RIENT IN MARKET

Wheat Taken for Summer Shipment Across Pacific.

COUNTRY PRICES STRONG

Even Off-Grade Lots Are Bought at Steep Figures — Smallness of Stocks in Interior Is Becoming Apparent.

Wheat buying at country points is necessarily slowing down, as the lack of supplies becomes more apparent. Full prices are quoted on all sorts. The strength of the market was shown yesterday by the paying of the market price for some off-grade lots that earlier in the season were discounted fully 10 cents a bushel. So quietly was the buying done in the past week that many lots that were thought to be available have since been found to have passed out of farmers' hands. More or less damaged wheat still remains unsold, but of good wheat the supply is practically exhausted and in some of the important sections it is absolutely cleaned up. Club was quoted on the local market yesterday at 93 cents, 40-fold at 94@95 cents and bluestem at $1@1.61.

The Oriental demand for wheat is holding on better than some of the dealers expected. Good-sized sales were made yesterday for late June and early July shipment. There were also rumors of further export flour sales. The California inquiry for wheat continues active.

The demand for barley has slacked up somewhat.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	88	18	14	8	11
Tuesday	37	10	7	7	14
Year ago	24		8		5
Season to date	16,471	2211	2345	1475	2068
Year ago	14,049	374	2307	1517	2614

Foreign crop conditions are summarized by Broomhall as follows:

United Kingdom—According to an official report the crop outlook is fairly satisfactory. According to unofficial reports the wheat plant is much discolored. The acreage to Spring cereals shows a shortage. It is also feared that the Spring wheat crop is not doing so well, as in some parts it has been excessively wet, although the weather is now improving.

France—The crop outlook is fairly satisfactory, although in the western region the condition of the crops is only moderate. Supplies of native wheat are larger and arrivals of foreign wheat are large. Finer weather is needed.

Germany—The crop outlook is favorable, with the weather seasonable. Native offerings are larger and the export demand smaller.

Russia—The crop outlook in the south is very favorable. In the center and east drouth is confirmed. The recent frost was very severe and most authorities believe the crops have been damaged. Supplies in the southwest are light, in the southeast fairly liberal.

Roumania—There have been good general rains, which have benefited the wheat crop. The planting of corn is about finished. Supplies of native wheat are small.

Italy—Both crop and weather reports show improvement.

Spain—The weather is warm following beneficial rains and the crop shows improvement.

India—Offers of wheat are being made on a fairly liberal scale. There is a good export demand, with the market firm.

Australia—Latest advices confirm the fact that the new crops are making an excellent start.

Argentina—The weather is seasonable and favorable for the new wheat crop and movement of corn.

HOPGROWERS BUSY CULTIVATING.

Condition of Crop in Independence Section. Market Dull.

No demand exists for spot hops and there is only a normal inquiry for contracts.

Growers are busy cultivating, taking advantage of the exceptionally fine weather. Hop men who have been through yards in the Independence section in the past two days report the outlook good, but the growth of the vines is very uneven. This is a frequent complaint at this time of year, but the fault is generally remedied in the Summer months. There is a difference of opinion as to the proportion of missing hills. In about a week's time more definite information on this head will be available, as it will be known then whether the hills that have not yet sprouted are dead or only backward.

Bernhard Bing writes from Nuremburg, Germany, under date of April 28:

"The work in the hopyards has commenced everywhere. So far as can be stated the roots have wintered in good condition. Our Continental markets show a strength and activity seldom seen at this period of the year. The stock is reduced to such a degree that prices have advanced again 10 Mks. for all grades.

OREGON STRAWBERRIES PLENTIFUL

Receipts From California Are Light—Not Many Expected Today.

Receipts of Oregon strawberries yesterday were the largest of the season, over 100 crates reaching Front street. The best sold at $3.50@4.00. The supply of California berries was small and will be no better today. Dollars were firm at $1.75. Only a few Jessies showed up and they were poor.

The first shipment of apricots of the season arrived from Coachella and sold at $2 a crate. Ripe bananas were very scarce on the street.

A car of California Garnet Chilis was received and they were quoted at 2½ cents in sacks and 3 cents in boxes. Vegetable arrivals were small. Local asparagus is in light supply and firm at $1.35.

Poultry Supply Is Moderate.

Poultry receipts yesterday were sufficient for the demand and the market was steady at 15 cents for hens. There was a good demand for broilers, but some of those sent in are entirely too small. Spring ducks also sell well.

Dressed pork holds steady, but the veal market is weak.

Eggs are moving at unchanged prices, with the supply and demand equal.

No changes were reported in the dairy produce markets.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,791,146	$102,425
Seattle	2,163,855	199,261
Tacoma	563,020	91,314
Spokane	605,280	60,002

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Club, 93c; bluestem, $1@1.61; 40-fold, 94@95c; red Russian, 90@91c; valley, 93c.

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

OATS—No. 1 white, $31.50@32 per ton.

CORN—Whole, $28.50; cracked, $29.50 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $24.50@25 per ton; shorts, $26.50@27 per ton; middlings, $31 per ton.

BARLEY—Feed, $27.00 per ton; brewing, nominal; rolled, $28.50@29.50 per ton.

HAY—Eastern Oregon timothy, choice, $17@18; alfalfa, $13@14; straw, $6@7.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, Navels, $4.50@5.50; Florida grapefruit, $4.50@6.50; lemons, California, $6@7.75 per box; Sicily, $7 per box; pineapples, 6@7c per pound.

ONIONS—Oregon, $1.25 per sack; Bermuda $1.50@2 per crate.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 75c per dozen; asparagus, Oregon, $1@1.35 per dozen; beans, 10@12c per pound; cabbage, 2½@3c per pound; cauliflower, $2 per crate; eggplant, 25c pound; head lettuce, $2.50 per crate; peas, 6@8c per pound; peppers, 35@40c per pound; radishes, 10@12c per dozen; rhubarb, 1@2c per pound; spinach, 75c per box; tomatoes, $2.50@5 per box; garlic, 7@8c per pound.

POTATOES—Burbank, 40@50c per hundred; new, 2¾@3c per pound.

GREEN FRUIT—Apples, 50c@$2 per box, according to quality; strawberries, Oregon, $3@4; Florin, $1.25@1.75 per crate; cherries, $1.25@1.50 per box; gooseberries, 7½@8c per pound.

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

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations:

POULTRY—Hens, 15c; broilers, 25@27c; turkeys, live, 19@20c; dressed, choice, 25c; ducks, old, 16½@18c; young, 24@25c; geese, young, 15@17c.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, case count, 18½@19c per dozen; candled, 20c per dozen.

CHEESE—Oregon triplets, 16c; Daisies, 16½c; Young Americas, 17½c.

BUTTER—City creamery butter cubes, 28c per pound; prints, 29@29½c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 11½@12c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 13½@14c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

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, 19c per pound; Brazil nuts, 12½@15c; filberts, 14@15c; almonds, 18c; peanuts, 5@5½c; cocoanuts, 90c@$1 per dozen; chestnuts, 11c per pound; hickorynuts, 8@10c; pecans, 17c; pine, 17½@20c.

BEANS—Small white, 6c; large white, 5½c; Limas, 6.30c; pink, 4¼c; Mexican, 5c; bayou, 4¾c.

SUGAR—Fruit and berry, $5.15; Honolulu plantation, $5.10; beet, $4.95; extra C, $4.65; powdered, barrels, $5.40; cubes, barrels, $5.50.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 21½@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@5½c; cheaper grades, 4½c; Southern head, 5¾@6¾c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 10c per pound; apricots, 12@14c; peaches, 8@11c; prunes, Italians, 8@10c, silver, 18c; figs, white and black, 6¾@7c; currants, 9½c; raisins, loose Muscatel, 6¾@7½c; bleached, Thompson 11¾c; unbleached, Sultanas, 8½c; seeded, 7½@8½c; dates, Persian, 7½@8c 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.

Local jobbing quotations:

HAMS—10 to 12 pounds, 19½@20½c; 12 to 14 pounds, 19½@20½c; picnics, 13½c; cottage roll, 16c.

BACON—Fancy, 29@30c; standard, 24@25c; English, 22@23c.

LARD—In tierces, choice, 14½c; compound, 9½c.

DRY SALT MEATS—Regular short clears, 13½@15c; short clear backs, 12 to 18 lbs., 14@15½c; short clear backs, 18 to 25 lbs., 14@15½c; exports, 15@16c.

BARRELED BEEF—Extra mess beef, $19; mess beef, $19; plate beef, $21; rolled boneless beef, $30.

BARRELED PORK—Best pig pork, $27; pickled pork, $25.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1912 crop, 10@15c per pound; 1913 contracts, 13@13½c per pound.

PELTS—Dry, 12c lambs, 25@35c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 10@16c; Valley, 14@16c per pound.

HIDES—Salted hides, 12c per pound; salted calf, 16@17½c; salted kip, 12@14c; green hides, 11c; dry hides, 21@22c; dry calf No. 1, 25c; No. 2, 20c; salted bulls, 8c.

MOHAIR—1913 clip, 30@33c per pound.

Linseed Oil and Turpentine.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 58c; boiled, barrels, 60c; raw, cases, 63c; boiled, cases, 65c.

OIL MEAL—F. o. b. Portland works: Car lots, $33; 5 and 10-ton lots, $34; ton lots, $35.

TURPENTINE—Barrels, 54½c; cases, 57c.

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.

COAL OIL—Cases, 17½c; bulk, 11c.

SHEEP MARKET LOWER

SEASONABLE DECLINE IN MUTTON MATERIAL.

Cattle Are in Demand With Full Prices Quoted on Best Quality. Small Run at Yards.

There was only a light supply of livestock on the market yesterday and trade at the yards was consequently quiet. Cattle are holding firm in tone, and hogs and sheep are weak.

The few loads of steers offered during the day did not grade up to the top quality recently sold, as the prices paid, $8.15 to $8.60, show. Butcher cattle sales were confined to odds and ends.

In the hog division practically nothing was done, but there was a fair amount of activity in the sheep market. Wethers sold at $6, ewes at $4 and $5, yearlings at $5.95 and Spring lambs at $6.50.

Receipts were 218 cattle, 3 calves, 181 hogs and 1656 sheep.

Shippers were—George Lloyd, Prescott and Waitsburg, Wash., 2 cars of hogs; Ketchum & Son, The Dalles, 1 car of sheep; George Zimmerman, Carlton, 2 cars of sheep; L. E. West, Oakland, 4 cars of sheep; John Goodborn, Roseburg, 1 car of sheep; J. M. Berry, Red Bluff, Cal., 2 cars of cattle; J. F. Brophy, Red Bluff, 2 cars of cattle; Smythe Brothers, Roosevelt, 2 cars of sheep, and J. E. Dow, Deer Island, 2 cows and 1 calf.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Weight.	Price.
34 steers	994	$8.15
22 steers	1095	8.60
28 steers	1115	8.60
1 steer	1160	9.00
1 cow	1040	7.25
6 bulls	1751	6.50
4 bulls	1445	6.00
9 hogs	133	8.25
50 spring lambs	56	6.50
44 wethers	83	6.00
21 wethers	100	6.00
105 wethers	108	6.00
55 ewes	138	5.00
56 ewes	141	4.00
280 yearlings	83	5.95
284 yearlings	84	5.95

The range of prices at the yards was as follows:

Choice steers	$8.50@$9.00
Good steers	7.75@ 8.25
Medium steers	7.25@ 7.75
Choice cows	7.00@ 7.75
Good cows	6.50@ 7.00
Medium cows	6.00@ 6.50
Choice calves	8.00@ 9.00
Good heavy calves	6.50@ 7.50
Bulls	6.25@ 6.50
Hogs—	
Light	8.25@ 8.35
Heavy	6.50@ 7.30
Sheep—	
Yearling wethers	5.95@ 7.00
Ewes	4.00@ 6.00
Lambs	6.50@ 7.50

Omaha Livestock Market.

SOUTH OMAHA, May 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 3600; market lower. Native steers, $7@8.50; cows and heifers, $6@7.60; Western steers, $6.50@8; Texas steers, $6@7.50; cows and heifers, $5@7.25; calves, $7@10.

Hogs—Receipts, 6300; market higher. Heavy, $8.30@8.40; light, $8.40@8.45; pigs, $7@8; bulk of sales, $8.35@8.40.

Sheep—Receipts, 6000; market steady. Yearlings, $6.80@7.30; wethers, $6.25@6.75; lambs, $7.60@8.40.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, May 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 1500; market slow, steady. Beeves, $7.10@8.90; Texas steers, $6.75@7.70; Western steers, $7@8.15; stockers and feeders, $5.80@7.85; cows and heifers, $3.80@7.90; calves, $6.25@9.

Hogs—Receipts, 9000; market strong, 5 to 10c higher. Light, $8.45@8.72½; mixed, $8.40@8.75; heavy, $8.15@8.65; rough, $8.15@8.30; pigs, $6.60@8.40; bulk of sales, $8.55@8.70.

Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; market, steady to 10c lower. Native, $5.50@6.15; Western, $5.50@6.15; yearlings, $6@6.75; lambs, $6@7.60; Western, $6@7.60.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, May 20.—Butter, unchanged; receipts, 10,309 tubs.

Eggs, unchanged; receipts, 27,800 cases.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, May 20.—Close—Linseed, $1.32¾; May, $1.32¼, nominal; July, $1.33¾ asked; September, $1.35¾ bid; October, $1.34½.

Hops at New York.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Hops, Quiet.

BOND BIDS ARE LOW

Offers for New York Issue Are Under Estimates.

AFFECT GENERAL MARKET

Stocks Are Firm Throughout Greater Part of Day--Harrimans Strengthened by Rumor of Settlement of Dissolution Plan.

NEW YORK, May 20.—After slowly gathering strength during the greater part of today's market, stocks received a setback late in the session, when bids were opened for New York City's $45,000,000 issue of 4¼ per cent bonds. The bids fell considerably below the usual estimates. The view commonly held as to the probable issue price of the bonds was indicated by the trading in the bonds "when issued," which has been in progress on the "curb" for some time. The bonds sold as high as 100⅝ and today there were sales at 100⅛, before the bids were opened. When it became known that bids from some of the largest financial institutions were being received at par or slightly above, the bonds sold off to 100 3-16 and the outstanding city issues also weakened.

Prices of stocks moved irregularly at the outset, but the undertone was firm. Withdrawal of pressure from the Rock Island and St. Louis & San Francisco issues, which were especially weak yesterday, had a stimulating effect and traders were inclined to take the long side of the market.

The upward movement received considerable impetus from the circulation of a rumor that the Harriman dissolution plan had been decided upon to the satisfaction of all parties at interest.

On the strength of this rumor, Union Pacific and Southern Pacific rose strongly and the rest of the market moved up with them. Although the rumor subsequently was denied, the market retained its advantage until it received its setback late in the day.

Bonds were higher. St. Louis & San Francisco general 5s touched 72, a new low record. Total sales, par value, $1,430,000. Panama 3s coupon advanced ⅛ on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

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

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	18,400	75	73⅜	74⅝
Am Beet Sugar	100	29½	29½	29
Am Can Co	5,800	33⅛	32½	32¼
do preferred	500	93	92⅝	92⅝
Am Car & Fdy				48¾
Am Cotton Oil	100	41	41	40½
Am Smel & Ref	1,200	67½	66⅝	67
do preferred	100	102¾	102¾	101⅝
Am Sugar	100	110	110	110
do preferred				111
Am Tel & Tel	400	128½	128⅜	128⅜
Am Tobacco				226
Anaconda	300	38	37¾	37⅝
Atl Coast Line	100	122½	122½	121½
A T & Santa Fe	2,000	99⅝	99½	99⅝
do preferred				99
Balt & Ohio	600	98⅝	98⅝	98½
Brook R Tran	4,200	91⅝	91½	91⅝
Canadian Pac	8,900	237½	236¼	236⅝
C & O	2,100	65¼	64½	64⅝
C & G W				13½
C & N W	100	129½	129½	130
C, M & St Paul	2,100	108⅝	107⅝	107½
Central Leather				23
Central of N J				295
Chino	1,500	39¼	38⅝	38⅝
Col Fuel & Iron	200	31½	31	31⅝
Col Southern				28
Consol Gas	900	131½	131½	131¼
D L & W				395
D & R G	100	17⅝	17⅝	18⅛
Distilling Secur				15¼
Erie	2,900	28¾	27⅝	28⅝
General Elec	800	139	138½	138¼
Gt North Ore	500	34½	34	33¾
Gt North pf	3,300	127	126	126⅝
Illinois Central	100	115¼	115¼	115
Interboro Met	1,300	14⅝	14⅝	14½
do preferred	2,100	51½	51	50⅝
K C Southern	100	22⅞	22⅞	22⅞
Lehigh Valley	1,000	155⅝	154⅞	154⅞
Louis & Nash	200	132¼	132⅛	132⅛
Mexican Central				21½
M, S P & S S M				130¼
Mo, Kan & Tex	1,700	23	22½	22⅝
Mo Pacific	1,100	35	34⅝	34⅝
National Lead	200	47	47	46
Nat Biscuit				112½
do preferred				115
N Y Central	2,300	100¼	99⅝	99⅝
N Y, Ont & Wes	200	28⅞	28⅝	28⅝
Norfolk & West	500	105½	105⅜	105⅜
Northern Pac	600	114⅝	114⅝	114½
Pacific Mail				22
Pacific T & T	100	31	31	30½
do preferred				89
Pennsylvania	4,900	110½	110⅝	110¼
People's Gas	100	109	109	108½
Reading	38,800	161⅝	160¼	160⅝
Republic S & I				23½
Rock Island Co	1,400	17½	16	16⅜
Southern Pac	5,900	97⅞	96	97
Southern Ry	800	24⅞	23⅞	23⅞
Texas Oil	100	105⅜	105⅜	105
Union Pacific	51,900	150⅞	148⅞	150¼
do preferred				83¼
United Rds S F	100	22⅞	22⅞	22
U S Steel	37,000	60¼	59⅞	60
do preferred	600	106⅛	105⅞	105⅞
Utah Copper	800	50⅞	50⅝	50½
Wabash	400	2½	2½	2¾
Western Union	100	65½	65½	65⅛
Westing Elec	200	62	62	61⅝

Total sales for the day, 221,200 shares.

BONDS.

Reported by Overbeck & Cooke Co., Board of Trade building, Portland.

	Bid.	Asked.
Atchison general 4s	94¼	94⅜
Atlantic Coast Line first 4s	91	
Baltimore & Ohio gold 4s	92	92½
B R T 4s	90¼	90½
Chesapeake & Ohio 4½s	86	87
C M & St P gen 4½s	99⅝	99⅞
C R I col 4s	57½	57⅞
Cal Gas 5s	93½	93⅞
C B Q joint 4s	94½	94⅝
Erie general 4s	72½	73¼
Int Met 4½s	75½	75⅝
Louisville & Nashville uni 4s	93¾	49
Missouri Pacific 4s	69	70
N Y C gen 3½s	84½	85
N & W first con 4s	93	
Northern Pacific 4s	93¾	94
Oregon Short Line ref 4s		89¼
Oregon Railway Nav 4s	91½	93
Pacific Tel 5s	98	98½
Penna con 4s	99	99½
Reading gen 4s	94¼	94½
St L & S F ref 4s	69	70½
Southern Pacific ref 4s	87¼	78¾
Southern Pacific col 4s	91	92¼
Southern Railway 5s	103½	104
Southern Railway 4s	76	76¾
United Railway Inv 4s	57½	
Union Pacific first and ref 4s	91	91⅜
United States Steel 5s	99⅝	100
West Shore 4s	93⅝	94⅜
Wabash 4s	56	57
Westinghouse Elec conv 5s	90⅝	91
Wisconsin Central 4s		89⅞
Western Pacific 5s	81½	82
United States 2s registered	100¼	100½
United States 2s coupon	100¼	
United States 3s registered	102⅜	103¾
United States 3s coupon	102⅝	103¾
United States 4s registered	113⅝	114½
United States 4s coupon	113⅝	114½

Stocks at Boston.

BOSTON, May 20.—Closing quotations:

Allouez	32¾	Mohawk	49½
Amalg Copper	74½	Nevada Con	16⅝
A Z L & Sm	23⅛	Nipissing Mines	8⅝
Arizona Com	3	North Butte	28⅛
B & C C & S M	1¼	North Lake	1¾
Cal & Arizona	63¾	Old Dominion	46½
Cal & Hecla	455	Osceola	83
Centennial	12½	Quincy	62½
Cop Ran Con Co	42½	Shannon	8½
E Butte Cop M	11½	Superior	27
Franklin	5¼	Sup & Bos Min	2⅝
Giroux Con	1⅝	Tamarack	28
Granby Con	68	U S S R & M	38¾
Greene Cananea	6⅝	do preferred	46½
I Royalle (Cop)	22½	Utah Con	7½
Kerr Lake	3⅝	Utah Copper Co	50½
Lake Copper	11½	Winona	1⅝
La Salle Copper	4⅛	Wolverine	57
Miami Copper	22⅝		

Money Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Money on call, steady, 2½@3 per cent; ruling rate, 2¾; closing bid, 2⅝; offered at 2¾.

Time loans, firm; 60 and 90 days, 4 per cent; six months, 4½@4¾ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 5¼@5½ per cent.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.83 for 60-day bills and at $4.8635 for demand.

Commercial bills, $4.82½.

Bar silver, 60⅞c.

Mexican dollars, 48c.

Government and railroad bonds, firm.

LONDON, May 20.—Bar silver, steady, 28 1-16d per ounce; money, 3@3¼ per cent; rate of discount in open market for short bills, 3⅞ per cent; do, three months' bills, 3 13-16@3⅞ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—Silver bars, 60⅞. Mexican dollars, nominal. Drafts, sight par; do telegraph, 2½c.

Sterling in London, 60 days, $4.83¼; do, sight, $4.86⅝.

Changes in Available Supplies.

NEW YORK, May 20.—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 Rockies, dec	2,420,000
United States, west Rockies, inc	83,000
Canada, decreased	2,784,000
Total United States and Canada, inc	5,121,000
Afloat for and in Europe, decreased	1,300,000
Total American and European supply, decreased	6,421,000
Corn, United States and Canada, dec	1,410,000
Oats, United States and Canada, dec	757,000

The leading decreases and increases reported this week follow: Decrease, Manitoba 682,000 bushels, Syracuse 70,000, Louisville 60,000, Port Huron 50,000; increase, Portland, Me., 378,000 bushels.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The condition of the United States Treasury at the beginning of business today was:

Working balance	$ 60,259,857
In banks and Philippine Treasury	45,878,464
Total of general fund	141,923,840
Receipts yesterday	1,645,275
Disbursements	1,537,666

The surplus this fiscal year is $4,506,329, as against a deficit of $11,040,929 last year. The figures for receipts, disbursements, surplus and deficit exclude Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

WOOL BUYERS ARE MORE INTERESTED

Some Increase in Trading at Boston—New Clips Quoted Lower.

BOSTON, May 20—More interest is being shown in domestic wool by both manufacturers and dealers, although the increase in business is small.

New territory wools are beginning to arrive, but the demand is light. All grades are quoted at lower prices, while medium fleeces are selling close to the low record.

Old territory stocks move slowly. Montana halfblood bringing 21c. Some Ohio three-eighths blood has brought 22c and new Ohio three-eighths a cent higher.

A fair trade is reported in Western pulled wool, but the demand for Texas and California products is lacking. Leading domestic values range as follows:

Missouri three-eighths blood, 24@25c; quarter blood, 24@25c.

Scoured basis—Texas fine, 12 months, 53@55c; fine six to eight months, 47@48c; fine Fall, 44@46c; California northern, 52@53c; middle county, 50@52c; Southern, 48@49c; Fall free, 48@50c.

Oregon Eastern, No. 1 staple, 54@55c; Eastern clothing, 53@55c; Valley, No. 1, 53@54c.

Territory, fine staple, 55@56c; fine medium staple, 54@55c; fine clothing, 50@52c; fine medium clothing, 49@50c; half-blood combing, 50@52c; three-eighths blood combing, 48@50c; quarter blood combing, 47@48c.

Pulled—AA, 54@55c; A supers, 50@54c.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

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

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—The following produce prices were current here today:

Fruit—Apples, 75c@$1.50; Mexican limes, $5@5.50; California lemons, choice, $5.50; common, $4@4.50; pineapples, $2@3.50.

Potatoes — Oregon Burbanks, 50@65c; River white, 90c; new, 1¼@2c; sweets, $3@3.25.

Cheese—New, 14@14½; Young Americas, 16c.

Eggs—Store, 15c; fancy ranch, 21c.

Hay—Wheat, $23@25; wheat and oats, $21.50@22; alfalfa, $12@14; barley, $18@21.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 27c; seconds, 26½c.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, $2.50@2.75; green peas, $1.50@2.25; string beans, 5@7c; egg plant, 25@30c.

Onions—Nevada, 75c@$1 per cental; new, red, 60@75c per sack; Bermuda seed, yellow, 90c@$1 per crate; white, $1.80@1.75.

Receipts—Flour, 13,724 quarters; barley, 4685 centals; potatoes, 1815 sacks; hay, 112 tons.

Naval Stores.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Coffee futures opened firm at an advance of one to four points and sold about three to six points net higher during the middle of the day on covering of shorts and bull support. The market lost most of its advance in the later trading under realizing and reports of a slightly easier spot situation. The close was steady, net unchanged to two points higher. Sales, 37,000. May, 11.12c; July, 11.16c; September, 11.34c; December, 11.36c; January, 11.37c; March, 11.40c.

Spot coffee—Barely steady. Rio 7s, 11½c. Santos 4s, 13⅝c. Mild coffee, quiet. Cordova, 14½@17c nominal.

Sugar—Raw, steady. Muscovado, 2.77@2.80c; centrifugal, 3.27@3.30; molasses, 2.52@2.55c; refined steady.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Copper steady. Spot to July, 15.37c offered; electrolytic, 15.87@16.00c; lake, 16.00c; castings, 15.62c.

Tin—Quiet and easy. Spot and May, 47.62@48.00c; June, 47.25@47.75c; July, 46.87@47.12.

Lead—Steady, 4.30c bid.

Spelter—Quiet, 5.35@5.45c.

Antimony—Dull. Cooksons, 8.75@9.00c.

Iron—Quiet and unchanged.

Copper exports this month 25,996 tons. London markets closed as follows: Copper, dull, spot, £68 7s 6d. futures, £68 8s 9d; futures, £68 7s 6d.

Tin—Quiet; spot, £218 5s: futures, £213 15s.

Lead—£19 6s 3d.

Spelter—£24 10s.

Iron—Cleveland warrants, 69s 9d.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Spot closed quiet. Middling uplands, 12.00c; do., gulf, 12.25c. Sales, 136 bales.

Futures closed very steady, 1 point higher to 5 points lower. May, 11.50c; June, 11.55c; July, 11.60c; August, 11.40c; September, 11.09c; October, 11.02c; November, 11.01c; December, 11.03c; January, 10.99c; March, 11.07c.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Evaporated apples, prunes and peaches, firm.

BUSY SUMMER EXPECTED

Y. M. C. A. MEMBERSHIP GROWS BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS.

Interest Brings Unusual Decision to Hold No Vacations in Either Day or Night Schools.

Activities about the Portland Young Men's Christian Association promise to keep up better this Summer than ever before. In every department there is unusual activity for this season, indicating that the association building is to be a busy place during the hot-weather months.

In the physical department the activity is especially notable. Last year only the business men's gymnasium classes were maintained during the Summer, but this year practically all of the gymnasium classes will remain in session. As a matter of fact these classes have been making gains during the past few weeks, due to the special Summer membership privileges.

The business men's "gym" classes were never more prosperous than at present. Volley ball has been taken up and the enthusiasm over the game has developed into a craze. Every noon and evening it is played in the big gymnasium and attracts interest of spectators as well as players. A canoe trip from Salem to Portland on May 29 and a relay race between the same cities on June 7 are helping to keep up interest in the physical department.

The educational department also will have an unusual Summer. All of the classes for which there is demand will remain in session without any intermission. This means that practically all branches of both the day and night schools will have no vacation this year, although, of course, there will be some falling off in attendance.

The religious work department also is having a busy season. The lecture course of Dr. John H. Boyd will end next Saturday, but other religious work clubs and classes will meet regularly during the Summer. No thought has been given as yet to a discontinuance of the Sunday meetings, although there may be a brief period when they will not be held.

"More than half as many men already have taken advantage of our special Summer memberships this year as did during all of last Summer," said W. B. Platt, membership secretary. "It promises to be a record season."

Cherry Tree Grafting Successful.

MONMOUTH, Or., May 20.—(Special.)—A. M. Arant, of this city, grafted three acres of seedling cherry trees with Royal Ann grafts two weeks ago. There were 383 trees 90 per cent of which grew. This is a very fine start, and those that have survived so far will probably grow to be healthy vigorous trees.

SPRING BELT IS WET

Abundance of Moisture in Dakotas and Minnesota.

WEAKENS CHICAGO MARKET

Wheat Prices at Close Are Down Half Cent—Selling Is of Influential Character — World's Available Supply Reduced.

CHICAGO, May 20.—Abundance of moisture in the Dakotas and Minnesota took the snap out of buying power today in the wheat pit. Although steady at the close, the market was ¼@⅜c to ½c under last night. Latest trading left corn varying from ⅛c off to 1-16c advance, oats down ⅛c to ½c and provisions strung out from 10c decline to a gain of a shade.

Selling of wheat was of an influential kind, and developed considerable volume on all the swells. The best support was early in the day. A material reduction in the world's available supply total furnished some temporary additional helps to the bull side.

Statements that in the Canadian Northwest wheat was nearly three weeks backward in growth and was suffering from dryness and cold failed to attract much notice, the fine conditions on this side of the international boundary proving decidedly more impressive.

Primary receipts of wheat today were 475,000 bushels; a year ago 360,000 bushels. Export clearances of wheat and flour equaled 339,000 bushels.

Notwithstanding heavier offerings from the country, the corn market was upheld by Iowa reports of delayed planting and probable slowness of shipments. Actual receipts here were scanty.

Oats weakened in view of the more general rains.

In provisions, longs realized on a moderate advance. The result was an easy feeling at the close.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$0.91	$0.91⅛	$0.90⅝	$0.90⅝
July	.89½	.89⅝	.88⅞	.88⅞
Sept.	.88¾	.88⅞	.88⅜	.88⅜
Dec.	.90⅝	.90⅝	.90¼	.90¼
CORN.				
May	.56⅝	.56⅞	.56¼	.56½
July	.56¾	.57	.56⅝	.56⅝
Sept.	.57⅛	.57½	.57⅛	.57⅛
Dec.	.55	.55⅛	.55	.55
OATS.				
May	.39⅜	.39½	.38⅞	.38⅞
July	.37¼	.37¼	.36⅝	.46⅝
Sept.	.36⅛	.36½	.35⅞	.35⅞
Dec.	.37¼	.37½	.36⅝	.36⅝
PORK.				
May	20.02½	20.10	19.90	19.90
July	19.90	19.92½	19.80	19.80
Sept.	19.55	19.60	19.47½	19.47½
LARD.				
May	11.25	11.30	11.15	11.15
July	11.10	11.10	11.02½	11.02½
Sept.	11.15	11.15	11.10	11.10
RIBS.				
July	11.30	11.35	11.27½	11.30
Sept.	11.15	11.17½	11.12½	11.12½

Cash prices were:

Corn—No. 2, 57½@57¾c; No. 2 white, 60¼@60¾c; No. 2 yellow, 57½@58c; No. 3, 57c; No. 3 white, 60¼c; No. 3 yellow, 57¼@57½c; No. 4, 56¼c; No. 4 white, 59½c; No. 4 yellow, 56½c.

Rye—No. 2, 63c.

Barley—48@68c.

Timothy—$2.35@3.65.

Clover—Nominal.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, May 20.—Cargoes on passage, quiet and steady.

English country markets, quiet.

French country markets, quiet.

LIVERPOOL, May 20. — Wheat — Spot, easier. Futures firm. May, 7s 6¼d; July, 7s 6⅞d; October, 7s 3⅛d.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 20.—Close—Wheat—May, 88⅝c; July, 89⅜@89¾c; September, 90c.

Cash—No. 1, hard, 91⅝c; No. 1, Northern, 90⅛@91⅛c; No. 2, Northern, 88⅝@89⅛c; No. 2, hard, Montana, 91⅛c; No. 3, wheat, 86⅛@87⅛c.

Flax—$1.32⅞.

Barley—45@60c.

Grains in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—Walla Walla, $1.62½@1.65; red Russian, $1.60@1.62½; Turkey red, $1.75@1.77½; bluestem, $1.75@1.80; feed barley, $1.47½@1.50; brewing, $1.52½@1.55; white oats, $1.62½@1.65; bran, $27@27.50; middlings, $31@32; shorts, $29@29.50.

Call board—Barley, firm. December, $1.47; May not quoted.

Puget Sound Wheat Markets.

SEATTLE, May 20.—Wheat—Bluestem, 99c; fortyfold, 90c; club, 89c; fife, 89c; red Russian, 88c.

Yesterday's car receipts, wheat, 12; oats, 4; barley, 3; hay, 26; flour, 8; corn, 1.

TACOMA, May 20.—Wheat—Bluestem, 99c; fortyfold, 90c; club, 89c; red fife, 88c. Car receipts—Wheat, 39; barley, 13; oats, 5; hay, 16.

BIRD PROTECTION IS AIM

Game Warden Finley Appointed on Committee to Prepare Zones.

Formulation of the National code of game protection, covering migratory and insectivorous birds, with reference to the Pacific Coast zone, will be attempted by officials of the three Coast states, at a meeting to be held in Portland this Summer. This is the announcement brought back by State Game Warden Finley, who has returned from a conference with the game commissioners and prominent sportsmen in California. Letters from interested persons in Washington indicate that the proposal is approved there.

On the last day of the regular session of Congress last March, a bill became a law, providing for a Federal code, to be drafted under the supervision of a bureau of the Department of California. It will act concurrently with the state regulations, but take precedence where there is a conflict, and jurisdiction will lie in the Federal courts. Warden Finley has been appointed on a committee to prepare the ground. The regulations will be applicable to topographical zones, and breeding seasons, so that a bird of a certain class may be protected in one district at one time and in another at another as the conditions may require.

BIG TRESTLE BEING BUILT

Mount Hood Railroad Company Completing Great Feat.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 20.—(Special.)—The Mount Hood Railroad Company is just completing a trestle, six hundred feet in length, on the extension of their road into the Lost Lake country. The trestle, which crosses a canyon just south of the Oregon Lumber Company's mill at Dee, is 32 feet high. The trestle is a link in the four miles of new road that will be opened before the Summer is over. A Portland firm of contractors is busy grading a stretch of two miles of road further in the timber land.

The Oregon Lumber Company owns large tracts of timberland on the headwaters of the West Fork of Hood River and the road probably will be extended further and further each year toward Lost Lake.

WOODBURN KILLS PLANS

School District Will Not Be Bonded for $50,000, Say 211 Voters.

WOODBURN, Or., May 20.—(Special.)—For the second time in two months the proposition to bond this school district for $50,000 with which to build an up-to-date high school building, was voted on here Saturday and was overwhelmingly defeated by a vote of 211 to 108. Less than two months ago the same question was submitted to the voters of the district, and it was turned down by a vote of 205 to 135.

MAZAMAS DISCUSS OUTING

Registration for Trip to Mt. Adams Will Begin July 1.

Plans for the 20th annual outing of the Mazama Club which will be held at Mt. Adams, August 2-17, were discussed at a meeting of the club last night at the offices of President Sheldon in the Chamber of Commerce building. Registration headquarters will be opened in the Portland Hotel on July 1 in charge of Eleanor G. Sheldon.

Fifty people have already signed up for the outing, which assures its success.

The outing committee has been reorganized with Francis W. Benefiel, chairman, and the following members: H. H. Prouty, guide; Mrs. Eleanor G. Sheldon, Miss M. A. Fleming, W. C. Yoran, L. E. Anderson and Miss Louise Almy.

Parkdale Library Flourishes.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 20.—(Special.)—One of the most thriving of the branch libraries of the Hood River Valley is that located at Parkdale in the Upper Valley. Although it has been established but a few months, the institution has more than 200 volumes of books that have been donated by residents of the community. Two hundred volumes are kept there by the county library. Other donations of books have been promised the library, which will soon outgrow the corner of the schoolhouse that now houses it. The citizens of the Upper Valley are planning on constructing a library building.

Cow testing associations in Germany have been established only since 1906, but control more than 112,000 cows. The associations are intended to increase the milk capacity of German cows.

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