@2.50; Oregon Burbanks, $1.85@2.25.

Onions—$2.40@2.65.

Hay—Wheat, $11@14.50 per ton; wheat and oats, $9@11; alfalfa, $8@13.

Receipts—Flour, 2620 quarter sacks; wheat, 145 centals; barley, 6595 centals; potatoes, 2780 sacks; bran, 720 sacks; middlings, 110 sacks; hay, 595 tons.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, April 12.—Wool—Unchanged. Territory and Western mediums, 19@22c; fine mediums, 16@18c; fine, 12@15c.

Duluth Flax Market.

Duluth, April 12.—Flax on track and to arrive, $2.53; May, $2.52 bid; July, $2.52, nominal.

TOP STEER PRICES

Prime Quality Brings $7 at the Yards.

MARKET FIRM THROUGHOUT

Fine Cattle Brought in Over the New Harriman Deschutes Line. Big Sale of Sheared Lambs.

Prime steers topped the market yesterday at $7. Two loads of strictly first-class quality, shipped in by McKinnon & Chandler, of La Grande, were sold at that figure. Three loads, raised by W. W. Brown, of Trout Lake, and brought in by George Dixon, sold at $6.90. They were the first cattle shipped from that district over the new Harriman Deschutes line. Another important sale was a big bunch of 168 steers at $6.80.

Lambs also played an important part in the day's business. Two lots of sheared lambs, aggregating 1074 head, brought $5. Sheared yearling wethers went at $4.75 and sheared ewes at $4.

Receipts for the day were 518 cattle, 1447 sheep and 57 hogs.

Shippers of the stock were: Fred McAllister, of Madras, four cars of sheep; Frank Wren, Marysville, Cal., one car of lambs; J. C. Davis, Shedds, one car of hogs and sheep; J. E. Reynolds, Condon, one car of cattle and hogs; H. R. Peacock, Nampa, two cars of cattle; McKinnon & Chandler, La Grande, three cars of cattle; P. J. Brown, Baker, two cars of cattle; T. Hewlitt, Baker, two cars of cattle; George Dixon, Gateway, three cars of cattle, and S. H. Elwood, Shaniko, seven cars of cattle.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Weight.	Price.
68 steers	1271	$6.90
164 lambs	62	5.00
62 yearling wethers	90	4.75
35 ewes	122	4.00
23 steers	1209	6.75
26 steers	1284	7.00
25 steers	1260	7.00
4 steers	1137	6.00
168 steers	1196	6.80
76 steers	1184	6.60
27 steers	1145	6.15
22 hogs	355	7.25
27 steers	1000	6.25
27 steers	1000	6.25
1 cow	850	4.00
1 cow	850	4.00
1 cow	870	2.50
1 cow	850	3.50
5 cows	895	5.75
4 cows	800	5.00
1 calf	330	7.00
910 sheared lambs	68	5.00
5 ewes	138	4.25
2 horses, chunks, each		175.00
1 chunk		225.00

Prices current on the various classes of stock at the Portland Union Stockyards were as follows:

Prime steers	$6.50@$7.00
Choice steers	6.25@ 6.50
Good to choice steers	5.75@ 6.00
Fair to good steers	5.50@ 5.75
Common steers	4.75@ 5.00
Prime cows	5.50@ 6.00
Good to choice cows	5.00@ 5.25
Fair to good cows	4.75@ 5.00
Poor cows	4.00@ 4.50
Choice heifers	5.50@ 5.75
Choice bulls	4.75@ 5.00
Good to choice bulls	4.50@ 4.75
Choice light calves	8.50@ 8.75
Good to choice light calves	8.00@ 8.50
Fair to medium light calves	7.50@ 8.00
Choice heavy calves	5.50@ 6.00
Fair to medium heavy calves	4.75@ 5.00
Choice stags	5.25@ 5.50
Good to choice stags	4.50@ 5.00
Fair to medium stags	4.00@ 4.50
Hogs—	
Choice hogs	7.70@ 7.75
Choice hogs	7.70@ 7.80
Good to choice hogs	7.50@ 7.55
Choice to heavy	7.25@ 7.50
Good to choice heavy	7.00@ 7.25
Common	6.50@ 7.00
Stock hogs	8.00@ 8.25
Sheep—	
Grain-fed wethers, heavy	4.50@ 5.00
Choice young wethers, grain-fed	5.00@ 5.25
Old wethers	4.00@ 4.50
Good to choice shorn wethers	4.25@ 4.50
Choice ewes, grain-fed	4.50@ 4.75
Fair to medium ewes	3.75@ 4.00
Good to choice shorn ewes	3.75@ 4.00
Choice wool lambs, grain-fed	5.50@ 5.75
Good to choice wool lambs, grain fed	5.25@ 5.50
Choice shorn lambs, grain-fed	5.25@ 5.40
Good to choice shorn lambs, grain fed	5.00@ 5.25
Fair to good lambs, grain fed	4.75@ 5.25
Culls	2.50@ 3.50

The following quotations represent prices on this market for the different classes of horses: Drafters, extra heavy, $300@500; drafters, 1400 to 1700 lbs., $150@250; drafters, 1200 to 1400 lbs., $100@250; chunks, $80@150; plugs, $10@40; driving horses, $75 and up; saddle horses, $60 and up.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 11,000; market slow and steady. Beeves, $5.15@6.70; Texas steers, $4.40@5.65; Western steers, $4.80@5.75; stockers and feeders, $4@5.75; cows and heifers, $2.60@5.80; calves, $5@7.

Hogs—Receipts estimated at 23,000; market slow. Light, $6.15@6.55; mixed, $6.05@6.50; heavy, $5.75@6.30; rough, $5.75@6; good to choice heavy, $6@6.30; pigs, $6.15@6.50; bulk of sales, $6.10@6.35.

Sheep—Receipts estimated at 16,000; market slow. Native, $3@4.90; Western, $3.15@4.10; yearlings, $4.40@5.50; lambs, native, $4.75@6.25; Western, $4.75@6.25.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Standard copper, weak; spot, April, May, June, July, 11.65@11.75c. London, steady; spot £53 12s 6d; futures, £54 5s. Custom-house returns show exports of 8419 tons so far this month. Local dealers report a full and easier market for copper. Lake, 12.37½@12.50c; electrolytic, 12.12½@12.37½c, and casting, 11.87½@12c.

Tin, firm; spot, 42.15@42.30c; April, 42.12½@42.15c; May, 42.17½@42.25c; June, 41.50@41.75, and July, 41@41.50c. Sales, 10 tons April at 42.15c. London, firm; spot, £194; futures £189.

Lead, dull, 4.45@4.50c New York, 4.25@4.30c East St. Louis. London, £12 18s 9d.

Spelter, firm, 5.45@5.55c New York; 5.35@5.40c East St. Louis. Sales 50,000 pounds spot East St. Louis delivery at 5.35c. London, £23 15s.

Antimony, dull; Cooksons 9@9.50c.

Iron—Cleveland warrants, 46s@10½d in London. Locally iron was steady. No. 1 foundry, Northern, $15.75@16.25; No. 2 Northern, No. 1 Southern and No. 1 Southern soft, $15.50@16.

Chicago Produce Market.

CHICAGO, April 12. — Butter — Steady. Creameries, 14@21c; dairies, 13@13½c.

Eggs—Receipts 28,611 cases. Steady at mark, cases included, 13½@14c; firsts, 15c; prime firsts, 15½c.

Cheese—Steady. Daisies, 14½c; twins, 12⅝@13c; Young Americas, 13⅝@14c; long horns, 13⅝@14c.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Coffee futures closed steady at net advance of 1 to 6 points. Sales were reported of 33,250 bags. Closing bids: May, 9.99c; June and July, 10.02c; August, 9.94c; September, 9.85c; October, 9.74c; November, 9.70c; December, 9.65c; January, 9.66c; February, 9.68c, and March, 9.70c.

Spot coffee, quiet; Rio No. 7, 12c; Santos, No. 4, 12⅝@13c. Mild coffee, quiet; Cordova, 13⅝@15⅝c, nominal.

Raw sugar, firm; muscovado, .89 test, 3.36c; centrifugal, .96 test, 3.86c; molasses sugar, .89 test, 3.11c. Refined, steady.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Evaporated apples, inactive, nominal, but the undertone is firm. On the spot fancy quoted at 14c; choice, 13½c; prime, 13c.

Prunes, in good demand; quotations from 8¾@18c for Californias up to 30-40s and 11@13½c for Oregons from 80s to 30s.

Peaches, firm, with better demand; choice, 7¼@7½c; extra choice, 7⅝@8¼c; fancy, 8¾@9c.

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