SOUTH IN MARKET

California Wheat Demand Is Earlier Than Expected.

GOOD BUSINESS IS WORKED

Prices Firmer With Opening Up of Coastwise Trade—Bluestem Sells Up to 96 1-2 Cents—Supply Is in Strong Hands.

California has come to the front as the principal buyer of wheat in the Northwest. Several good sized deals have been put through and while the business is not heavy yet, it is steadily increasing. The dealers looked for active buying from that quarter in March, but the trade has revived sooner than expected.

The market is firmer with the opening up of Southern trade. Bluestem sold yesterday on the basis of 96 and 96½ cents, track. Supplies of blustem in the country are in strong hands and it again looks as if the $1 mark would eventually be reached. Club wheat was quoted at 85@86 cents. Not much was available at the lower figure. Offerings by farmers of all kinds were light.

Trading in the other grain departments was limited. Oats were held firm, but the demand was not brisk. Barley was nominal.

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

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Monday	182	9	22	7	20
Tuesday	17	5	3	8	6
Year ago	22	7	11	4	4
Season to date	12,916	1636	1549	1128	1347
Year ago	10,722	296	1760	1217	2107

Foreign crop conditions are summarized by the Liverpool Corn Trade News as follows:

United Kingdom—Owing to continued wet weather mention is still being made of loss of color to the wheat plant. The weather has, however, improved now and is seasonable.

France—The wheat crop in the west is rather poor; elsewhere the outlook is satisfactory. Native supplies are liberal, but mostly of poor quality. The weather is seasonable and shows much improvement.

Germany—Crop conditions are unchanged. Offerings of native wheat are more liberal and the quality better, although millers need the heavy wheat for mixing purposes. The weather is mild.

Russia—There are complaints of crop damage in the south as a result of lack of snow cover, with low temperatures. The acreage sown is small. Arrivals from the interior are small. The weather is cold.

Roumania—the crop outlook is generally favorable. Supplies of native wheat small. The weather is frosty.

Hungary—There are some complaints as a result of unfavorable weather conditions.

Australia—The official standards of contracts for the new crop have been fixed at a high weight.

Italy—The crop outlook is favorable. It is expected that imports will continue on a large scale. The buying of foreign wheat is now slow. The weather is generally favorable.

DRIED POTATOES AS FOOD FOR CATTLE

German Process Is Reported to Be Successful.

The Pacific Coast is becoming a great potato growing section and some trouble may be found in the future in disposing of the surplus. The experience of growers in the present season has shown that it is easy to overstock the market in a fruitful year, and unless a place can be found for the surplus, the industry cannot be made profitable.

In Germany they have a way of drying potatoes for cattle food. Consul-General Skinner, at Hamburg, sends a report on the subject, which will interest Oregon farmers. He says:

"The growing recognition of the value of dried potatoes for cattle-feeding purposes is reflected in the increase in the number of establishments in Germany in which the various potato products are prepared. At the end of the business year on July 31, 1910, there were 257 such establishments in this country nearly all of them being operated in connection with large agricultural undertakings. The amount of raw material treated in the year 1909-10 was 332,642 tons and in 1910-11 it was 417,641 tons.

"The use of dried potatoes as food for cattle arose from the impossibility of feeding raw potatoes without causing certain forms of sickness. It was equally impossible to boil large quantities without heavy investment for specially constructed boiling apparatus, and in any event raw potatoes can be preserved during a limited time only and are subject to deterioration toward Spring, sometimes being a total loss. These several inconveniences are avoided by drying potatoes according to processes which apparently originated in 1902. By feeding swine and sheep with six different kinds of dried potatoes it has been proved that the food is digestible.

DEMAND FROM ENGLAND FOR HOPS

Farmers' Stocks in Oregon Reduced to 6138 Bales.

The unsold supply of 1912 hops in Oregon was checked up again yesterday and found to total 6138 bales. The bulk of the stock is low grade.

There was inquiry on the market for export account, but not so much demand from the East as was the case a short time ago. Sales reported yesterday were the Joe Cawrse lot of 268 bales, at Hillsboro, to A. J. Ray & Son; A. Reichel lot of 48 bales, at Woodburn; Sanders Brothers, 42 bales, at Hubbard, and the Moore lot, 19 bales, at Hubbard.

A California wire announced the sale of 500 bales of Sacramentos at 16½ cents.

Beer business is apparently in good condition. The preliminary estimate as compiled by the Western Brewers' Association shows an increase in the sales in the United States for January, 1913, of a little over 20 per cent, as compared with January, 1912.

DECLINE IN EGG PRICES IS CHECKED

Supplies Are Readily Moved at Current Prices—Poultry Firm.

There was no change in the egg situation yesterday. The market was steady, as no difficulty was found in disposing of receipts. Candled stock sold at 18½@19c and current receipts at 17½@18c. The California market has ceased its downward course, and there is no occasion for a further decline here.

Poultry was in moderate supply, and a sharp demand made a firm market. Good hens sold readily at 16 cents. No broilers or fryers were to be had, but if any were offered they would have brought 20 to 25 cents. Dressed meats were firm.

Butter and cheese were fairly steady with a normal demand.

Mohair Supplies Cleaning Up.

There continues to be a fairly good demand for domestic mohair of fair to good staple at firm prices, but supplies are rapidly being cleaned up, says the Wool and Cotton Reporter. Some interest in foreign hair is shown, but not much has been sold in the local market as yet. Some business has been placed abroad quite recently, and receipts of these purchases should be in hand soon.

The foreign mohair yarn spinners are fairly well employed at the moment, and have been buying with fair freedom in Bradford, while further purchases in Constantinople are also reported. Comparatively little hair is left in Port Elizabeth, and prices there are firmly maintained.

Oranges Quoted at New Price.

A car of oranges was received yesterday and put on sale at the advanced price of $2.25. With the resumption of normal Spring weather the demand is expected to improve. Apples continue to sell fairly well at steady prices. Ripe bananas are still scarce.

Among yesterday's vegetable receipts was a shipment of new sweet potatoes from Southern California. They were quoted at 4 cents a pound. A car of celery and lettuce is due today.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,913,198	$237,855
Seattle	2,537,152	176,173
Tacoma	533,961	72,719
Spokane	687,142	85,115

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Club, 85@86c; bluestem, 96@96½c; 40-fold, 86c; red Russian, 84@85c; valley, 86@87c.

BARLEY—Feed, $25.50 per ton; brewing, nominal; rolled, $25.50@26.50 per ton.

CORN—Whole, $27; cracked, $28 per ton.

FLOUR — Patents, $4.70 per barrel; straights, $4.10; exports, $3.85@3.95; valley, $4.70; graham, $4.60; whole wheat, $4.80.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $21@21.50 per ton; shorts, $23@23.50 per ton; middlings, $30 per ton.

HAY—Timothy, choice, $15@17; mixed, Eastern Oregon timothy, $10@12.50; oat and vetch, $12; alfalfa, $11.50; clover, $16; straw, 56@7.

OATS—No. 1 white, $27@27.50 per ton.

Fruit and Vegetables.

APPLES—Spitzenberg, extra fancy, $1.25@1.50; choice, 75c@$1. Winesap, extra fancy, $1.25@1.50. Red Cheek Pippin, extra fancy, $1.25@1.75. Arkansas Black, extra fancy, $1.75@2. Baldwin, extra fancy, $1@1.25; choice, 75c@$1. Rome Beauty, $1.25@1.50. Ben Davis, etc., common pack, 50@60c.

TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, Navels, $2.75@3.25; Florida, $4.50; California grapefruit, $2.75@3.25; Florida grapefruit, $5; lemons, $7@7.50 per box; pineapples, 6@7c per pound; tangerines, $2.25 per box.

VEGETABLES — Artichokes, $1.50 per dozen; cabbage, 1c per pound; cauliflower, $2@2.25 per crate; celery, $2.00@4.50 per crate; cucumbers, 75c@$2 per dozen; eggplant, 10c pound; head lettuce, $2.50 per crate; peppers, 25c per pound; radishes, 35c per dozen; rhubarb, $2.50 per box; sprouts, 10c; tomatoes, $2.25@2.75 per box; garlic, 5@6c per pound.

SACK VEGETABLES — Turnips, 90c@$1 per sack; parsnips, 90c@$1 per sack; carrots, 90c@$1 per sack.

ONIONS—Oregon, $1 per sack.

POTATOES—Jobbing prices: Burbanks, 50c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 4c per pound.

Dairy and Country Produce.

POULTRY — Hens, 15@16c; broilers, nominal; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, choice, 25c; ducks, 16@18c; geese, 13@14c.

EGGS—Fresh locals, candled, 18½@19c per dozen; current receipts, 17½@18c.

CHEESE—Oregon triplets, 17c; Young Americas, nominal.

BUTTER—Oregon creamery butter cubes, 37½c per pound; prints, 39c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 10@10½c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 14@14½c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

SALMON — Columbia River, one-pound talls, $2.25 per dozen; half-pound flats, $1.40, one-pound flats, $2.45; Alaska pink, one-pound talls, 85c; silversides, one-pound talls, $1.25.

HONEY—Choice, $3.25@3.75 per case.

NUTS—Walnuts, 18c per pound; Brazil nuts, 12½@15c; filberts, 14@15c; almonds, 18c; peanuts, 5@5½c; cocoanuts, 90c@$1 per dozen; chestnuts, 11c per pound; hickory nuts, 5@10c; pecans, 17c; pine, 11½@20c.

BEANS—Small whites, 5.40c; large whites, 4@5c; Limas, 6½c; pink, 4.70c; Mexican, 5c; bayou, 4.65c.

SUGAR—Fruit and berry, $5.25; Honolulu plantation, $5.20; beet, $5.05; extra C, $4.75; powdered, barrels, $5.50; cubes, barrels, $5.60.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 24@40c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $14 per ton; half-ground 100s, $10 per ton; 50s, $10.75 per ton; dairy, $12.50 per ton.

RICE—No. 1 Japan, 5@5¼c; cheaper grades, 4¼c; Southern head, 5¾@6¼c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 10c per pound; apricots, 12@14c; peaches, 8@11c; prunes, italians, 8@10c, silver, 18c; figs, white and black, 6¼@7c; currants, 9¼c; raisins, loose Muscatel, 6¼@7½c; bleached, Thompson, 11¼c; unbleached Sultanas, 8½c; seeded, 7½@8½c; dates, Persian, 7½c per pound; fard, $1.65 per box.

FIGS—Twelve 10-ounce, 85c; 50 6-ounce, $1.85; 70 4-ounce, $2.50; 30 10-ounce, $2.25; loose, 50-pound boxes, 6½@7c; Smyrna, boxes, $1.10@1.25; candied, $3 per box.

Provisions.

HAMS—10 to 12 pounds, 18¼@19¼c; 12 to 14 pounds, 18¼@19¼c; picnics, 12c; cottage roll, 13c.

BACON—Fancy, 27@28c; standard, 22@23c; English, 10 to 12 pounds, 21c; 12 to 14 pounds, 20c.

LARD—In tierces, choice, 14¼c; compound, 9½c.

DRY SALT MEATS—Regular short clears, 13@14½c; short clear backs, 12 to 16 lbs., 14¼@15c; short clear backs, 18 to 25 lbs., 13½@15c; exports, 14c.

BARRELED BEEF—Extra mess beef, $14; mess beef, $13; plate beef, $20; rolled boneless beef, $30.

BARRELED PORK—Best pig pork, $24; brisket pickled pork, $23@25.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1912 crop, prime and choice, 16@18c per pound; 1913 contracts, 14@15c per pound.

PELTS—Dry, 12@13c; lambs, 25@35c; full wool, $1.25@1.35.

WOOL—Early shorn, east of mountains, 15@20c per pound.

HIDES—Salted hides, 11½@12s per pound; salted calf, 16@18c; salted kip, 12@14c; green hides, 11c; dry hides, 21@22c; dry calf No. 1, 23c; No. 2, 20c; salted bulls, 8c.

CASCARA—Per pound, 4½@4¾c; car lots, 4¾@5c.

GRAIN BAGS—9½@9¾c, according to delivery and terms of sale.

Linseed Oil and Turpentine.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 56c; boiled, barrels, 58c; raw, cases, 61c; boiled, cases, 63c.

OIL MEAL—Carloads, $37.50 per ton; less than carloads, $40 per ton.

TURPENTINE—Barrels, 61½c; cases, 64c.

GASOLINE—Naphtha, in iron barrels, 16c; in cases, 23c; motor gasoline, in iron barrels, 17c; cases, 24c; engine distillate, in iron barrels, 8½c; in cases, 15½c.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

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

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—The following produce prices were current here today:

Fruit—Apples, choice, 60c; common, 40c; Mexican limes, nominal; California lemons, choice, $7.00; common, $4.00; navel oranges, $1.25@5; pineapples, $1.50@2.50.

Cheese—Young America, 16@18c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 34c; seconds, 32½c.

Eggs—Store, 15c; fancy ranch, 17c.

Hay—Wheat, $24@25; wheat and oats, $21.50@23; alfalfa, $12.50@13.50; barley, $18@18.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, 75@90c; Salinas Burbanks, $1@1.25; sweets, $1.85@2.

Vegetables — Cucumbers, $3@3.25; green peas, 3@4c; string beans, 25c; tomatoes, 35@60c; eggplant, 25c; onions, 50@75c.

Receipts—Flour, 6882 quarters; barley, 9650 centals; potatoes, 7425 sacks; hay, 211 tons.

Changes in Available Supplies.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Special cable and telegraphic communications received by Bradstreets show the following changes in available supplies as compared with previous account:

	Bushels.
Wheat—	
United States, east of Rockies, decreased	982,000
United States, west of Rockies, increased	117,000
Canada decreased	1,417,000
Total U. S. and Canada decreased	2,282,000
Afloat for and in Europe increased	700,000
Total American and European supply decreased	1,582,000
Corn—	
U. S. and Canada increased	2,488,000
Oats—	
U. S. and Canada increased	1,168,000

The leading decreases reported this week follow: Manitoba, 1,311,000 bushels; Fort Worth, 50,000.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Copper steady. Standard spot, 14.07 bid; February, 14.05 bid; March and April, 14.12@14.62; May and June, 14.05@14.50; electrolytic, 15.00; lake, 15.25; casting, 14.75.

Tin steady. Spot 47.75@48.00; February, 47.25@48.00; March, 47.05@47.37; April, 46.50@46.87.

Lead steady, 4.25@4.35.

Spelter quiet, 6.25@6.35.

Antimony dull. Cookson's, 9.25@9.40.

Iron steady, unchanged.

Copper exports this month, 24,047 tons. London copper quiet. Spot, £64; futures, £64. Local exchange sales tin, 50 tons. London tin strong. Spot, £213; futures, £208. London lead, £16 7s 6d. London spelter, £25. Iron, cleveland warrants, 59s 9d in London.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 25.—Close: Wheat, May, 88c; July, 89⅝@89⅞c; Sept., 89⅞c.

Cash—No. 1 hard, 88½c; No. 1 Northern, 87@88c; No. 2 Northern, 85@86c; No. 2 hard, Montana, 88c; No. 2 wheat, 83@84.

Bran, $17.50@18.00.

Flax, $1.31⅝.

Barley, 42@55c.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Evaporated apples, quiet. Choice, 6¼@6½c; prime, 5¾@5½c. Prunes, steady. Peaches, dull.

STOCKS RALLY LATE

Recovery at Close After Severe Drive by Bears.

MARKET STILL UNCERTAIN

New Low Points Are Touched in Quotations of Many Leading Issues — Harriman Dissolution Question Principal Factor.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—After another bear drive had forced quotations of many stocks to new low points for the long decline, the market rallied today. The market was still uncertain and at times decidedly unsettled. New low prices were recorded for Union Pacific, Amalgamated, Steel, St. Paul, Erie, Atchison, the Hill stocks and a long list of less important issues.

Activity on the short side was confined principally to the first hour of trading. Selling of inactive stocks continued, losses running up to five points.

The one new factor of genuine interest was the decision of the California Railroad Commission that where the Southern Pacific granted to the Central Pacific use of tracks and terminal facilities, the same privileges should be extended to other competing lines. In the opinion of the heads of the Harriman lines this ruling, if sustained, would interfere seriously with the proposed dissolution plan, and might even cause its failure. There was some selling of Union Pacific when the significance of this action became known and the price fell under 153.

The most effective support, however, was upon Southern Pacific, which was bought on the theory that the company would be benefited by speeding up the dissolution plan. Southern Pacific became the strongest of the leading issues, rising more than a point above last night's close.

Weakness of the copper group reflected a further decline in the metal market. London quoted lower prices and in the domestic market, sales of refined metal for future delivery were reported at under 15 cents.

The recent heaviness in bonds, in sympathy with stocks, was unrelieved today, quotations making further progress downward. Total sales, par value, $2,285,000. United States 2s declined ¼ on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Reported by J. C. Wilson & Co., Lewis building, Portland.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	27,500	66⅛	65¾	66
Am Beet Sugar	300	34¾	34	34
American Can	21,100	34⅞	31½	32½
do preferred	2,100	119¾	118	118
Am Car & Fdy	1,500	49	47½	48
Am Cotton Oil	100	48¾	48¾	48
Am Smel & Ref	4,800	67½	66¾	67
do preferred	200	103¾	103½	103
American Sugar	700	115	114½	114¾
do preferred				114½
Am Tel & Tel	1,900	132	131¾	131½
Am Tobacco	1,500	237½	234½	236
Anaconda	2,900	84½	83¾	83¾
Atl Coast Line	300	123¾	123	120
A T & Santa Fe	5,000	100⅞	100	100¼
do preferred	700	100	100	99⅞
Balt & Ohio	2,900	100⅜	99⅛	99
Brook R Tran	1,900	87½	86⅜	87¼
Canadian Pac	4,500	230⅜	229½	229½
C & O	1,200	72¾	71¾	71¾
C & G W	1,000	14¼	13	13⅞
C & N W	800	133	132	132
C M & St Paul	4,700	107	106	106⅛
Central Leather	2,900	27¼	25¾	26½
Central of N J				345
Chino	2,500	37½	36¾	36¾
Col Fuel & Iron	1,400	32½	31½	31¾
Col Southern				27
Consol Gas	1,200	128½	127	127
D L & W				390
D & R G	300	19¼	18¾	18½
Distillers' Secur	300	17¾	17	17
Erie	28,100	26⅜	25½	25⅞
Gen Electric	200	136½	135¾	135½
Gt North Ore	600	34	33	33¾
Gt North pf	4,500	125¼	124	124½
Illinois Central	500	122¼	121¾	121¾
Interboro Met	3,500	16¾	16¼	16⅜
do preferred	2,100	57¾	57¼	57¼
Inter Harvester	500	107	106	106¾
K C Southern	100	23⅞	23¾	23⅞
Lehigh Valley	2,700	154	153¾	153¾
Louis & Nash	2,700	130½	129½	130
Mexican Central	100	23	23	22
M, S P & S S M	100	134	134	132½
Mo, Kan & Tex	2,000	25¼	24¾	24⅝
Mo Pacific	3,700	36⅜	36	36½
National Lead	400	48¾	47½	48½
Nat Biscuit	200	113¾	112	113½
do preferred				116
N Y Central	700	105½	104¾	105
N Y, Ont & Wes	200	29¾	29½	29¼
Norfolk & West	200	106¾	106½	106¾
Northern Pac	4,500	115	114¾	114¾
Pacific Mail	800	25½	25	25
Pacific T & T	500	37½	36½	36
do preferred				92
Pennsylvania	6,100	118¾	117¾	117¾
People's Gas				109½
Reading	78,200	165	153¾	153¾
Republic S & I	1,500	24¾	23¾	24
Rock Island	2,500	21¾	21¼	21¼
Southern Pac	26,500	100⅝	99	99⅜
Southern Ry	3,200	25¾	24½	25⅛
Union Pacific	72,500	154½	152¾	153⅜
do preferred	200	87	86¼	86¼
United Rds S F				24½
U S Steel	113,400	60½	59½	59¾
do preferred	1,400	107¾	107½	107½
Utah Copper	3,600	51¾	50¾	51
Wabash	300	3	3	3
Western Union	1,600	67	65¾	66
Westing Elec	700	68¾	68	68
Wisconsin Cent				47

Total sales for the day, 354,500 shares.

BONDS.

Reported by Overbeck & Cooke Company, Board of Trade, Portland.

	Bid.	Asked.
Amer Tel & Tel conv 4s	104	105½
American Tobacco 4s	96¾	
American Tobacco 6s	120	
Atchison general 4s	9½	96¾
Atchison conv 4s		100
Atchison adj 4s stamped	86½	87
Atchison conv 5s	100½	101
Atlantic Coast Line cons 4s	93⅝	94¾
At Coast Line "L & N coll" 4s		90¾
Baltimore & Ohio 3½s	89½	89¾
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	96½	97
Brooklyn Rapid Transit 4s	87	87½
Canadian Southern first 5s	100	100⅜
C & O 4½s	98¾	99
C B & Q gen mtg 4s	94¾	95
C B & Q joint 4s		95
C B & Q Ill 4s	96¾	97½
C B & Q Denver 4s	94¾	95
Central Pacific first 4s	94¼	95
Chicago & Eastern Ill 4s		73½
Chicago E I & P ref 4s	86¼	86½
C R I & P Col trust 4s	62½	63
Colorado Southern first 4s	92¾	94
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	87	88¾
Delaware & Hudson conv 4s	97	97½
Erie first cons P L 4s	85	86
Int Met 4½s	79	79¾
Japanese 4s	81	82
Japanese first 4½s	88½	88¾
Japanese second 4½s	87	87½
L & N uni 4s	96	96¾
Mo Kan & Tex 4½s	80	80½
Missouri Pacific 4s	69	74½
New York Central 3½s	84	88
N Y Central L S 3½s	77	77½
New York City 4½s of 1957	104	104¼
Norfolk & Western 4s	96	96¾
Norfolk & Western conv 4s	105½	106
N Y Ont & Western 4s		92¼
Northern Pacific P L 4s	97	97½
Northern Pacific 3s	84	67¾
Oregon Short Line 4s		90
Oregon Ry & Nav 4s	93¾	95
Penna Ry 4s of 1948	104	104½
Philippine Ry 4s	87	90
Reading gen 4s	90½	90¾
Republic of Cuba 5s	101½	102
Southern Pacific first ref 4s	92½	93¼
Southern Pacific col 4s		95½
Southern Railway 4s	77¼	77⅝
St L & S F ref 4s	75	75⅝
Union Pacific first 4s	98¾	99
Union Pacific conv 4s	92¾	93¼
Union Pacific ref 4s	93	93½
United States Steel S F 5s	100½	100⅝
United States 2s registered	100¾	
United States 2s coupon	100¾	
United States 3s registered	102½	103¼
United States 3s coupon	102½	103¼
United States 4s registered	113½	114⅝
United States 4s coupon	113⅝	114⅝
United Railway S F 4s	62	65
United Ry St L 4s		75½
Wabash first 4s	56½	57½
Western Union 4½s	94	95
Westinghouse conv 5s	91½	92½
Western Pacific 5s	86	86½
Wisconsin Central 4s	90	91
West Shore 4s	97½	98

Boston Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—Closing quotations:

Allouez	34	Mohawk	47
Amal Copper	65¾	Nevada Con	16¼
Am Z L & Sm	28⅝	Nipissing Mines	8⅝
Arizona Com	3	North Butte	24½
B & C C & S M	5⅛	North Lake	1¾
Cal & Arizona	59⅝	Old Dominion	44
Cal & Hecla	435	Osceola	85
Centennia	13	Quincy	64½
Cop R Com Co	43	Shannon	10⅜
E Butte Cop M	11¾	Superior	24⅜
Franklin	5⅜	Sup & Bos Min	3½
Giroux Con	2½	Tamarack	22
Granby Con	56	U S Sm R & M	38¼
Greene Can	7⅜	do pfd	48
Isle Roy (Cop)	24⅞	Utah Con	8⅞
Kerr Lake	3¼	Utah Copper Co	50½
Lake Copper	14¼	Winona	2½
La Salle Cop	2½	Wolverine	64
Miami Copper	21⅝		

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Money on call, steady, 2@2½; last loan, 2½; closing bid, 2 per cent; offered at 2½ per cent.

Time loans, easier; 60 days, 4¼@4½ per cent; 90 days, 4½@4¾ per cent; six months, 4½@4¾ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 4 per cent.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8825 for 60-day bills and at $4.8760 for demand.

Commercial bills, $4.82¾.

Bar silver, 60¾c.

Mexican dollars, 48½c.

Government bonds, easy; railroad bonds, heavy.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Bar silver, easy, at 27 15-16d per ounce; money, 4½@4¾ per cent; rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 5 per cent; do, three months' bills, 4¾ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—Silver bars, 60¾. Mexican dollars, nominal. Drafts, sight, .02½; do telegraph, .06.

Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.83½; do sight, $4.87¾.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The condition of the United States Treasury at the beginning of business today was:

Working balance	$ 77,463,989
In banks and Philippine treasury	43,987,839
Total in general fund	146,874,476
Receipts yesterday	1,958,985
Disbursements	2,709,133

The surplus this fiscal year is $7,120,401, as against a deficit of $23,915,531 last year.

The figures for receipts, disbursements, etc., exclude Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

MUTTON TRADE SLOWER

PRICES ARE EASING OFF WITH LIGHTER DEMAND AT YARDS.

Day's Receipts Are Small and Trading Is Mainly in Odd Lots of Cattle.

Receipts at the stockyards yesterday consisted of a single shipment of Central Oregon sheep, but there was some stock carried over from Monday to be disposed of. The sales were mainly of odds and ends, and the offerings brought going prices.

In the cattle market there was not much of top quality to be had. Steers sold within a range of $7 to $7.85. Cows brought from $3.25 to $6.25 and bulls from $4 to $6.

The demand for mutton stock is slowing down. Wethers sold at $6.15 and lambs at $7, both prices under those recently paid.

Receipts yesterday were 716 head of sheep, shipped by Morrow & Keenan, of Madras. The day's sales were as follows:

	Weight.	Price.
23 steers	1082	$7.85
2 steers	1145	7.00
6 steers	1345	7.70
18 steers	1111	7.50
5 steers	1166	7.85
6 steers	1180	7.25
1 steer	1090	7.35
10 steers	1118	7.30
1 cow	930	3.25
24 cows	1043	6.00
10 cows	1192	6.25
3 heifers	983	6.25
25 cows	989	6.00
1 calf	320	7.75
1 stag	930	5.00
1 bull	900	5.25
2 bulls	1415	5.25
1 bull	1730	5.00
1 bull	1310	6.00
1 bull	1530	6.00
1 bull	1750	4.60
1 bull	1030	5.00
1 bull	1350	4.00
220 yearling wethers	99	6.15
42 lambs	97	7.00
42 yearling wethers	97	6.15

The range of prices at the yards was as follows:

Choice steers	$7.50@$8.25
Good steers	7.00@ 7.30
Medium steers	6.50@ 7.00
Choice cows	6.50@ 7.00
Good cows	6.00@ 6.30
Medium cows	5.50@ 6.00
Choice calves	8.00@ 9.00
Good heavy calves	6.50@ 7.50
Bulls	5.50@ 6.00
Hogs—	
Light	7.50@ 8.15
Heavy	6.50@ 7.10
Sheep—	
Yearling wethers	5.00@ 6.15
Ewes	4.00@ 5.15
Lambs	6.00@ 7.00

Omaha Livestock Market.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 25.—Cattle—Receipts 6000; market steady. Native steers, $7@8.50; cows and heifers, $3@7.50; Western steers, $5@7.50; cows and heifers, $4.50@5; calves, $6@9.

Hogs—Receipts 16,800; market steady. Heavy, 8@8.20; light, 8.15@8.25; pigs, $6.75@7.75; bulk, $8.15@8.20.

Sheep—Receipts 10,300; market steady. Yearlings, $6.75@7.75; wethers, $5@6.60; lambs, $7.75@8.70.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Cattle—Receipts 4500; market slow. Beeves, $6.75@9; Texas steers, $5.25@6; Western steers, $6.20@7.75; stockers and feeders, $6.15@8.50; cows and heifers, $3.15@7.50; calves, $7@10.25.

Hogs—Receipts 19,000; market firm. Light, $8.40@8.72½; mixed, $8.40@8.70; heavy, $8.25@8.70; rough, $8.25@8.35; pigs, $6.60@8.45; bulk of sales, $8.50@8.65.

Sheep—Receipts 20,000; market steady. Native, $5.30@6.90; Western, $5.65@7; yearlings, $6.85@8.10; lambs, native, $7.50@8.75; Western, $7.60@8.65.

BIDDING FOR WOOL MORE ACTIVE

Montana Growers Receive 18½ Cents for New Clip.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—A decline in nearly all grades is the feature of the domestic wool market. Trading continues light, although some fair-sized lots of territory wool in the grease, both in staple and fine medium clothing, have changed hands.

Bidding in the West is becoming more active and 18½ is said to have been paid in Montana.

Leading domestic quotations range as follows:

Missouri ⅜ blood, 30@31c; quarter blood, 30@31c.

Secured basis—Texas fine, 12 months, 63@64c; fine six to eights months, 55@57c; fine, Fall, 49@50c.

California—Northern, 52@53c; middle county, 50@52c; Southern, 48@49c; Fall free, 48@50c.

Oregon—Eastern, No. 1, staple, 63@65c; Eastern clothing, 58@60c; valley, No. 1, 35 cents.

Territory—Fine staple, 63@65c; fine medium staple, 62c; fine clothing, 60@61c; fine medium clothing, 57@58c; half blood combing, 60@61c; three-eighth blood, combing, 57@58c; quarter blood, combing, 52@55c.

Pulled—AA, 58@62c; A supers, 54@58c.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Cotton. — Spot closed quiet. Middling uplands, 12.50c; do gulf, 12.75c. No sales.

Cotton futures closed firm, 13 to 22 points net higher. February, 12.25c; March, 12.25c; April, 12.14c; May, 12.05c; June, 12.00c; July, 11.99c; August, 11.28c; September, 11.57c; October, 11.64c; December, 11.54c; January, 11.50c.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 25.—Cotton—Spot steady, unchanged. Middling, 12⅝c.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 25.—Turpentine firm, 42⅞c. Sales, 87; receipts, 80; shipments, 84; stocks, 18,806.

Rosin firm. Sales, 1188; receipts, 1256; shipments, 357; stocks, 122,600. Quote: A, B, $6.27½; C, D, $6.40; E, $6.42½; F, $6.45; G, $6.50; H, $6.60; I, $6.75; K, $6.95; M, $7.00; N, $7.05; WG, $7.10; WW, $7.15@7.50.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Cargoes on passage steady.

English country market quiet. French country markets firm.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 25.—Wheat: Spot, steady. Futures, steady. March, 7s 6½d; May, 7s, 4d; July, 7s, 3½d.

Puget Sound Grain Markets.

SEATTLE, Feb. 25.—Wheat: Bluestem, 95c; fortyfold, 85½c; club, 85c; fife, 85c; red Russian, 83c.

Yesterday's car receipts, wheat 84; oats, 11; barley, 12; corn, 0; hay, 55; flour, 5.

TACOMA, Feb. 25.—Wheat: Bluestem, 95c; fortyfold, 87c; club, 87c; red Russian, 84c.

Yesterday's car receipts, wheat, 69; barley, 2; corn, 1; oats, 3; hay, 29.

Grains in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—Spot quotations: Walla $1.55@1.57½; red Russian, $1.52½@1.55; Turkey red, $1.70@1.72½; bluestem, $1.70@1.72½. Feed barley, $1.30@1.32½; brewing, $1.37½@1.40; white oats, $1.46¾@1.47½; bran, $23@23.50; middlings, $30@31; shorts, $25@25.50.

Call board sales:

Wheat—Firm. No trading.

Barley—Easy. December, $1.27½; May, $1.28½.

Election Day at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Because of a local election the Board of Trade was not in session today. Primary receipts of wheat were 679,000 bushels, against 250,