BIG ECHO CLIP SOLD

Cunha Crop 100,000 Pounds Brings 15 3-4 Cents.

KOSHLAND IS THE BUYER

Portland Mills Operating Freely in Eastern Oregon and Washington—Shearing Is Delayed by Rain.

Wool buying is being carried on steadily in the Eastern Oregon counties and the volume of trade is only restricted by the size of the offerings, which are necessarily small, as weather conditions have delayed shearing. Whenever a grower has his wool ready for market it is quickly taken up. Shearing operations, however, have been held back so generally that it is evident a very large part of the clip will be marketed at the regular sealed bid sales, the first of which will be held at Echo on May 29.

The largest transaction in the past week was the sale of the Cunha clip of 100,000 pounds at Echo. It brought 15¾ cents and the purchasers were J. Koshland & Co.

The Portland mills have been operating freely in the vicinity of Arlington, Goldendale and Roosevelt, making selections of the best clips.

Shearing continues in Utah and Nevada and is getting under way again in Arizona, where it is estimated by the Boston Commercial Bulletin that about 500,000 pounds has up to date been moved, out of a total clip of about 3,000,000 pounds. Some little business has been done in Utah at prices prevailing during the last two weeks. The season is backward throughout the entire country. Some Middle County California wools are reported sold during the week in the range of 12@14 cents. In the vicinity of Rawlins, Wyo., a clip is reported to have been sold on the clean landed Boston basis of 38 cents. Texas is beginning to shear, but no sales of any moment as yet reported. Montana appears to be still quiescent.

In the three sections little new is reported. One sale of two or three cars direct to a Philadelphia mill of medium wool—rejections out—is reported on the basis of 23½ cents f. o. b. cars. Offers of average Michigan wools are reported from growers to dealers at 25½ cents for medium—rejections out—and 19 cents for delaine, fine unwashed and rejections. In Ohio and Pennsylvania there has been little done as yet, growers and dealers being quite a distance apart on prices, the former in some instances demanding 25 cents for medium wools, while the latter are willing to pay 20 cents for medium wools and 18 cents for fine fleeces.

ORDERS FROM SOUND FOR BUTTER

Wide Range of Prices Quoted in Face of Shipping Demand.

There was no change yesterday in the local butter situation. The battle was still on between the bulls and the bears and both sides are waiting to see which gives up the sooner. The bears have the advantage in making city sales, but the bulls are encouraged by the demand for butter from outside points and the statistical strength of the market. There was inquiry from both Seattle and Tacoma for cubes. The California market was firm, but there was no session of the San Francisco exchange, as it was a holiday. Front-street commission men, with outside creamery butter on hand, would not sell under 24½ cents and regarded the market as strong, based on the good local and shipping demand.

The cheese market was firm and there will be no change in price this week.

Eggs, poultry and dressed meats were quiet and rather easy in tone.

SMALL LOTS OF WHEAT ARE SELLING

Buying Is at Prices Under Those Lately Current.

It is not easier to buy wheat from farmers than it was a week or two ago, when the market was active, but other holders are not so bullish and a few small lots are selling at prices a cent or so under those lately current. The aggregate volume of trade is not extensive.

The oats market is also quiet and prices are fairly steady. What buying is being done in the country is on the basis of $29.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	60	1	16	3	10
Tuesday	48	2	8	1	7
Wednesday	16	2	6	1	5
Thursday	18	1	8	3	7
Year ago	13	1	8	3	14
Sea'n to date	12,651	361	2213	1492	2536
Year ago	11,144	614	2088	804	2615

BANNER YEAR FOR HOP ROOT SALES

Over Three Million Are Sold in the Coast States.

SALEM, Or., May 2.—(Special.)—With the sale of over 3,000,000 hop roots in California, Oregon and Washington, C. A. Endicott, the leading dealer in hop roots here, declares that in Oregon this year there is an increased hop acreage of from 5000 to 7000 acres. He estimates the increase in California as nearly the same and an increase of from 2000 to 4000 acres in Washington.

"This has been a banner year for the sale of hop roots," stated Mr. Endicott. "Heavy orders have come in recently, but the season on roots is practically closed and they cannot be filled, although yesterday I made a shipment of 50,000 roots to California. The new acreage along the coast will be large. Last year the new acreage hardly balanced up to the yards that were abandoned.

"California is still ordering roots, but there are none left. Indications this year, with a normal season, point to at least 100,000 bales, and with a season above the normal, from 110,000 to 120,000 bales. California will probably go ahead of last year in the size of its crop, owing to the heavy rains.

DEALERS WELL STOCKED WITH MOHAIR

Disposed to Buy Only at Lower Quotations Now.

The mohair season is over, so far as pool sales are concerned, but there is still a considerable quantity unsold in the country. It is estimated that about a third of the clip is still in farmers' hands.

The local dealers and the mills seem to be well stocked with high-priced mohair, and as a consequence are disposed to buy now only at lower figures. The price offered in the country yesterday was 24 cents. Growers are not responding to the lower bids and buying is, therefore, on a small scale. Nominal quotations in Boston on Oregon mohair are 25@27 cents, and dealers figure it takes 3 cents to handle the business and pay all freight and other charges.

FOREIGN HOP MARKETS ARE FIRMER

Prices Show Advancing Tendency in England and Germany.

Improvement is apparent in the foreign hop markets. The following cable was received from London yesterday:

"Market firm. Growers are not sellers. Brewers show more disposition to buy."

A German cable said the Continental markets were firm at the advance.

There was no business doing in any of the Coast markets. No orders were reported by local dealers.

EIGHT CARS OF BANANAS ARRIVE

Straight Car of Florida Tomatoes Is Also Received.

Eight cars of bananas arrived last night, also a straight car of Florida tomatoes. Receipts earlier in the day were a car each of Texas onions and a car of cabbage. The onions were quoted at $2.40 on browns and $3 on whites.

Illinois hothouse tomatoes were on sale at 35 cents a pound.

Florida strawberry receipts were liberal, but sales were slow because of cool weather and the condition of the fruit. Jessies were quoted at $2 and Dollars at $2.50 a crate.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$2,951,099	$258,334
Seattle	1,720,618	200,392
Tacoma	732,857	86,696
Spokane	842,104	76,959

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem, $1.06; club, $1.01; red Russian, $1; Valley, $1.01; 40-fold, $1.02.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $24 per ton; shorts, $26; middlings, $31.

FLOUR — Patents, $5.10 per barrel; straights, $4.70; exports, $4.20; Valley, $3.10; graham, $3.10; whole wheat, $5.10.

CORN—Whole, $30; cracked, $30 per ton.

HAY—Timothy, $16@17; alfalfa, $12.50@13; clover, $8.50; oats and vetch, $10.50@11; grain hay, $9.

OATS—No. 1 white, $30@40 per ton.

Vegetables and Fruits.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2.50@3.25; California grapefruit, $3.50@4; Florida grapefruit, $5.75@700; lemons, $4@5 per box; pineapples, 6c per pound.

FRESH FRUIT—Strawberries, $2@2.50 per crate; cranberries, $8@10 per barrel; apples, $1.25@3 per box.

POTATOES — Jobbing prices, Burbanks, old, $1.50@1.65 per hundred; new California, 5c per pound.

ONIONS—Bermuda, $2.50@3 per crate.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 75@90c per dozen; asparagus, California, $1.25@2 per crate; beans, 22½c; cabbage, 3@3½c pound; cauliflower, $2.75 per crate; celery, $5@6 per crate; cucumbers, $1@1.50 dozen; eggplant, 25c per pound; head lettuce, $1.75 per crate; hothouse lettuce, 75@$1 per box; peas, 8@9c pound; peppers, 25c pound; radishes, 15@20c per dozen; rhubarb, 2½@3c per pound; spinach, 4@5c per pound; tomatoes, $4.50 per box; garlic, 8@10c per pound.

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

Dairy and Country Produce.

Butter—Oregon creamery butter; solid pack, 23½@25c per pound.

EGGS—Fresh Oregon ranch, candled, 21c per dozen; case count, 20½c.

CHEESE—Oregon flats, 12c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 10½@11c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 11@11½c per pound.

POULTRY—Hens, 15c; Springs, 15c; broilers, 25@30c; ducks, 20c; geese, 11c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, 25c.

Staple Groceries.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.25 per dozen; 8-pound talls, $2.05; 1-pound flats, $2.40; Alaska pink, 1-pounds talls, $1.35.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 25½@40c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 16@16½c per pound; Brazil nuts, 14@16c; filberts, 14@16c; almonds, 17@21c; pecans, 18c; cocoanuts, 90c@$1 per dozen; chestnuts, 12½c per pound; hickory nuts, 6@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@5c; large white, 4½c; Lima, 7½c; pink, 5½c; Mexican, 5½c; bayou, 5c.

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

SUGAR—Dry granulated, $6.05; fruit and berry, $6.05; Honolulu plantation, $6; beet, $5.85; extra C, $5.55; powdered, barrels, $6.30; cubes, barrels, $6.45.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 14c per pound; apricots, 16@18½c; peaches, 12@14c; prunes, Italians, 10½@10¾c; silver, 18c; 4gs, white and black, 6½@7c; currants, 14@16c; raisins, loose, Muscatel, 6¼@7½c; bleached Thompson, 11¼c; unbleached Sultanas, 8½c; seeded, 7½@8½c; dates, Persian, 8½c per pound; Fard, $1.60 per box.

Provisions.

HAMS—All sizes, 17@18c; skinned, 17½@18c; picnics, 12c; boiled, 26½c.

BACON—Fancy, 23½@26¼c; choice, 20½@21½c.

DRY SALT MEATS—Backs, dry salt, 11½@12½c; backs, smoked, 12@14c; bellies, dry salt, 13½c; bellies, smoked, 15c.

LARD—Tierce basis. Choice, 12¾c; compound, 9c; leaf, 3-lb. pails, $8.50 per case.

MISCELLANEOUS—Pigs feet, kits, $1.35; sliced beef, insides, $23 per case; dried beef, insides, 28c per pound; Summer sausage, 25c; bologna, canvas back, 10c; minced ham, 12c.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1911 crop, 30@31½c; olds, nominal; 1912 contracts, 2*@20c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 30½@36c per pound.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 16@17½c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 18@19c per pound.

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

HIDES—Salted hides, 10½@10¾c per pound; salted calf, 20@21c; 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, 8.20@8.25c.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

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

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—The following produce prices were current here today:

Fruit—Apples, choice, $1.00; common, 65c; Mexican limes, $4@5.50; California lemons, choice, $4; common, $1.25; navel oranges, $1@2.50; pineapples, $2.50@3.50.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 24c.

Eggs—Store 19c; fancy ranch, 20½c.

Cheese—15@15½c.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, 50c@$1.00; green peas, 3@4½c; string beans, 10@15c; asparagus, $1.25@1.50; tomatoes, nominal; eggplant, nominal.

Potatoes—River Burbanks, $1.50@1.65; sweets, $2.75@3; Oregon Burbanks, $1.75@2.25.

Hay—Wheat, $15.50@20; wheat and oats, $14@19; alfalfa, $12@14.

Receipts — Flour, 8260 quarter sacks; wheat, 1885 centals; barley, 5405 centals; oats, 440 centals; potatoes, 4765 sacks; middlings, 300 sacks; hay, 375 tons; wool, 181 bales.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Standard copper weak, spot, May, June and July, 15.40@15.90c; August, 15.50@15.75c; September, 15.50@15.87½c. London quiet; spot £60 7s 6d; futures, £59 2s 6d. Arrivals reported at New York today, 270 tons. Custom house returns show exports of 80 tons so far this month. Lake copper 16¼@16¾c; electrolytic, 16@16¼c; casting, 15¾@15¾c. Local sales, 100 tons September over at 15.55c; 50 tons September, at 15.52½c.

Tin weak; spot, 45.85@46.00c; May, 45.60@45.70c; June, 45.30@45.45c; July, 44.80@44.90c; August, 44.50@44.55c; September, 44.60@44.40c. London weak; spot £120 10s; futures, £296 1s. Local sales, five tons May at 45.70c; five tons July at 45.62½c; five tons July at 44.90c; five tons August at 44.50c; 25 tons July at 44.75c; 50 tons August at 44.50c.

Lead steady; 4.10@4.20c New York; 4.00@4.10c East St. Louis. London, £16 10s.

Iron, Cleveland warrants, 54s 1½d in London. Locally iron quiet and steady. No. 2 foundry, Northern, $15.25@15.75; No. 2, $15@15.50; No. 1 Southern and No. 1 Southern soft, $15.25@15.75.

Antimony quiet; Cookson's, 8.00c.

Spelter quiet; 6.80@6.90c New York; 6.65@6.75c East St. Louis. London, £25 15s.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Coffee futures closed steady net unchanged to two points lower. May, 13.50c; June, 13.60c; July, 13.67c; August, 13.76c; September, 13.83c; October and November, 13.82c; January, 13.80c; February, 13.79c; March and April, 13.82c.

Spot quiet; Rio No. 7, 14½c; Santos No. 4, 16c. Mild quiet; Cordova, 16@18½c nominal.

Raw sugar steady. Muscovado, 89 test, 3.35c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.05c; molasses sugar, 89 test, 3.30c. Refined quiet.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., May 2.—Turpentine, firm, 48½@49c. Sales, 46; receipts, 808; shipments, 62; stocks, 19,614.

Rosin firm. Sales, 1906; receipts, 1790; shipments, 250; stocks, 48,408. Quote: B, $6.40; D, $6.60; E, $6.80; F, G, H, I, K, M, $7.00; N, $7.02½; WG, $7.05; WW, $7.07½.

London Wool Sales.

LONDON, May 2.—The wool auctions were continued today with offerings of 14,380 bales. Merinos were firm and especially West Australian and South Australian and crossbreds were steady except qualities suitable for America, which were easy owing to the slackened demand.

STRONG IN PLACES

Undertone of Stock Market Good, but Trade Is Dull.

SPECULATORS HOLD OFF

Steel Recovers From the Bad Effect Produced by the Quarterly Report—Reading Continues Its Climb.

NEW YORK, May 2.—The stock market today was dull and uninteresting. The undertone was firm and in places strong, but speculative interest was light, with an absence of public participation. Active dealings were restricted to speculative favorites.

Reading rose to 177¾ with a sympathetic rise in Lehigh Valley.

Steel seemed to have recovered from the chill produced by its unfavorable report and resumed first place in the list. Specialties were conspicuous, some advancing two, three and even four points.

Stagnation overtook the list in the early afternoon, after another rise in Reading and American Can.

Greater strength and activity in Steel was the feature of the last hour. Advices from trade centers said another advance in finished products was contemplated. Prices shaded in the final dealings, but the closing was steady.

The recent light demand for money continued, although the cash movement to interior ports was unabated. Today's outflow included another telegraphic transfer of $500,000 to the Pacific Coast.

Bonds manifested a better tone, but price changes were unimportant, aside from the Wabash refunding 4s, which made a moderate advance. Total sales, par value, $2,421,000. United States Government bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Bid.
Allis Chal pf	.....	.....	.....	31½
Amal Copper	16,600	83⅝	82¾	82¾
Am Agricult	100	61	61	60½
Am Beet Sugar	4,700	39¼	39¼	40¾
American Can	46,000	41	38¾	40¼
American Car	6,000	91	89½	90½
Am Car & Fdy	800	60¾	60¼	60¾
Am Cotton Oil	3,000	55¾	54¾	55¾
Am Hd & Lt pf	.....	.....	.....	20
Am Ice Securi	10,000	23¾	23¼	23¾
Am Linseed	300	15	14¾	14¾
Am Locomotive	2,400	44¾	44¼	44¾
Am Smelt & Ref	19,200	88¾	86¾	86¾
do preferred	200	108	107¾	108
Am Steel Fdy	.....	.....	.....	37¾
Am Sugar Ref	5,200	130½	129½	130
Am Tel & Tel	300	146¾	146¾	146¾
Am Tobacco pf	300	104¾	104¼	104¾
Am Woolen	.....	.....	.....	28
Anaconda M Co	1,250	42¾	42¾	42¾
Atchison	2,200	107¾	107¼	107¾
do preferred	300	103¼	103¼	103¼
Atl Coast Line	100	141	141	140¾
Balt & Ohio	3,600	111¾	111	111¾
Bethlehem Steel	2,800	39¾	38¾	39¾
Brook R Trans	2,300	84¾	83¾	83¾
Canadian Pacific	3,500	256¾	254¾	255¾
Central Leather	700	27	26¾	26¾
do preferred	100	94¾	94¾	94¾
Central of N J	.....	.....	.....	395
Ches & Ohio	500	79¾	79¼	79¾
Chicago & Alton	.....	.....	.....	21
Chi Gt West	100	19¾	19¾	19¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	100¾
Chicago & N W	600	142	141¾	142
C, M & St Paul	1,600	110¾	109¾	109¾
C, C, C & St L	.....	.....	.....	61
Col Fuel & Iron	.....	.....	.....	23¾
Col & Southern	.....	.....	.....	44
Consol Gas	12,100	145¾	144¾	145½
Corn Products	700	16½	16¼	16¼
Del & Hudson	.....	.....	.....	172
D & R Grande	.....	.....	.....	22¾
do preferred	300	41¾	41¾	41¾
Distillers' Secur	500	33	32½	32¼
Erie	3,400	36¾	36¼	36¾
do 1st pf	200	55¾	55¼	55¾
do 2d pf	.....	.....	.....	44
Gen Electric	14,800	170	169¼	169
Gt North pf	1,900	132¾	132¼	132½
Gt North Ore	200	40¾	40	40
Illinois Central	200	129½	129½	129½
Interboro Met	900	19¾	19¾	19¾
do preferred	1,500	58¾	57¾	57¾
Inter Harvester	900	117	116¼	116¾
Inter Marine pf	500	19¾	19	19¾
Int Paper	3,200	15¾	15	15¾
Int Pump	2,600	31¾	30¼	30¾
Iowa Central	.....	.....	.....	12¾
K C Southern	200	25¾	25¾	25½
do preferred	100	60¾	60¾	60¾
Lacleede Gas	400	107	106¾	106¾
Louis & Nash	1,400	160¼	159¾	159¾
Minn & St L	500	23¾	22¾	23
M, S P & S S M	200	141	140	140
Mo, Kan & Tex	.....	.....	.....	29
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	61¾
Mo Pacific	9,400	43¾	42¾	42¾
Nat Biscuit	700	158¾	157¼	158
National Lead	2,700	58¾	58	58
N Y Air Brake pf	.....	.....	.....	50½
N Y Central	7,500	120¾	119¾	119¾
N Y, Ont & Wes	.....	.....	.....	39¾
Norfolk & West	1,500	113¼	113	113¼
North American	700	85¾	85¼	85¾
Northern Pac	1,600	121¾	121	121
Pacific Mail	300	32¾	32¼	32¾
Pennsylvania	13,600	126¼	125¾	126
People's Gas	1,100	111¾	110¾	111
P, C, C & St L	1,900	108	107¼	107¾
Pittsburg Coal	700	22¾	21¾	21¾
Pressed S Car	100	56	56	56
Pull Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	160
Ry Steel Spring	100	36¼	36¼	36¼
Reading	80,400	177¾	175¾	176¾
Republic Steel	300	24¾	24	24
do preferred	200	89¼	89¼	89¼
Rock Island Co	2,900	29¼	28¾	28¾
do preferred	700	57¾	57	56¾
St L & S F 2d pf	300	39¾	39	39½
St L Southwest	.....	.....	.....	22¾
do preferred	100	36¼	36¼	36¼
Sloss-Sheffield	1,000	51½	49¾	52
Southern Pacific	2,100	112¾	112	112¾
Southern Ry	500	29¾	29¼	29¾
do preferred	200	74¾	74¼	74¾
Tenn Copper	1,500	45¼	44¼	44¾
Texas & Pacific	.....	.....	.....	24¾
Tol, St L & Wes	100	15¾	15¾	14¾
do preferred	400	34¾	34¾	34¾
Union Pacific	16,500	173¾	172¾	173¾
do preferred	200	91¼	91¼	91
U S Realty	100	75	75	75
U S Rubber	900	59¼	59	58¾
U S Steel	109,400	72	70¾	70¾
do preferred	100	115¾	115¾	112¾
Utah Copper	1,100	63¾	63¾	63½
Va-Caro Chem	2,500	52¼	51¾	51¾
Wabash	.....	.....	.....	8¾
do preferred	400	21	20¾	20¾
Western Md	400	63	63	61
Westing Elec	900	74¼	73½	76¼
Western Union	300	83¾	83¼	83¾
Wheel & L E	.....	.....	.....	7¾
Lehigh Valley	11,500	170¼	169	169¾
Chino Copper	1,300	29¾	29¼	29¾
Ray Consols	9,000	19¾	19¼	19¾
Am Tobacco	1,500	249	245	248½

Total sales for the day, 515,700 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Closing quotations:

U S Ref 2s reg	100½	N Y C gen 3½s	86½
do coupon	100¾	Nor Pac 3s	69¾
U S 3s reg	102¼	Nor Pac 4s	99¾
do coupon	102¼	Union Pac 4s	101¾
U S new 4s reg	114	Wis Cent 4s	92¾
do coupon	114¼	Japanese 4s	88
D & R G 4s	88½		

Stocks at Boston.

BOSTON, May 2.—Closing quotations:

Allouez	45	Miami Cop	25
Amal Cop	82¾	Mohawk	62
Am Z L & S	29¾	Nev Con	22½
Ariz Com	5¾	Nipissing Mines	7¾
B & C C & S M	7¾	North Butte	29
Cal & Ariz	72½	North Lake	7¾
Cal & Hec	849	Old Dom	53
Centennial	24	Osceola	117
Cop R Con Co	60½	Quincy	89¾
E Butte C M	13¾	Shannon	14¼
Franklin	13	Superior	36
Giroux Con	6	Sup & Bos Min	2¾
Granby Con	57½	Tamarack	42
Greene Can	8¾	U S S R & M	37
Isle Roy Cop	27¾	Utah pfd	44½
Kerr Lake	7¾	Utah Con	13¾
Lake Copper	4¼	Winona	64

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—At the beginning of business today the condition of the United States Treasury was:

Working balance in Treasury offices, $83,586,209; in banks and Philippine Treasury, $32,480,509; total balance in general fund, $125,257,907.

Ordinary receipts, $1,987,568, with ordinary disbursements, $2,191,989.

Deficit to date this fiscal year is $12,784,561, as against a surplus of $892,216 at this time last year.

These figures exclude Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Money on call steady, 2¼@2½ per cent; ruling rate, 2½; closing bid, 2¼; offered at 2½.

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

Prime mercantile paper, 4@4½ per cent.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8425 for 60-day bills and at $4.8600 for demand.

Commercial bills, $4.836.

Mexican dollars, 48c.

Government and railroad bonds, steady.

Bar silver, 48c.

LONDON, May 2.—Bar silver, steady, 25½d per ounce; money, 2¾@2¾ per cent; rate of discount on short bills, 3@3 1-16 per cent; do, three months' bills, 3@3 1-16 per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.84¼; do, sight, $4.86¾.

Silver bars, 61c. Mexican dollars, nominal; drafts, sight, par; do, telegraph, 2 per cent.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Evaporated apples quiet. Prices steady for prompt delivery. Futures market was easier. Spot fancy, 9½@10½c; choice, 8¼@9c; prime, 7¾@8c.

Prunes steady. Better demand. Quotations: 4 to 9½c for Californias up to 30-40s and 7 to 10¾c for Oregons.

Peaches firm. Improved jobbing demand. Choice, 10½@10¾c; extra choice, 11@11½c; fancy, 11¾@12c.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Cotton futures closed firm. Bids: May and June 11.06, July 11.18, August 11.19, September 11.14, October 11.23, November 11.24, December 11.32, January 11.37, February 11.27, March 11.33.

Spot closed quiet and unchanged. Mid-uplands 11.40; do gulf, 11.65. Sales (delivered on contract) 12,300 bales.

Chicago Produce Market.

CHICAGO, May 2.—Butter, steady. Creameries, 28@31c; dairies, 24@28c.

Eggs, weak; receipts, 31,762 cases; at mark, cases included, 17½c; ordinary firsts, 16½c; firsts, 17½@18c.

Cheese, steady. Daisies, 16¾@17c; Twins, 16½@16¾c; Young Americas, 17@17¼c; Long Horns, 16¾@16¾c.

STOCK RUN IS LARGER

TRADE IMPROVES IN VOLUME AT NORTH PORTLAND.

Buying Is Chiefly in the Sheep and Hog Divisions—Prices Are Well Maintained.

The livestock supply at the yards yesterday was the best of the week, aggregating over 2200 head, but a good part of the arrivals came too late to be included in the day's trading. Except for a load each of steers and calves, the buying was all in the hog and sheep divisions.

Hogs in large and small lots were disposed of at $8.25 to $8.40 for light and $7 to $7.50 for heavy weights.

The bulk of the mutton stock handled was shorn, yearlings bringing $5.25 to $5.50 and ewes $4.50 and $4.75. A few wool yearlings sold at $6.25. Spring lambs brought $7.25.

For steers $6.90 was paid. Calves had a range in the day sales of $7 to $8.65.

Receipts yesterday were 217 cattle, 40 calves, 347 hogs, 1594 sheep and 24 horses. Among the shippers were J. E. Cherry, Caldwell, 1 car of horses; J. A. Martin, Shelley, 2 cars of hogs; C. S. Walker, Joseph, 2 cars of cattle; D. T. Ketchum & Son, Simonax, 2 cars of sheep; F. E. Reed, Billings, 1 car of hogs; F. I. Hibbs, McMinnville, 1 car of sheep and hogs; A. R. Ford, Sheridan, 1 car of cattle and hogs; A. R. Gale, Amity, 1 car of sheep, and C. E. Lucke, Canby, 1 car of cattle.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Weight.	Price.
6 calves	160	$7.00
26 calves	144	8.65
2 calves	159	7.00
6 calves	185	8.50
25 hogs	200	8.30
7 hogs	237	7.25
16 hogs	211	7.50
1 hog	250	8.30
96 hogs	180	8.40
3 cows	950	5.00
150 sheared sheep	88	4.75
12 Spring lambs	58	7.25
6 wool yearlings	93	6.25
24 sheared yearlings	88	5.50
188 sheared yearlings	99	5.60
226 sheared ewes	89	4.75
25 steers	1242	6.90
11 sheared ewes	114	4.50
21 wool yearlings	113	6.25
37 sheared yearlings	100	5.25
10 hogs	168	8.25
2 hogs	165	8.25
6 wool yearlings	96	5.40
1 hog	560	7.00
6 hogs	298	7.25
7 hogs	200	8.25
7 hogs	172	8.25
70 hogs	164	8.25

The range of prices at the yards was as follows:

Choice steers	$6.50@$7.20
Good steers	6.25@6.60
Medium steers	6.00@6.25
Choice cows	5.50@6.25
Good cows	5.00@5.50
Medium cows	4.50@5.00
Choice calves	5.50@8.65
Good heavy calves	8.00@8.50
Bulls	5.50@5.50
Stags	4.75@6.25
Hogs—	
Light	8.00@8.50
Heavy	7.00@7.75
Sheep—	
Yearlings	5.25@6.25
Wethers	5.00@5.50
Ewes	4.00@5.25
Lambs	4.50@6.00
Spring lambs	6.00@7.50

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, May 2.—Cattle — Receipts, 6000; market, slow. Beeves, $5.90@9.00; Texas steers, $5.35@7.35; Western steers, $5.65@7.70; stockers and feeders, $4.25@6.75; cows and heifers, $2.55@7.65; calves, $5.50@8.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 32,000; market, weak to 5c lower. Light, $7.25@7.70; mixed, $7.20@7.77½; heavy, $7.20@7.80; rough, $7.20@7.50; pigs, $4.75@6.85; bulk of sales, $7.55@7.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; market, slow. Native, $5@8.25; Western, $5.25@8.30; yearlings, $6.50@9.10; lambs, native, $6.50@9.85; Western, $6.50@10.60.

Omaha Livestock Market.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., May 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 2500; market, steady. Native steers, $6.30@8.50; cows and heifers, $3.30@7.50; Western steers, $4.80@7.75; Texas steers, $4.50@6.25; range cows and heifers, $3@6.25; canners, $2.75@4.25; stockers and feeders, $4.25@7.25; calves, $4@7.50; bulls, stags, etc., $4.40@6.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,300; market, steady to 5c higher. Heavy, $7.35@7.75; mixed, $7.40@7.55; light, $7.25@7.60; pigs, $6@7.25; bulk of sales, $7.45@7.60.

Sheep—Receipts, 7000; market, slow and steady. Yearlings, $7.75@8.75; wethers, $7.25@8; ewes, $6@7.50; lambs, $9@10.50.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, May 2.—Wool—Steady. Territory and Western mediums, 16@18c; fine mediums, 12@17c; fine, 10@15c.

Hops at New York.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Hops steady.

USE OF GARBS CENSURED

Free Methodists Want Religious Dress Stopped in Indian Schools.

Resolutions were adopted at the meeting of the Oregon Conference of the Free Methodist Church, in session in the Central Church, East Fifty-fifth and East Flanders streets, yesterday, demanding that the Federal Government require teachers to discontinue the use of the garbs of their religion while teaching in the Government Indian schools. The action of President Taft in ordering the recalling of the order of Commissioner Valentine that the teachers employed in these schools do not wear the garb of their religion called out the resolution. It was the sense of the conference that the order of Commissioner Valentine should stand and that the President be requested to withdraw his order. The resolution will be transmitted to the President.

Division of the Oregon Conference into Northern and Southern Oregon conferences was made effective yesterday by the election of Rev. W. N. Coffee, presiding elder of the Northern Conference. Mr. Coffee has been serving as presiding elder of the whole conference for the past year. The newly-formed Southern Oregon Conference will meet at Medford next Wednesday.

Bishop Hogue, presiding, delivered an address at the conference yesterday morning. Rev. S. H. Upton, of Minnesota, preached yesterday afternoon, and Rev. M. A. Clark, of Everett, Wash., missionary from India, spoke last night. President Alexander Beers, of the Seattle Seminary, and Rev. W. F. Matthewson, missionary from Japan, are attending the conference.

A large cheese, weighing more than 12,000 pounds, recently was made in Wisconsin for exhibition purposes.

BUYERS ARE SCARCE

Wheat Prices Sag for Lack of Demand.

LOSSES IN LAST FIGURES

Government Report, Estimating Wheat Crop at 72,000,000 Bushels Less Than Last Year, Does Not Check Decline.

CHICAGO, May 2.—Despite a private forecast that the Government report would suggest a Winter crop 72,000,000 bushels less than a year ago, the wheat market today sagged because of lack of buyers. Closing prices ranged from last night's level to ⅝@⅞c below.

Something of a selling flurry started in the wheat pit, owing to an official statement implying that the Kansas crop would amount to 82,000,000 bushels, notwithstanding recent advices that damage has been severe. The mild, fine growing weather which prevailed over the entire Winter wheat belt also counted against the bulls.

There was a sharp rally in quotations when an authoritative estimate appeared, putting the Winter crop at 358,000,000 bushels, but the market grad