MOHAIR POOL BIDS

Buyers' Views of Dallas Sale Methods.

MAY NOT ATTEND THIS YEAR

Say They Must Know What They Are Getting, or They Will Not Submit Offers—Dissatisfaction Last Year.

Mohair buyers declare they will not bid for the Dallas mohair pool this year under the same conditions as the pool sale was carried out last year. At the last sale there was much dissatisfaction on the part of the dealer bidders when the pool was bid in by the secretary of the association.

Henry Metzger, buyer for the Sanford Mohair Mills, said yesterday:

"The Dallas pool sale must be conducted differently from heretofore or we will not bid on it. We will insist on knowing what fleeces are in the pool and the quantity. Unless we can be assured of getting the mohair we bid on, if we are the successful bidders, we will not attend. We have as much right as the secretary to know who is in the pool and how many fleeces there are in it. Furthermore, no member of the association should be allowed to bid on the pool except on the floor with the other buyers and not in the background. All we want is a square deal in this matter, and I believe the other mohair buyers will stand back of me in insisting that we get it."

John E. Young, president of the Multnomah Mohair Mills, also said he was dissatisfied with the way the sale was conducted last year, and was not disposed to bid on the pool this year unless he had a certainty of getting the quality of mohair he bid upon.

The date of the Dallas sale has not been fixed yet, but will probably be announced this week.

A few small lots of 12 months 1912 mohair have been bought in Southern Oregon at 32 cents delivered Portland.

OATS STRONG AT FORMER PRICES.

Several Hundred Tons Sold to Go South. Wheat Steady.

The week opened with no abatement of the strength of the oats market. Several hundred tons were sold on the local market to go south, which further depleted the supply here. Holders in the interior were strong.

Wheat was steady and quiet with last week's local prices repeated. There were sales of bluestem in the country to interior mills as high as 94 cents.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	42	...	16	11	11
Year ago	20	2	22	5	14
Season to date	11,322	217	1500	1380	2214
Year ago	10,114	515	1715	714	2228

The weekly wheat statistics of the Merchants Exchange follow:

American Visible Supply—

	Bushels.	Decrease.
March 18, 1912	54,380,000	1,368,000
March 20, 1911	26,562,000	1,060,000
March 21, 1910	29,798,000	*581,000
March 22, 1909	37,076,000	*80,000
March 23, 1908	39,118,000	1,051,000
March 25, 1907	47,733,000	*390,000
March 26, 1906	47,329,000	*57,000
March 27, 1905	32,818,000	1,168,000
March 28, 1904	32,923,000	471,000
March 23, 1903	45,055,000	1,011,000

*Increase.

Quantities on Passage—

	Week ending Mar. 16 Bushels	Week ending Mar. 9 Bushels	Week ending Mar. 18 '11 Bushels
For U. K.	28,888,000	27,176,000	31,920,000
Continent	1,424,000	3,485,000	21,360,000
Totals	30,312,000	30,661,000	53,280,000

World's Shipments (flour included)—

From—	Week ending Mar. 16 Bushels	Week ending Mar. 9 Bushels	Week ending Mar. 18 '11 Bushels
U. S., Can.	2,332,000	1,899,000	1,885,000
Argentina	2,712,600	2,784,000	2,960,000
Australia	1,822,000	1,640,000	1,640,000
Dan. ports	672,000	768,000	344,000
Russia	1,336,000	968,000	3,472,000
India	1,216,000	72,000	1,032,000
Totals	10,890,000	8,131,000	11,553,000

World's shipments, season to date:

From—	Total since July 1, '11.	Same period last season.
U. S. and Canada	124,481,000	88,644,000
Argentine	35,111,000	48,920,000
Australia	23,526,000	26,140,000
Danube	56,925,000	72,248,000
Russia	61,214,000	137,872,000
India	33,620,000	36,464,000
Total	342,787,000	439,190,000

CHEESE SELLS QUICKLY ON ARRIVAL

Shipment of 150 Cases Is Due From Tillamook Today.

A shipment of 150 cases of cheese is due from Tillamook this morning. The supply that arrived at the close of last week cleared up quickly at 22 cents.

The butter market was firm, with stocks of all kinds well sold up.

Eggs were unchanged in price, with a fair demand, liberal receipts and an easy undertone to the market.

Receipts of poultry were small and the indications are for a firm market all the week. Veal was easy and pork was steady.

NINE CARS OF BANANAS DELIVERED

Mixed Car of California Vegetables Received Last Night.

Nine cars of bananas were put on sale yesterday. All were delivered in good condition. A car of oranges arrived yesterday and a car of mixed vegetables came in last night.

Fruit and vegetable trade was of good volume throughout the day. Sales of California apples were on a large scale. Stocks of Oregon apples were limited.

Onions and potatoes were in light supply on the street and firm.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$2,934,418	$271,837
Seattle	2,219,226	305,689
Tacoma	1,965,411	146,672
Spokane	777,129	50,192

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem, 90@91c; club 88c; red Russian, 87c; Valley, 88c; 40-fold, 88c.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $20@22 per ton; shorts, $22@24; middlings, $30.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.50 per barrel; straights, $4.05; exports, $3.99; Valley, $4.50; graham, $4.65; whole wheat, $4.85.

CORN—New, whole, $34; cracked, $35 per ton.

HAY—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, $17@18; No. 1 Valley, $13@14; alfalfa, $12.50@13; clover, $9; oat and vetch, $11@11.50; other grain hay, $9.

OATS—No. 1 white, $34@34.50.

Vegetables and Fruits.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2.30@3.25; California grapefruit, $3.50@4; Florida grapefruit, $6.75@7; bananas, $1.25@1.50 per bunch; lemons, $4.50@4.50 per box.

FRESH FRUITS—Almeria grapes, $5.00 per barrel; cranberries, $10@11.50 per barrel.

POTATOES—Buying prices: Burbanks, $1.50@2 per hundred; sweet potatoes, $2.25 per crate.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 75@90c; per dozen; asparagus, $2@2.25 per crate; beans, 15@17½c; cabbage, 1¾@2¼ per lb.; cauliflower, $2.25 crate; celery, $3.50@6 per crate; cucumbers, $2@2.50 dozen; eggplant, 12½c per pound; garlic, 8@10c per pound; head lettuce, $1.75@2.50 per crate; hothouse lettuce, 50@75c per box; peppers, 12½c per pound; radishes, 35c per dozen; rhubarb, California, $1.50@1.75 per box; sprouts, 8c; tomatoes, $3@4.50 per box.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1@1.10 per sack; beets, $1.50; rutabagas, $1@1.10; carrots, $1.

ONIONS—Association price, $2.25 per sack.

APPLES—Yellow Newtown, $2@2.50; Spitzenbergs, $1.75@3; Baldwin, $1.50@2; Ben Davis, $1@1.75; Red Cheek Pippins, $2@2.50; Gano, $1@1.75; California Newtowns, $1.75@2 per box.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Oregon creamery butter, solid 33½c; prints, extra.

EGGS—Oregon candled, 20c per dozen.

CHEESE—Oregon, flats, 22c per pound; daisies, nominal.

PORK—Fancy, 8½@9c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 12@12½c per pound.

POULTRY—Hens, 16@17c; Springs, 15@15½c; ducks, 16c; geese, 8@10c; turkeys, live, 16c; dressed, 20@21c.

Staple Groceries.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.25 per dozen; 8-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.40; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, $1.35.

COFFEE — Roasted, in drums, 26½@40c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 16@16½c per pound; Brazil nuts, 14@16c; filberts, 14@15c; almonds, 17@21c; pecans, 18c; cocoanuts, 90c@$1 per dozen; chestnuts, 12½c per pound; hickory nuts, 8@10c per pound.

HONEY—Choice, $3.75 per case; strained honey, 10c per pound.

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

BEANS—Small white, 4.85c; large white, 4¾c; Lima, 7½c; pink, 5¾c; Mexican, 5½c; bayou, 5c.

RICE—No. 1 Japan, 5¾c; cheaper grades, 4¾@5c; Southern head, 5¾@7c.

SUGAR—Dry granulated, $6.55; fruit and berry, $6.55; Honolulu plantation, $6.50; beet, $6.35; extra C, $6.05; powdered, barrels, $6.80; cubes, barrels, $6.95.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 14c per pound; apricots, 16@18½c; peaches, 12@14c; prunes, Italian, 10½@10¾c; silver, 18c; figs, white and black, 6½@7½c; currants, 10@11c; raisins, loose, Muscatel, 6¾@7¾c; bleached Thompson, 11½c; unbleached Sultanas, 8½c; seeded, 7¼@8½c; dates, Persian, 8½c per pound; Fard, $1.60 per box.

Linseed Oil and Turpentine.

LINSEED OIL—Pure raw, in barrels, 77c; boiled, in barrels, 79c; raw, in cases, 82c; boiled, in cases, 84c.

TURPENTINE—Cases, 70c; wood barrels, 67½c.

Provisions.

HAMS—10 to 12 pounds, 14½@15½c; 12 to 14 pounds, 14½@15½c; 14 to 16 pounds, 14½@15½c; skinned, 15c; picnics, 11c; cottage roll, 12c.

LARD—Kettle rendered, tierces, 12¾c; tubs, 12¾c; standard tierces, 11¾c; tubs, 11¾c; shortening, tierces, 8¾c; tubs, 8¾c.

BACON—Fancy, 24c; standard, 18c; choice, 17c; English, 15½@16c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 11½c; smoked, 13c; short clear backs, 12 to 16 pounds, dry salt, 12½c; smoked, 14c; short clear backs, 16 to 20 pounds, dry salt, 11½c; smoked, 13c; Oregon exports, dry salt, 13c; smoked, 14c.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1911 crop, 39@40c; olds, nominal; 1912 contracts, 26@27c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 32c per pound.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 14@16c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 16@17c per pound.

PELTS—Dry, 11c; lambs, salted, 75@90c; short-wool pelts, 65@85c; butcher pelts, Jan. take-off, 95c@$1.05; Feb. take-off, $1.10@1.15.

HIDES—Salted hides, 10½@10¾c per pound; salted calf, 16@17c; salted kip, 11@12c; green hides, 9½c; dry calf, 21c; dry hides, 18@19c; salted stags, 7@7½c; green stags, 6@6½c.

CASCARA—Per pound, 5¾@6c.

GRAIN BAGS—In car lots, 7½c each.

Furs.

FURS—Portland prices for prime, well-handled skins, according to sizes: Mink, $4@6.50; raccoon, 90c@$1.50; skunk (narrow stripe), $1@2; skunk (broad stripe), 75c@$1.50; muskrat, 20@25c; gray fox, 75c@$1.50; red fox, $4@8.50; marten, $6@8; beaver, $6@8.50; fisher, $12@20; badger, 40c@$1; lynx cat, $3@5; wildcat, 75c@$1.50; otter, $10@14; lynx, $25@30; ringtail cats, 25@60c; civet cat, 10@25c; house cat, 5@20c; mountain lion, $5@10; bear, $7@12.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

Prices Quoted at the Bay City for Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—The following produce prices were current here today:

Butter—Fancy creamery, 31½c.

Eggs—Store, 19c; fancy ranch, 20c.

Cheese—18@20c.

Onions—$3.50@3.65.

Fruit — Apples, choice, $1.25; common, 75c; Mexican limes, $5@6; California lemons, choice, $4; common, $1.25; navel oranges, $1.25@2.75; pineapples, $2@3.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, $2.25@2.50; Salinas Burbanks, $2.50@2.75; river Burbanks, $2@2.25; sweets, $3.35@2.50.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, $2@2.50; garlic, 2@3c; green peas, 5@8c; string beans, nominal; asparagus, 3@5c; tomatoes, nominal; eggplant, 15@30c.

Hay—Wheat, $14.50@20; wheat and oats, $14@19; alfalfa, $13@16.50.

Receipts—Flour, 2532 quarter sacks; barley, 2124 centals; potatoes, 2762 sacks; hay, 911 tons; wool, 29 bales.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Standard copper firm but quiet. Spot, 14.22½@14.50c; March, 14.25@14.40c; April, 14.30@14.50c; May, 14.32½@14.40c; June, 14.32½@14.45c; July, 14.32½@14.50c. London spot easy, £64 16s 3d; futures, £65 11s 3d. Arrivals reported at New York today, 300 tons; custom-house returns show exports of 12,401 tons so far this month. Lake copper, 14⅝@15c; electrolytic, 14⅝c; casting, 14¼@14½c.

Tin easy. Spot, 42.27½@42.37½c; March, 42.20@42.40c; April, 41.65@42.15c; May, 41.40@41.90c; June, 40.75@41.25c; July, 40.50@41c. London spot, £191 10s; futures, £187 15s. Local sales, 25 tons spot at $42.30.

Lead quiet, 4@4.10c New York and 4@4.10c East St. Louis. London, £16 1s 3d.

Spelter weak, 6.85@7.10c New York and 6.71½@7c East St. Louis. London, £26.

Antimony quiet; Cookson's, 7.25c.

Iron—Cleveland warrants, 51s 6d in London. Locally iron was steady. No. 1 foundry Northern, $15@15.50; No. 2, $14.50@15; No. 1 Southern and No. 1 Southern soft, $15@15.50.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Coffee futures closed steady at a net advance of 7@14 points on covering and moderate support from trade sources. Sales, 33,500 bags. March, 14.38c; April, 13.47c; May, 13.55c; June, 13.59c; July, 13.64c; August, 13.69c; September, 13.75c; October, 13.75c; November, 13.72c; December, 13.66c; January, 13.61c; February, 13.55c.

Spot steady. Rio, No. 7, 14½c; Santos No. 4, 15¾c. Mild coffee quiet. Cordova, 13@18c nominal.

Raw sugar steady. Muscovado, 89 test, 4c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.50c; molasses, 89 test, 3.75c. Sales, 25,000 bags. Refined easy.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Evaporated apples continue quiet but steady. Spot fancy, 9¾@10¼c; choice, 8¼@9¼c; prime, 7½@8c.

Prunes heavy, small demand. Quotations range from 4½ to 11½c for Californias up to 30-40s and 8¾ to 12c for Oregons.

Peaches quiet. Prices nominally unchanged. Choice, 10½@10¾c; extra choice, 11@11½c; fancy, 11½@12c.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 18.—Turpentine, 49c. Sales, 191 barrels; receipts, 245 barrels; shipments, 407 barrels; stocks, 20,300 barrels.

Rosin firm. Sales, 249 pounds; receipts, 707 pounds; shipments, 1399 pounds; stocks, 89,130 pounds. Quote: B, $6.85; D, E, $6.95; F, G, H, I, $7; K, $7.10; M, $7.30; N, $7.35; WG, $7.40; WW, $7.45.

Money, Exchange, Etc.

LONDON, March 18.—Bar silver steady, 26⅜d per ounce.

Money, 3@3¼ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3¾@3⅞ per cent; for three months' bills 3 9-16@3⅝ per cent.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Money on call steady, 2¾@2½ per cent; ruling rate, 2¾; closing bid, 2⅝; offered at 2½.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8425 for 60-day bills and at $4.8745 for demand.

Time loans firmer, 60 days 3@3¼; 90 days, 3¼@3½; six months, 3½@3¾.

Prime mercantile paper, 4@4½ per cent.

Commercial bills, $4.83⅞.

Mexican dollars, 47c.

Government bonds steady; railroad bonds steady.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—Sterling on London—Sixty days, $4.84¾; do sight, $4.87⅞.

Silver bars—58⅝c.

Mexican dollars, 46½c.

Drafts—Sight, 2½c; telegraph, 5c.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Cotton futures closed barely steady. Bids: March, 10.28; April 10.25, May 10.35, June 10.39, July 10.44, August 10.44, September 10.40, October 10.46, November 10.48, December 10.52, January 10.49, February 10.48. Spot closed quiet, 5 points lower; mid-uplands 10.60, do gulf 10.85. Sales 1000 bales.

YARD TRADE LARGE

Firm Market for Cattle and Hogs at North Portland.

DAY'S RUN IS HEAVY ONE

Fancy Steers Sell at $6.90 and Best Cows at $5.60—Top Hogs Are 15 Cents Higher at $7—Sheep Offerings Are Light.

Although the livestocks show was in progress yesterday, a large volume of business was transacted at the stock yards. The receipts over Sunday were nearly 6000 head, which included considerable show stock.

The market was firm, as shown by the good prices paid. Hogs were raised 15 cents, while fancy steers sold at a good premium over current quotations. Sales in the sheep division were comparatively light.

The top price paid for steers was $6.90. One small bunch of 10 head, averaging 1231 pounds, and another of 5 head, averaging 1258 pounds, brought that figure. The range on other steer sales was $5.25 to $6.40, with the bulk of sales at $6 to $6.35. For a few strictly choice cows $5.60 was paid. Good cows sold at $4.75 to $5.50.

A load of high-grade hogs, averaging 164 pounds, was sold in the afternoon at $7, the best price of the season. Hog sales at $6.85 and $6.90 were numerous.

The only sheep sale reported was a bunch of 214 ewes at $3.75.

Receipts for Sunday and Monday were 1032 cattle, 9 calves, 2000 hogs, 2740 sheep and 4 cars of horses.

Shippers were: H. J. Selway, Redrock, Mont., 1 car cattle; O. A. C., Corvallis, 1 car sheep (for the show); Edson & Brown, Carlton, Or., 1 car horses; Frank Brown, Carlton, Or., 1 car cattle; A. Chalmers, Hillsboro, Or., 1 car cattle; Goddell & Cassedy, Gazelle, Cal., 1 car cattle; Frank Brownell, Wilson, Or., 1 car hogs; Robert Withybonde, Union, Or., 1 car hogs and cattle; Shipple Brothers, Union, Or., 2 cars hogs and cattle; Reed Brothers, Pendleton, Or., 2 cars sheep; McKinnon & Chandler, La Grande, Or., 6 cars cattle; R. N. Stanfield, Stanfield, Or., 4 cars sheep; Ed Knorr, Jamesville, Idaho, 5 cars hogs; University of Idaho, Moscow, 1 car sheep and horses; Prineville Land & Livestock Company, Shaniko, Or., 4 cars cattle; H. C. Phirman, Shaniko, Or., 1 car cattle; W. B. Kurtz, St. Anthony, Idaho, 1 car hogs; Hunt & Dickson, Terrebonne, Or., 5 cars calves; Kibble & Carswell, Echo, Or., 1 car cattle; George Chandler, Baker, 1 car cattle; William Coleman, Baker, Or., 1 car cattle; M. A. Phillips, Baker, Or., 2 cars cattle; Ed Coles, Haines, Or., 2 cars cattle; Farmers' Union Trading & Land Co., Buhl, Idaho, 1 car hogs; D. O. Sanders, Milton, Or., 4 cars sheep; J. A. Martin, Blackfoot, Idaho, 2 cars hogs; G. N. Crofutt, Ontario, Or., 2 cars cattle.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Weight.	Price.
214 ewes	98	$3.75
2 calves	210	8.00
2 heifers	875	5.75
1 cow	1110	5.50
1 cow	950	5.00
7 steers	1110	5.75
58 steers	1225	6.40
56 hogs	108	6.90
10 hogs	108	6.70
8 hogs	166	6.75
5 hogs	220	6.90
51 hogs	220	6.90
4 hogs	202	6.90
1 hog	380	6.25
2 hogs	275	6.90
18 hogs	140	6.90
1 hog	490	5.75
3 steers	973	5.50
3 cows	854	4.75
2 cows	940	3.00
15 cows	956	4.50
3 steers	880	5.50
8 steers	1025	6.25
11 cows	1097	5.50
6 cows	1020	5.00
1 cow	1050	5.00
40 steers	1181	6.05
23 steers	1192	6.10
24 steers	1150	6.00
88 hogs	196	6.90
1 hog	360	6.00
38 hogs	173	6.85
82 hogs	204	6.90
10 hogs	329	6.50
55 hogs	164	7.00
9 hogs	187	6.90
2 hogs	390	6.25
10 hogs	431	6.25
31 hogs	188	6.90
1 hog	230	6.25
100 hogs	157	6.85
1 cow	950	5.00
4 cows	1235	5.60
5 steers	1182	5.25
16 steers	1115	6.25
78 steers	995	6.05
5 bulls	1358	3.90
10 steers	1221	6.90
5 steers	1258	6.90
2 steers	1240	5.25
5 cows	1106	4.25
1 bull	1930	4.75
5 cows	1112	5.60
9 steers	1072	6.00
9 cows	1024	4.50
14 steers	1030	5.50
1 steer	900	5.50
1 cow	870	4.50
12 cows	1408	5.40
12 steers	1195	6.65
1 steer	1180	6.35
26 steers	1215	6.35
1 steer	1090	6.00
26 steers	1212	6.35
5 cows	710	4.50
15 cows	1103	5.25
5 cows	1268	5.25
2 cows	1275	4.50
156 steers	1204	6.50
10 steers	1135	6.35
161 hogs	161	6.85
52 hogs	150	6.80

The range of prices at the yards was as follows:

Choice steers	$6.20@$6.50
Good to choice steers	5.90@ 6.10
Choice cows	5.30@ 5.60
Good to choice cows	4.75@ 5.00
Choice spayed heifers	5.50@ 5.65
Good to choice heifers	5.35@ 5.50
Choice bulls	4.50@ 5.75
Good to choice bulls	4.25@ 4.50
Choice calves	7.75@ 8.25
Good to choice calves	7.25@ 7.50
Hogs—	
Choice light hogs	6.50@ 7.00
Smooth heavy hogs	5.75@ 6.00
Rough heavy	5.50@ 5.75
Sheep—	
Choice wool yearlings	4.75@ 5.00
Choice 2s and 3s	4.15@ 4.50
Choice killing ewes	4.25@ 4.80
Culls	2.50@ 3.25
Choice fed wool lambs	5.75@ 6.00
Choice grain-fed lambs	5.50@ 5.60
Choice Spring lambs	4.75@ 5.00
Good to choice lambs	4.50@ 4.75
Fair to good lambs	4.25@ 4.50

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, March 18. — Cattle—Receipts, 4700; market, steady to easier. Native steers, $5.40@6; cows and heifers, $3.50@6.25; Western steers, $4.40@6.80; Texas steers, $3.80@5.30; range cows and heifers, $3.25@5.25; canners, $3@4; stockers and feeders, $3.50@6.50; calves, $4@8; bulls, stags, etc., $4.25@5.65.

Hogs—Receipts, 5300; market, steady. Heavy, $6.60@6.75; mixed, $6.40@6.60; light, $6.25@6.65; pigs, $5@6.25; bulk of sales, $6.40@6.65.

Sheep—Receipts, 13,500; market, steady. Yearlings, $5.40@6.10; wethers, $5@5.60; ewes, $4.20@5.25; lambs, $6.30@7.35.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, March 18.—Cattle—Receipts, 27,000; market, steady to 10c lower. Beeves, $5@8.75; Texas steers, $4.60@5.90; Western steers, $5@6.90; stockers and feeders, $4@6.20; cows and heifers, $2.25@6.60; calves, $5.75@8.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 33,000; market, 5c to 10c lower. Light, $6.60@6.92½; mixed, $6.65@6.90; heavy, $6.65@6.97½; rough, $6.65@6.75; pigs, $4.75@6.45; bulk of sales $6.80@6.95.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; market, strong. Native, $3.75@5.55; Western, $4.25@5.60; yearlings, $5@6.40; lambs, native, $5.20@7.50; Western, $5.75@7.60.

Trade in West Good.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The stock market today made considerable recovery from its unsettled condition of last Saturday, when prices fell on fears of political and industrial disturbances abroad.

Much of the strength and activity converged about stocks that never have exercised great influence as market factors. These included Erie, Missouri Pacific and American Can preferred. Some idea may be gained of the anomalous movements of the session from the fact that until 2 o'clock Erie common was the most active stock, its sales being greater than those of any other issue.

Missouri Pacific was more active than Union Pacific and the dealings in the Can shares were much larger than in stock whose course often had been accepted as significant.

The foreign situation seemed to offer some warrant for last week's rumors which went so far as to "threaten the peace of Europe."

The market took on its strongest tone in the final hour. Western traffic conditions are improving. One of the most hopeful features respecting that section is to be found in the steady piling up of bank deposits at reserve centers, indicating that a large part of the usual drain on this center for crop-moving requirements will be obviated. Increasing demand for cash in the West is reflected in the steadiness of its money markets.

The Controller of the Currency has completed his abstract of reports, showing the condition of over 7200 banks at the close of business February 22 last. The increase in surplus over the last previous date is almost $21,000,000, with a very small increase in reserves.

Sales by London here today were about 20,000 shares, chiefly Steel and Union Pacific. London got the bulk of the South African gold delivered there. The Imperial Bank of Germany reported a gain of about $4,000,000 in gold with an increase of $7,500,000 in cash deposits increased by $21,000,000.

The bond market was firm; total sales, par value, $3,621,000. United States Government bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis Chal pf	100	4½	4½	4½
Amal Copper	36,500	74⅞	72⅞	73⅝
Am Agricult	500	60⅝	60¼	60¼
Am Beet Sugar	1,100	58	57¼	57½
American Can	28,500	16⅞	14⅞	16⅝
Am Car & Fdy	2,800	55⅝	54⅝	55½
Am Cotton Oil				50½
Am Hd & Lt pf				22½
Am Ice Secur	500	22⅝	22⅜	22¼
Am Linseed				15
Am Locomotive	2,100	37⅝	36½	37¼
Am Smel & Ref	5,700	77⅛	76	76½
do preferred	200	104⅝	104⅝	104½
Am Steel Fdy	100	29⅝	29⅝	29½
Am Sugar Ref	3,500	122⅝	121	122½
Am Tel & Tel	1,600	148	147⅝	147⅝
Am Tobacco pf				104½
Am Woolen				29
Anaconda M Co	5,000	40½	39⅝	40¼
Atchison	1,800	106⅝	105⅞	106
do preferred	100	103⅞	103⅞	103¼
Atl Coast Line	200	138⅛	138⅛	138⅛
Balt & Ohio	1,400	104½	103⅞	104⅛
Bethlehem Steel				30¼
Brook R Tran	400	80⅝	80½	80½
Canadian Pac	1,800	233⅝	232½	232⅞
Central Leather	6,200	23⅝	22½	22⅞
do preferred	200	88½	88	88½
Central of N J				375
Ches & Ohio	9,900	77¼	76½	76⅞
Chicago & Alton				17
Chi Gt West	300	18¼	18⅛	18¼
do preferred	100	36	36	35½
Chicago & N W	500	141	140¼	141¼
C M St Paul	1,900	108½	107⅞	108
C C C & St L	200	36½	36½	37½
Col Fuel & Iron	100	27	27	26½
Col & Southern				42½
Consol Gas	300	141⅜	141	141
Corn Products	1,000	12¼	11⅞	12
Del & Hudson	200	169⅜	168½	169
D & R Grande				21
do preferred	250	40⅜	40⅜	40⅜
Distillers' Secur	700	31	30¼	30½
Erie	59,000	37⅝	36⅝	37
do 1st pf	5,900	57¼	56⅜	56⅞
do 2d pf	800	47¼	46⅝	46⅞
Gen Electric	1,400	166¼	165	165⅜
Gt North pf	2,500	133⅝	132⅝	133
Gt North Ore	300	38	37¼	38
Illinois Central	3,100	127½	125½	127
Interbor Met	800	18½	18⅛	18¼
do preferred	1,600	58¼	57⅝	57⅞
Inter Harvester	1,100	116¼	114½	115½
Inter Marine pf	900	20⅝	20	20¼
Int Paper	2,800	12¼	11	12¼
Int Pump	200	30	30	29
Iowa Central				11
K C Southern	100	27⅛	27⅛	26½
do preferred				63
Laclede Gas				104¾
Louis & Nash	900	156¼	155⅝	156
Minn & St L				21
M, S P & S S M	600	139½	138⅜	139½
Mo, Kan & Tex	1,600	29½	28½	29⅛
do preferred	300	63⅜	63¼	62
Mo Pacific	29,700	44½	43¼	44¼
Nat Biscuit	200	151⅞	150⅝	151
National Lead	1,400	56¼	55⅞	56
N Ry Mex 2 pf	100	30½	30½	30¼
N Y Central	3,300	113	112½	112⅞
N Y, Ont & Wes				38⅞
Norfolk & West	800	109½	107⅞	109
North American	1,200	80¾	79⅝	80½
Northern Pac	4,200	120⅝	119½	120⅝
Pacific Mail	500	32	31½	32
Pennsylvania	6,600	124¼	123⅝	123⅞
People's Gas				107
P, C C & St L	100	105⅝	105⅝	105⅝
Pittsburg Coal	2,100	19⅝	18⅞	19
Pressed S Car	300	33	33	33
Pull Pal Car	500	160¼	160	159
Ry Steel Spring	500	30⅜	30½	30½
Reading	74,300	156½	154⅝	155⅝
Republic Steel	300	21	20⅝	20⅞
do preferred	300	73	72⅞	73½
Rock Island Co	7,600	25⅛	24⅜	25¼
do preferred	6,400	51⅝	50½	50⅝
St L & S F 2 pf	1,300	41⅞	40⅞	41⅝
St L Southwest				31
do preferred	2,400	72¾	72	72
Sloss Sheffield	100	44	44	43½
Southern Pac	2,100	109½	108⅞	109⅜
Southern Ry	5,200	29⅜	28⅛	29¼
do preferred	500	74⅝	74½	74⅜
Tenn Copper	100	38½	38½	38⅜
Texas & Pac	600	23½	23¼	23½
Tol, St L & Wes	200	13⅜	13¼	13⅜
do preferred	400	32⅜	32	32
Union Pacific	30,600	168⅞	167¼	168¼
do preferred	100	91½	91½	91
U S Realty	100	69⅞	69⅞	69
U S Rubber	2,100	52	51	51⅝
U S Steel	95,200	67⅛	65½	66⅝
do preferred	2,600	111½	110⅝	111¼
Utah Copper	2,000	57⅜	57	56⅝
Va-Caro Chem	500	53⅞	53½	53½
Wabash				6½
do preferred	200	18⅜	18¼	18¼
Western Md	1,000	61½	60	60⅝
Westing Elec	400	74½	74½	74½
Western Union	200	84⅝	84⅝	84⅝
Wheel & L E				8½
Lehigh Valley	6,500	163½	161½	162⅝
Chino Copper	1,400	26	25⅞	25⅞
Ray Consols	1,200	17⅜	17	17¼
Am Tobacco				252

Total sales for the day, 525,200 shares.

BONDS.

Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co., Portland:

	Bid.	Asked.
Amer Tel & Tel conv 4s	115⅝	115½
Am Tob 4	95½	95⅝
Am Tob 6s	120½	120⅝
Atchison Gen 4s	99½	99⅝
Atchison conv 4s	101½	102
Atchison adj 4s stamped	91½	91⅝
Atchison conv 5s	107½	108
Atlantic Coast Line cons 4s	95¼	95½
Atlantic Coast Line "L&N" 4s	94⅛	94¾
Balt & Ohio 3½s	92	92½
Balt & Ohio 4s	98	98½
Brooklyn Rap Transit 4s	86⅝	86¾
Can Southern first 5s	101¼	102
C & O 4½s	101	101½
C B & Q gen mtg 4s	95¾	96
C B & Q joint 4s	96⅞	99
C B & Q Ills 4s	99⅝	100
C B & Q Denver 4s	95⅝	96
Cent Pac first 4s	96½	96⅝
Chicago & East Ills 4s	80	80½
Chicago R-I & P ref 4s	89½	89¾
Chi R I & P Col trust 4s	71⅝	72½
Colo & Sou first 4s	97½	98
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	89	89½
Del & Hudson conv 4s	90½	90⅝
Erie first cons P L 4s	88½	89⅝
Int Met 4½s	83	82⅞
Japanese 4s	86½	87½
Japanese first 4½s	93½	93½
Japanese second 4½s	91	92½
L & N uni 4s	98⅞	98
Mo Kans & Tex 4½s	88⅝	89¼
Mo Pac 4s	75	75¾
N Y Cen 3½s	87½	88
N Y Cen L S 3½s	83⅛	83½
N Y City 4s	93½	94½
N Y City 4½s of 1957	107½	107⅝
Norfolk & Western 4s	98½	98⅝
Norfolk & West conv 4s	109	109½
N Y Ont & W 4s	94½	95
Nor Pac P L 4s	99⅞	100
Nor Pac 3s	68⅝	70
Oregon Short Line 4s	95½	95⅝
Oregon Ry & Nav 4s	96½	97
Philippine Ry 4s	84⅝	86
Reading gen 4s	99	99½
Republic of Cuba 5s	103¼	103⅝
Sou Pac first ref 4s	94¾	95
Sou Pac col 4s	91½	92
Southern Ry 4s	74½	74½
St. L & S F ref 4s	79⅝	80½
Union Pac first 4s	100⅝	100⅝
Union Pac conv 4s	102¼	102⅝
Union Pac ref 4s	97⅜	97½
United States Steel S F 5s	102⅞	103
United States 2s registered	100½	101
United States 2s coupon	100⅞	101½
United States 3s registered	102½	102⅞
United States 3s coupon	102¼	102⅞
United States 4s registered	113¾	114½
United States 4s coupon	113⅝	114⅝
United Railway S F 4s	66½	67
United Ry St L 4s	70⅞	71
Western Union 4½s	99	99½
Westinghouse conv 5s	94½	94½
Wis Cent 4s	93	93½
West Shore 4s	100	101

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, March 18.—Closing quotations:

Allouez	41	Mohawk	54
Amal Copper	73⅝	Nev Con	19½
A Z L & Sm	27	Nip Mines	8
Ariz Com.	42	North Butte	28¼
B & CC & S M	7⅝	North Lake	68
Cal & Arizona	62½	Old Dominion	48½
Cal & Hecla	445	Osceola	112½
Centennial	19½	Quincy	78
C R Con Co	56	Shannon	12
E Butte C M	13	Superior	27¼
Franklin	13¼	Sup & Bos M	3½
Giroux Con	4⅝	Tamarack	28½
Granby Con	36	U S Sm R & M	38½
Greene Cananea	8 7-6	do preferred	48½
Isle Royalle	27⅝	Utah Con	16
Kerr Lake	2⅝	Utah Copper Co.	5½
Lake Copper	36½	Winona	8⅝
La Sal Cop	5	Wolverine	107
Miami Copper	23⅝		

SHORTS IN A FRIGHT

COVER WHEAT SALES BECAUSE OF FOREIGN SITUATION.

Half-Cent Advance at Chicago. Liverpool Stocks Reduced to One Million Bushels.

CHICAGO, March 18.—Two bogies today frightened short sellers of wheat, the coal strike threatening to interfere with grain supplies at Liverpool being one. The other was a rumor that a naval clash might close the Dardanelles. In consequence the market closed firm at ½@⅝c to ½c advance.

Reductions in stock, leaving only 1,000,000 bushels of wheat on hand at Liverpool, had an immediate bullish effect in Chicago. The fact that Minneapolis and Duluth receipts were heavy led to a quick drop in prices here, but strong interests took the buying side and forced an upturn. The advance was helped by world's shipments being much less than at the corresponding time a year ago. Including farm reserves, the amount of wheat in all positions in this country was estimated to be 25,000,000 bushels under the figures a year ago.

Fine weather made the corn market easy at first, but it afterwards developed that influential local buying had cleaned up all the pit surplus for sale.

Although improving prospects for farm work led to aggressive selling of oats, the market tightened later in view of the strength of other grain.

A better cash demand for meats furnished ground for an advance in the provision market. The list displayed little tendency to lag, and the close was about the topmost figure all round.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$1.01⅝	$1.02	$1.01	$1.01⅝
July	.98	.98⅝	.97½	.98⅛
Sept.	.95⅝	.96½	.95½	.95⅞
CORN.				
May	.69½	.70⅝	.69¼	.70⅜
July	.70½	.71⅛	.70	.71
Sept.	.70⅝	.71⅜	.70⅝	.71⅛
OATS.				
May	.52½	.53¼	.52⅝	.52⅞
July	.48⅝	.49	.48⅛	.48⅝
Sept.	.41½	.42	.41⅛	.41⅞
MESS PORK.				
May	16.00	16.22½	16.00	16.20
July	16.30	16.47½	16.30	16.45
Sept.	16.62½	16.80	16.55	16.80
LARD.				
May	9.42½	9.47½	9.40	9.47½
July	9.60	9.67½	9.55	9.67½
Sept.	9.77½	9.85	9.75	9.85
SHORT RIBS.				
May	8.97½	9.07½	8.97½	9.05
July	9.05	9.17½	9.05	9.15
Sept.	9.27½	9.37½	9.15	9.37½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Easy.

Rye—No. 2, 91@92c.

Barley—Feed or mixing, 70@95c.

Timothy seed—$11@14.51.

Clover seed—$16@22.25.

Pork—Mess, $15.87½.

Lard—In tierces, $9.32½.

Short ribs—Loose, $8.82½.

Grain statistics:

Total clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 225,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 667,000 bushels, compared with 566,000 bushels the corresponding day a year ago. The visible supply of wheat in the United States decreased 368,000 bushels for the week. The amount of breadstuff on ocean passage increased 4,152,000 bushels. Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 70 cars; corn, 537 cars; oats, 266 cars; hogs, 22,000 head.

San Francisco Grain Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—Spot quotations: Walla Walla, $1.62½ per cental; Red Russian, $1.60 per cental; Turkey red, $1.72@1.77½ per cental; bluestem, $1.65@1.67½ per cental.

Barley—Feed, $1.87½ per cental; brewing, $1.87½@1.90 per cental.

Oats—White, $1.82½ per cental.

Bran—$23.50 per ton.

Middlings—$32.50 per ton.

Shorts—$24.50 per ton.

April oats—$1.87 per cental.

Call board sales—

Wheat—December, $1.58¾ bid; $1.60 asked per cental.

Barley—December, $1.47¾; May, $1.85½.

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The visible supply of grain in the United States Saturday, March 16, as compiled by the New York Produce Exchange, follows:

	Bushels.	Decrease.
Wheat	54,380,000	1,368,000
Wheat in bond	5,081,000	*994,000
Corn	15,628,000	*484,000
Oats	13,719,000	516,000
Oats in bond	2,130,000	*310,000
Rye	939,800	45,000
Barley	2,619,000	33,000
Barley in bond	496,000	55,000

*Increase.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 18.—Wheat—May, $1.06; July, $1.07; September, $1. Cash: No. 1 hard, $1.07½; No. 1 Northern, $1.07; No. 2 Northern, $1.05; No. 3 wheat, $1.03.

Flax—$2.06½.

Barley—70c@$1.26.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, 67@67½c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 51¼@51¾c.

Rye—No. 2, 88@89c.

Puget Sound Grain Market.

TACOMA, Wash., March 18.—Wheat—Bluestem, 92c; fortyfold, 89c; club, 89c; red Russian, 87c. Car receipts—Wheat, 28; barley, 1; oats, 2; hay, 17.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 18.—Wheat—Bluestem, 91c; fortyfold, 88½c; club, 88c; fife, 88c; red Russian, 86c.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, March 18.—Cargoes, steady. Walla Walla wheat for shipment, 37s 6d. English and French country markets firm.

LIVERPOOL, March 18.—Wheat—March, 8s 3¾d; May, 7s 8¼d; July, 7s 5¾d. Weather cloudy.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., March 18.—The quotations committee of the Elgin butter board today declared butter firm at 29c. The output for the week was 800,000 pounds.

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