WOOL SELLS FREELY

Heavy Business Passing in New Washington Clip.

HALF OF IT DISPOSED OF

About 500,000 Pounds Bought This Week by Portland and Eastern Dealers—Price Over Cent Better Than Last Year.

Wool has been selling freely in Washington this week and about half of the clip has been disposed of. Between 400,000 and 500,000 pounds have been sold at Yakima, Ellensburg and other Northern Pacific points since the first of the week. Fine wool brought an average of 11½ cents. The prices paid for medium wools was not learned, but it is known that on the whole the growers received about 1 cent better than last year's prices.

The Yakima sheep are shorn early so as to reach the ranges before lambing time.

There has been a little shearing at scattered points in Eastern Oregon, but in general, shearing operations will not be under way before the middle of April. No Eastern Oregon sales have occurred this week.

Elsewhere in the West business in the new clip is quiet. Shearing of those sheep in Arizona, which were driven back to the range on account of adverse weather conditions a month ago, is reported in progress. In the vicinity of Phoenix more or less wool has been shorn, and some wool in this neighborhood has been bought at around a half dollar clean, f. o. b. Boston. Contracting on the sheep's back seems to have quieted down, for the time being at least, and the pool of southern wool at Ogden seems to have been abandoned through the refusal of dealers to bid.

DEMAND FOR OREGON HOPS CHECKED

Local Dealers Without Orders for Spot Goods on Contracts.

The demand for hops, both spot and future, seems to have flattened out again. Nearly all the local dealers are without orders at any price.

John Carmichael, the Salem representative of Wigan, Richardson & Co., of London, has moved his family to the hop ranch of the above-named firm, on the river bottom about four miles above Independence, where he will make his home. This is the largest hop ranch in the world, being that formerly owned by Krohn Bros., and sold recently to the London firm at a very good price.

English market conditions are reported by the Kentish Observer of March 14 as follows:

"There is no alteration in the market for hops. Trade is very quiet, but the tone continues very firm, and as soon as the usual Spring demand sets in, holders will advance their terms, and there will be no selling until these are conceded. Precisely the same situation rules the Continental and American markets, holders having the best of it everywhere. The imports of hops last week were 1019 cwt; in the corresponding week of 1911, 1232 cwt.; exports last week, 57 cwt., imports during February, 10,771 cwt., against 15,002 cwt. in 1911 and 10,926 cwt. in 1910."

MILL FEED LIST PRICES ARE RAISED

Local Mill Lifts Bran and Shorts Quotations a Dollar.

The condition of the local feed market is a subject of dispute among some of the grain men. The market, in certain quarters, is declared to be weak, but at the same time one of the local mills has advanced its list price a dollar a ton, quoting bran at $27 and shorts at $28. The reason given for the advance is the strong demand for mill feed from California, and the fact that the Northern mills are about to close down or go on half time, owing to lack of export flour orders.

The wheat market was quiet yesterday, but very firm. Oats were firm and unchanged.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	32	..	17	..	9
Tuesday	17	1	10	1	4
Wednesday	15	..	4	2	2
Thursday	16	..	7	1	3
Year ago	58	2	..	2	15
Sea. in date	11586	319	1974	1414	2250
Year ago	10516	527	1805	725	2506

FIFTEEN CARS OF BANANAS COMING

Local Market Will Be Overstocked Next Week.

Fifteen cars of bananas are in transit and due in Portland next week. As this is double the supply Portland usually gets, cheap prices can be looked for, as it will be necessary to work off the big shipment before the following week's supply comes in.

Produce receipts were light yesterday and trade was quiet. Among the day's arrivals was a full car of Mexican tomatoes, which were delivered in fine condition.

Several cars of oranges and a car of mixed vegetables are due today.

LOCAL STOCKS OF BUTTER SMALL

Market Keeps Well Cleaned Up and Is Firm.

The butter market continues firm and city creamery stocks are well cleaned up each day. Cheese is also very scarce and firm.

Eggs were quoted firm at 21 cents with an active local and shipping demand.

There was a fair supply of poultry on the street, most of which cleaned up at the preceding day's prices.

Dressed lambs were more plentiful and sold at 13@14 cents. Veal was steady at 12@12½ cents and pork was firm.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$2,047,195	$306,329
Seattle	3,111,279	256,878
Tacoma	688,727	75,160
Spokane	667,204	91,599

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem, $2@94c; club, 94c; red Russian, 89c; Valley, 90c; 40-fold, 92c.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $27 per ton; shorts, $28; middlings, $30.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.50 per barrel; straights, $4.05; exports, $3.90; Valley, $4.50; graham, $4.65; whole wheat, $4.85.

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

HAY—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, $14@18; No. 1 Valley, $12@14; alfalfa, $12@13; clover, $8@9; oat and vetch, $10@11.50; grain hay, $9.

OATS—No. 1 white, $34@34.50 per ton.

Vegetables and Fruits.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2.50@3.25; California grapefruit, $3.50@4; Florida grapefruit, $5.75@7; bananas, $1.25 @1.50 per bunch; lemons, $4.50@5.50 per box; pineapples, 6c per pound.

FRESH FRUITS—Almeria grapes, $5 per barrel; cranberries, $70@11.50 per barrel.

POTATOES—Buying prices: Burbanks, $1.50@1.75 per hundred; sweet potatoes, $3.25 per crate.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 75@90c per dozen; asparagus, $1.50@2.25 per crate; beans, 15@17½c; cabbage, 1¾@2¼c per pound; cauliflower, $2.25 crate; celery, $3.50 @4 per crate; cucumbers, $2@2.50 dozen; eggplant, 12½c per pound; garlic, 8@10c per pound; head lettuce, $2@2.25 per crate; hothouse lettuce, 75@$1 per box; peas, 12c per pound; peppers, 12½c per pound; radishes, 35c per dozen; rhubarb, California, $1.50@ 1.75 per box; spinach, $1.25@1.75 per box; sprouts, 8c; tomatoes, $3.75@2 per box.

ONIONS—Association price, $3.25 per sack.

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

APPLES—Yellow Newtown, $2@2.50; Spitzenbergs, $1.75@2; 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 pack, 33½c; prints, extra.

EGGS—Fresh Oregon ranch, 21c per dozen.

CHEESE—Oregon flats, 22c per pound; Young America, 23c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 8¼@9c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 12@12½c per pound.

POULTRY—Hens, 16@16½c; Springs, 16@ 16½c; ducks, 20c; geese, 12c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, 23@24c.

Staple Groceries.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.25 per dozen; ½-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, 15c; cocoanuts, 90c@ $1 per dozen; chestnuts, 12½c per pound; hickory nuts, 6@10c per pound.

HONEY—Choice, $2.75 per case; strained honey, 50c per pound.

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

BEANS—Small white, 4½@5c; large white, 4¾c; Lima, 7½c; pink, 3¾c; Mexican, 3¾c; bayou, 5c.

RICE—No. 1 Japan, 5¼c; cheaper grades, 4¾@5c; Southern head, 5¾@7c.

SUGAR—Dry granulated, $6.35; fruit and berry, $6.25; Honolulu plantation, $6.30; beet, $6.15; extra C, $5.85; powdered, barrels $6.60; cubes, barrels, $6.75.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 14c per pound; apricots, 16@18½c; peaches, 12@14c; prunes, Italians, 10½@10¾c; silver, 18c; figs, white and black, 6½@7c; currants, 10@11c; raisins, loose, Muscatel, 6¼@ 7½c; bleached Thompson, 11¼c; unbleached Sultanas, 8½c; seeded, 7½@8½c; dates, Persian, 6½c per pound; Fard, $1.60 per box.

Provisions.

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

LARD—Kettle rendered, tierces, 12½c; tubs, 12¾c; standard tierces, 11½c; tubs, 11¾c; shortening, tierces, 8½c; tubs, 8¾c.

BACON—Fancy, 25c; standard, 17½@ 18½c; English, 16@18½c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dryed, 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 experts, dry salt, 15c; smoked, 14c.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1911 crop, 28@29c; olds, nominal; 1912 contracts, 26c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 32c per pound.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 14@16c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 18@17c per pound.

PELTS—Dry, 11c; lambs, salted, 75@90c; short-wool pelts, 65@85c; butcher belts, Jan. take-off, 90c@$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, 3¾@4c.

GRAIN BAGS—In car lots, 7¾@8c.

Furs.

FURS—Portland prices for prime, well-handled skins, according to sizes: Mink, $4@8.50; raccoon, 90c@$1.50; skunk (narrow stripes), $1@2; skunk (broad stripes), 75c@$1.50; muskrat, 20@35c; gray fox, 75c @$1.50; red fox, $6@8.50; marten, $6@8; beaver, $6@8.50; fisher, $12@20; badger, 40c @$1; lynx cat, $3@5; wildcat, 75c@$1.50; otter, $16@14; lynx, $25@30; ringtail cats, 25@80c; civet cat, 10@25c; house cat, 5@ 20c; mountain lion, $5@10; bear, $7@12.

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, 72c; wood barrels, 69½c.

TOP GRADE STEERS UP

CHOICE LOAD BRINGS $6.65 AT NORTH PORTLAND.

Yards Are Cleared Early in the Day Under a Brisk Demand.

There was a good demand for all classes of livestock at the yards yesterday and everything on hand was cleaned up by noon. The market was firm all around.

Buyers took readily to the good supply of cattle offered and paid a 5-cent premium over the recent prices offered for top quality steers. One load of steers averaging 1131 pounds sold at $6.65. The bulk of steer sales was at $6.30. Cows ranged in price from $5 to $5.70, two loads bringing the latter figure. A number of bulls were sold at former prices.

Light hogs were taken at $7 and $7.25 and heavies at $6.

The principal sale in the mutton division was a large bunch of sheared lambs at $5.60. A few sheared wethers brought $4.

Receipts yesterday were 469 cattle, 157 hogs, 446 sheep and 9 horses.

Shippers were: Major Ross, Stockton, Cal., 1 car of horses; W. I. Dishman, who drove in 22 cows; J. Davis, Shedd, 1 car of sheep and hogs; W. Mariott, Heppner, 1 car of cattle; Rugg Bros., Echo, 4 cars of cattle; H. M. Kline, Stanfield, 1 car of cattle; Blackwell & De Armand, Ontario, 2 cars of cattle; Hibbs & Lewis, Idaho Falls, 2 cars of cattle; F. Bensinger, Nampa, 1 car of cattle; L. Kidwell, Rigby, Idaho, 4 cars of cattle; J. L. Cox, Eaton, Idaho, 4 cars of cattle and sheep, and Bruce Commission Company, who drove in 6 cattle.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Weight.	Price.
21 steers	1032	$6.50
28 steers	1129	6.30
25 steers	1057	6.30
28 steers	1059	6.30
26 steers	1123	6.60
1 steer	1312	6.00
22 steers	1351	6.50
1 steer	1200	5.50
2 steers	1000	5.00
22 steers	1419	6.65
25 cows	1095	5.40
23 cows	924	5.50
2 cows	1000	5.00
23 cows	1091	5.70
10 cows	981	5.70
14 cows	1082	5.70
3 bulls	1483	4.60
1 bull	1400	4.50
2 bulls	1205	4.50
5 bulls	1340	4.65
1 bull	1520	4.50
1 bull	1800	4.25
1 bull	1420	4.00
200 sheared lambs	79	5.60
9 sheared wethers	150	4.00
55 hogs	177	7.25
4 hogs	442	6.50
12 hogs	196	7.00

The range of prices at the yards was as follows:

Cattle—	
Choice steers	$6.50@$6.65
Good steers	6.25@ 6.40
Medium steers	4.00@ 6.25
Choice cows	5.50@ 5.75
Good cows	5.00@ 5.50
Medium cows	4.50@ 5.00
Choice calves	8.50@ 9.00
Good heavy calves	6.00@ 6.50
Bulls	4.25@ 5.00
Stags	4.75@ 6.00
Hogs—	
Light	6.90@ 7.25
Heavy	6.00@ 6.75
Sheep—	
Yearlings	5.50@ 6.00
Wethers	4.85@ 5.45
Ewes	4.50@ 4.75
Lambs	5.10@ 6.25

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, March 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 4500; market, slow and generally steady. Beeves, $3.30@8.65; Texas steers, $4.60@5.85; Western steers, $5.20@6.90; stockers and feeders, $4.30@6.50; cows and heifers, $2.60 @6.75; calves, $6@8.60.

Hogs—Receipts, 23,000; market, firm. Light, $7.45@7.80; mixed, $7.45@7.82½; heavy, $7.45@7.85; rough, $7.45@7.60; pigs, $5.25@7.25; bulk of sales, $7.65@7.80.

Sheep—Receipts, 16,000; market, steady to strong. Native, $4.20@6.15; Western, $4.25 @6.40; yearlings, $5.60@7; lambs, native, $5.75@7.80; Western, $6.25@8.10.

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, March 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 2000; market, steady to shade lower. Native steers, $5.30@7.90; cows and heifers, $3.50@6.25; Western steers, $4.40@6.85; Texas steers, $4.25@5.25; range cows and heifers, $3.25@5.10; canners, $2.80@4.00; stockers and feeders, $4.25@6.50; calves, $4 @8; bulls, stags, etc., $4.25@5.60.

Hogs—Receipts, 9800; market, steady to 5c higher. Heavy, $7.45@7.70; mixed, $7.30 @7.50; light, $7.15@7.55; pigs, $5.50@7.00; bulk of sales, $7.30@7.55.

Sheep—Receipts, 19,500; market steady. Yearlings, $5.60@6.60; wethers, $5.40@6.20; ewes, $4.75@5.75; lambs, $6.60@7.60.

Duluth Flax Market.

DULUTH, March 28.—Linseed in store, $2.10½. On track and to arrive, $2.11; March, $2.10½, nominal; May, $2.11; July, $2.10, nominal.

TONE IS CAUTIOUS

Stock Trading Hesitates and Dealings Are Smaller.

DUE TO STEEL FINANCING

Erratic Course of Standard Oil on the Curb—Harrimans Sell Off on Publication of February Earnings.

NEW YORK, March 28.—For the third successive session today's stock market recorded further hesitation, with dealings the smallest of the week.

Apparently sentiment continued to be adversely affected by the new financing of the United States Steel Corporation, although the bond sale is construed as notice that the 5 per cent dividend rate on the common shares is in no immediate danger of disturbance.

The market opened with advances of one point in Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Canadian Pacific, St. Paul and Great Northern ore certificates.

Harriman issues were conspicuous for their strength during the early session, but sold off on the publication of February earnings.

United States Steel, Amalgamated Copper and American Smelting, with other recent favorites, sold at lowest prices of the week. In the last hour prices improved all around.

On the curb one of the Standard Oil subsidiaries, the Standard Oil Company, of Kentucky, showed a rise over night of 150 points, advanced to 1000, from which it suddenly dropped to 550 and the last sale was at 600. The movement likely presages the declaration of a large stock bonus.

The bond market was steady. Total sales, par value, $2,441,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis Chal pf	1,200	4¾	4	4⅛
Amal Copper	66,700	80⅛	78¼	80⅛
Am Agricult	.....	.....	.....	32
Am Beet Sugar	4,400	61¼	60	61
American Can	2,200	21⅞	19⅞	20⅞
Am Car & Fdy	700	57	56¼	56¼
Am Cotton Oil	400	52⅞	52½	52⅞
Am Hd & Lt pf	200	24	23⅞	24⅛
Am Ice Securit	800	22⅛	22⅛	22
Am Linseed	.....	.....	.....	11½
Am Locomotive	500	39¼	38⅞	38¼
Am Smelt & Ref	32,900	86⅛	84⅛	80
do preferred	300	107	106⅞	109⅛
Am Steel Fdy	.....	.....	.....	30⅛
Am Sugar Ref	4,500	128⅞	126½	127⅞
Am Tel & Tel	3,400	148⅞	148⅛	148⅛
Am Tobacco pf	.....	.....	.....	104⅞
Am Woolen	.....	.....	.....	28⅛
Anaconda M Co	200	40⅛	40	40⅛
Atchison	11,200	108⅞	108⅛	108⅞
do preferred	600	103⅞	103⅛	103⅛
Atl Coast Line	200	139⅞	139	139⅛
Balt & Ohio	1,300	54⅞	53⅞	54⅛
Brook R Tran	11,200	81⅛	83⅞	84⅛
Canadian Pacific	4,700	235⅞	234	234⅞
Central Leather	600	23⅞	23⅛	23⅛
do preferred	200	89⅛	89⅛	89
Central of N J	200	369	365	370
Ches & Ohio	8,500	77⅞	77⅛	77⅛
Chicago & Alton	.....	.....	.....	22⅛
Chi Gt West	.....	.....	.....	18⅞
do preferred	100	37	37	36⅞
Chicago & N W	300	142⅛	142	142
C, M & St Paul	400	110⅛	109⅞	109⅞
C, C, C & St L	100	54⅛	54⅛	54
Col Fuel & Iron	800	30	29⅞	29
Col & Southern	.....	.....	.....	44
Consol Gas	6,300	146	144⅛	144⅞
Corn Products	3,100	15⅛	14⅞	15⅛
Del & Hudson	200	169⅞	169⅞	169
D & R Grande	700	23⅛	22⅞	23⅛
do preferred	200	44⅛	43⅞	43⅞
Distillers' Secur	400	32⅛	32	32⅛
Erie	22,700	37⅛	36⅛	37⅛
do 1st pf	3,200	56⅛	55	56
do 2d pf	.....	.....	.....	45⅛
Gen Electric	4,400	167⅞	165	164⅛
Gt North pf	4,000	133⅛	132⅛	132⅞
Gt North Ore	4,700	44	42	42⅛
Illinois Central	100	131⅛	131⅛	131⅛
Interbor Met	8,200	21	20	20⅛
do preferred	8,400	61⅛	59⅞	61
Inter Harvester	700	115	114	114
Inter Marine pf	5,200	25⅞	24⅞	25⅞
Int Paper	100	12	12	12⅛
Int Pump	700	30	30	29
Iowa Central	.....	.....	.....	11⅛
K C Southern	600	28	26	28
do preferred	100	65⅞	65	65
Laclede Gas	200	107⅛	107⅛	106⅞
Louis & Nash	700	156⅛	155⅞	156⅛
Minn & St L	500	22⅞	22	22
M, S P & S S M	500	137	136⅛	136⅛
Mo, Kan & Tex	1,000	30⅞	30	30⅛
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	64
Mo Pacific	10,600	47⅛	45⅞	46⅞
Nat Biscuit	.....	.....	.....	147⅛
National Lead	2,500	57⅞	56⅞	56⅞
N Ry Mex 2 pf	100	112⅞	112	112⅛
N Y Ont & Wes	200	39	38⅞	38⅞
Norfolk & West	4,400	119⅞	119	119⅞
North American	500	79⅞	79⅛	79⅛
Northern Pacific	7,900	122⅞	121⅛	122⅞
Pacific Mail	1,200	34⅛	33⅞	33⅛
Pennsylvania	3,700	124	123⅞	123⅞
People's Gas	100	107⅞	107⅞	107⅞
P, C C & St L	400	106	105⅞	105⅞
Pittsburg Coal	300	20⅛	20⅛	19⅞
Pressed S Car	600	34⅛	33⅞	33⅞
Pull Pal Car	300	160⅛	160	160
Ry Steel Spring	.....	.....	.....	32
Reading	103,900	161⅛	159⅞	160⅛
Republic Steel	1,500	22⅛	21⅞	21⅞
do preferred	800	72⅞	72⅛	82⅞
Rock Island Co	4,500	27⅛	26⅞	26⅞
do preferred	1,500	54⅞	53⅞	54⅛
St L & S F 2 pf	400	42⅞	41⅞	41⅞
St L Southwest	2,100	33⅛	32	32⅛
do preferred	600	74⅛	74⅛	74
Sloss Sheffield	100	46⅛	46⅛	46
Southern Pacific	32,200	114⅞	112⅞	114⅞
Southern Ry	7,800	30⅞	29⅞	30⅛
do preferred	1,800	76⅛	75⅞	76⅞
Tenn Copper	1,200	40	39⅛	39⅛
Texas & Pacific	3,600	34⅞	34⅛	34⅛
Tol, St L & Wes	100	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞
do preferred	200	32⅞	32⅞	32⅞
Union Pacific	97,600	171⅞	169⅞	171
do preferred	600	91⅞	91⅛	91⅛
U S Realty	700	77⅞	76⅞	76⅞
U S Rubber	2,200	55⅛	54⅛	54⅞
U S Steel	14,200	68⅞	67⅞	68
do preferred	1,700	112⅞	111⅞	112
Utah Copper	12,700	61⅞	60⅛	60⅞
Va-Caro Chem	500	53⅞	53⅞	53⅞
Wabash	900	7⅛	7	7⅛
do preferred	3,000	20	19⅞	19⅞
Western Md	1,000	62⅛	62⅛	62⅛
Westing Elec	9,000	78⅛	76⅞	77
Western Union	500	83⅛	82⅞	82
Wheel & L E	900	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛
Lehigh Valley	10,200	164⅞	163	164⅛
China Copper	9,200	29⅛	28⅞	28⅞
Ray Consols	16,200	19⅛	18⅞	19
Am Tobacco	300	257⅞	257	256

Total sales for the day, 801,400 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Closing quotations:

U S ref 2s reg	100⅛	N Y C gen 3½s	87
do coupon	100⅛	No Pacific 3s	69⅛
U S 3s reg	100⅞	No Pacific 4s	99⅞
do coupon	100⅞	Union Pacific 4s	100⅞
U S new 4s reg	114	Wis Central 4s	93⅞
do coupon	114	Japanese 4s	84⅛ B
D & R G 4s	90B		

Stocks at Boston.

BOSTON, March 28.—Closing quotations:

Allouez	46	Mohawk	61⅛
Amalg Copper	80⅛	Nevada Con	24⅛
A Z L & Sm	27	Nipissing Mines	8⅛
Arizona Com	4⅞	North Butte	35⅞
B & C C & S M	8	North Lake	8
Cal & Arizona	72	Old Dominion	53⅞
Cal & Hecla	465	Osceola	116
Centennial	20⅛	Quincy	13
Cop Ran Con Co	62⅛	Shannon	7⅛
E Butte Cop M	13⅞	Superior	29
Franklin	14⅞	Sup & Bos Min	3⅛
Giroux Con	3⅞	Tamarack	29
Granby Con	40⅛	U S S R & M	39⅛
Greene Cananea	9⅛	do preferred	49
I Royale (Cop)	27⅞	Utah Con	19⅛
Kerr Lake	7⅞	Utah Copper Co	61⅛
Lake Copper	46⅞	Winona	6⅞
La Salle Copper	5⅞	Wolverine	112
Miami Copper	25⅞		

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Money on call, steady, 2¾@2½ per cent; ruling rate, 2½; closing bid, 2½; offered at 2½.

Time loans, firmer; 60 days, 3¾@3½ per cent; 90 days, 3½@3¾ per cent; six months, 3¾ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 4@4½ per cent.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.84 for 60-day bills and at $4.8690 for demand.

Commercial bills, $4.83¼.

Mexican dollars, 47c.

Government and railroad bonds, steady.

LONDON, March 28.—Bar silver steady, 26 12-16d per ounce. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3½ per cent; for three months' bills, 3¾@3½ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—Sterling on London—sixty days, $4.84⅛; do, sight, $4.87⅛.

Drafts, sight 2½c, telegraph 5c.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Standard copper easy. Spot, 15.10@15.15c; March, 15.10 @15.20c; April, 15.10@15.20c; May, 15.15@ 15.25c; June, 15.15@15.30c; July, 15.15@ 15.35c. Local sales, 25 tons spot at 15.12½c. London easy. Spot £64 9s; futures, £65 18 3d. Arrivals reported at New York today, 280 tons. Custom-house returns show exports of 22,926 tons so far this month. Lake copper 15½@15¾c; electrolytic, 15½@15¾c; casting, 14⅞@15⅛c.

Tin weak. Spot, 42.50@42.58c; March, 42.50@42.58c; April, 42.10@42.50c; May, 41.30@42c; June, 41.35@42c; July, 41.20@ 41.75c. Local sales, five tons April at 42.25c. London weak. Spot, £193; futures, £189 5s.

Lead quiet, 4.30@4.40c New York; 4.10 @4.25c East St. Louis. London, £16 2s 6d.

Spelter quiet, 6.60@6.80c New York; 6.25c bid East St. Louis. London, £25 10s.

Antimony quiet; Cookson's, 8c.

Iron—Cleveland warrants, 51s 7½d in London. Locally iron was quiet. No. 1 foundry Northern, $15.25@15.75; No. 2, $14.75@ 15.25; No. 1 Southern and No. 1 Southern soft, $15.25@15.75.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—At the beginning of business today the condition of the United States Treasury was:

Working balance in Treasury of-	
Gold coin and bullion	$ 64,850,600
In banks and Philippine Treasury	32,581,508
Total balance in general fund	125,927,062
Ordinary receipts yesterday	2,295,914
Ordinary disbursements	780,908
Deficit to date this fiscal year	14,828,500
Deficit this time last year	1,428,152

These figures exclude Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Evaporated apples unchanged. Spot fancy, 9½@10½c; choice, 8¾@9¼c; prime, 7 @7¾c.

Prunes weak. Quotations range from 4⅝ to 10½c for Californias up to 20-40s and 8¼@11c for Oregons.

Peaches quiet. Choice, 10½@10¾c; extra choice, 11@11½c; fancy, 12@12½c.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

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

SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—The following produce prices were current here today:

Butter—Fancy creamery, 31c.

Eggs—Store, 19½c; fancy ranch, 21c.

Cheese—18@20c.

Onions—$2.60@2.75.

Fruit—Apples, choice, $1.35; common, 65c; Mexican limes, $5@5.50; California lemons, choice, $4; common, $1.25; navel oranges, $1@2.50; pineapples, $2@3.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, 65c@$1.50; green peas, 3@5c; string beans, 15c; asparagus, 75c@$1.25; tomatoes, nominal; eggplant, 10 @15c.

Hay—Wheat, $14@20; wheat and oats, $14@18; alfalfa, $12@15.

Potatoes—River Burbanks, $2@2.25; sweets, $2.50@2.65; Oregon Burbanks, $2.25 @2.50; Salinas, $2.75.

Receipts—Flour, 9470 quarter sacks; wheat, 470 centals; barley, 1133 centals; oats, 840 centals; potatoes, 4505 sacks; bran, 45 sacks; hay, 260 tons; wool, 74 bales.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Coffee futures closed steady, net six points lower to four points higher. March and April, 13.72c; May, 13.85c; June, 13.89c; July, 13.95c; August, 14c; September, 14.08c; October, 14.04c; November, 13.96c; December, 13.97c; January, 13.93c; February, 13.89c.

Spot steady—Rio No. 7, 14¾c; Santos No. 4, 16¾c. Mild dull; Cordova, 16@18½c nominal.

Raw sugar steady. Muscovado, 89 test, $3.86; centrifugal, 96 test, $4.36; molasses sugar, 89 test, $3.61. Refined, quiet.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Cotton closed barely steady at a net decline of 2 to 3 points. March, 10.47c; April, 10.43c; May, 10.53c; June, 10.58c; July, 10.64c; August, 10.63c; September, 10.63c; October, 10.70c bid; November, 10.72c; December, 10.75c; January, 10.77c; February, 10.71c.

Spot cotton closed quiet. Middling uplands, 10.65c; do, Gulf, 11.10c. Sales, 500 bales.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 28.—Turpentine firm, 48c. Sales, 110 barrels; receipts, 211 barrels; shipments, 366 barrels; stocks, 18,799 barrels.

Rosin firm. Sales, 648 pounds; receipts, 1100 pounds; shipments, 250 pounds; stocks, 72,500 pounds. Quote: B, $6.90; D, $6.95; E, $7.10; F, G, H, $7.15; K, $7.30; M, $7.60; N, $7.65; WG, $7.70; WW, $7.75.

Chicago Produce Market.

CHICAGO, March 28. — Butter—Steady; creameries, 27@30c; dairies, 23@27c.

Eggs—Weak; receipts, 19,078 cases; at mark, cases included, 19c; ordinary firsts, 19½c; firsts, 20c.

Cheese — Steady; daisies, 19½@19¾c; twins, 19¼@19½c; Young Americas, 19¾ @20c; long horns, 19¾@20c.

COUNTY DIVISION AGITATED

Estacada and Oregon City Commercial Clubs to Confer.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 28.—(Special.)—At the request of the Estacada Commercial Club, a conference between a delegation of 40 members of that organization and the Oregon City Commercial Club will be held in this city next Tuesday night regarding the proposed division of Clackamas county. The Oregon City club opposes the division, and its members believe they will be able to prove to the visitors that it would be detrimental to the interests of the county. The plan is to make Estacada the county seat of the new county.

It is contended by the Estacada residents that that section of the county has been discriminated against in the prorating of the tax money for road and other purposes. This is denied by the county officials, who say that in many instances that district has received more money than the taxes on property there amounted to.

The following letter has been received by M. D. Latourette, secretary of the Oregon City Commercial Club from R. M. Standish, secretary of the Estacada Commercial Club:

"A delegation from this club wishes to meet your club in open meeting with a view to the discussion of the 'county division' which is being agitated here. We would greatly appreciate an early date about the first of next week if convenient to you. On receipt of advices from you, we will arrange for a special car and about forty of us will make the trip."

Crater Park to Open Early.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 28.—(Special.) — Superintendent of the Crater Lake National Park, Frank Arant, expects to visit the Government headquarters early in April, unless the weather should be more severe from now on than anticipated. Last year Mr. Arant failed to get into the park to begin operations towards opening the headquarters until in June, but this season he anticipates being able to make the trip in April, and thinks the snow will be gone so that the road will be open for travel in good shape by the later part of May, while it was July last year before the snow allowed travel through the park with any degree of safety.

Weyerhaeusers Grant Pipe Right.

CENTRALIA, Wash., March 28.—(Special.)—City Engineer Stanley Macomber and two assistants, one from Centralia and one from Chehalis, left today to perform the preliminary work at the intake of the proposed municipal gravity water system at the headwaters of the Newaukum River. The water committees of the Twin Cities will refile their water rights tomorrow, the old rights expiring. W. B. Keir, Centralia city commissioner, returned from Tacoma last night where he succ