MARKET LOOKS GOOD

Bright Outlook for 1914 Mohair Season.

DEALERS ARE CONFIDENT

Look for Good Prices and Early Demand—Quality Promises to Be Better Than Usual—Shearing Will Begin in Few Days.

Goat shearing will begin in the southern part of the Willamette Valley in the next week or 10 days, if the weather continues as at present. The indications point to an early market and a good one.

"The outlook for the 1914 mohair market in Oregon is better than it has been for years," said Henry Metzger yesterday. "I do not look for wonderful prices, but I expect a good demand and good prices. Conditions are better in the East, trade is improving, the mills are running on orders and dealers are confident. On the whole, the prospects are favorable for the mohair grower.

"Oregon will have a good clip this year, better than in recent years, and probably of former average size. What is important is the fact that it will run to a larger per cent of good quality, as the weather conditions to date have been good."

Eastern advices are of quiet trade in those markets. The stock of hair left in Texas appears to be intact still and growers are not willing to move it by lowering their asking prices. The Boston Commercial Bulletin says of conditions there:

"In the local market there have been no sales of foreign hair reported. Some stock is being taken abroad and we are advised of the purchase of some of the finer grade. Turkey hair at 15¼d, Bradford or a clean landed cost, Boston figured at slightly more than 35 cents.

Prices in the primary markets appear to be steady. One report from Constantinople states that a fair-sized sale of the finer grades was made there at 17¼d, which would be equivalent to about 40@41 cents landed Boston. No news of moment comes from the Cape this week. Yorkshire advices state that the demand has been relatively keen for the finer grades, but that no larger amount of business is being done in any grades.

"Total shipments of mohair from the Cape for 1913 were 24,704 bales, with 5620 left on hand, as compared with 36,170 bales and 900 bales carried into stock in 1912."

BETTER INQUIRY IN WHEAT MARKET

Speculators Have Quit Selling at Shaded Prices—Farmers Firm.

The wheat market was quiet yesterday, but the undertone was good. There is a little better inquiry from California for shipment after March 1. Dealers have stopped selling, at least at shaded prices, and farmers are firm as ever. Locally, club is quoted at 88@89 cents, but cannot be bought under 90 cents. Bluestem is firm at 98 cents. The Puget Sound markets were firm yesterday with more inquiry. Some export flour orders are being booked by the smaller millers.

Weekly foreign wheat shipments were as follows:

	This week.	Last week.	Last year.
Argentina	2,376,000	1,920,000	4,096,000
Australia	3,790,000	2,152,000	1,536,000

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	81	17	34	4	21
Tuesday	43	12	5	7	7
Wednesday	55	6	7	3	6
Thursday	36	14	10	1	15
Friday	35	3	14	4	13
Year ago	59	2	7	2	12
Season to date	13,379	2027	1911	1359	2038
Year ago	13,687	1772	1513	1207	1424

SOUTHERN OREGON SHEEP DO WELL

Quality of Clip Promises to Be Good. Growers Are Firm.

Southern Oregon sheepmen are looking for good wool prices this season, and are not disposed to sell ahead of shearing time. The Lakeview Examiner says:

"J. Frankl, representing Koshland, arrived Saturday evening from San Francisco and is ready to contract for the Spring clip. As a matter of course he is somewhat reticent as to what prices he can pay, but it seems to be the general impression that the sheepmen are unwilling to contract at this time, preferring to wait until Winter is over before disposing of their clips. It is also reported that some local representatives of Eastern and other firms will soon make some bids on this year's wool clip.

"According to all reports the season thus far has been very favorable, there having been no extremely cold weather and feed on the range being much better than for several years past. As a consequence the quality of the wool promises to be fully up to standard, while the yield will undoubtedly be better than usual."

INTERRUPTION TO ORANGE MOVEMENT

No Shipment by Next Week's Steamer From Southern California.

There will be no oranges on next week's California steamer, according to wires received yesterday, as the floods in the south have made it impossible for shippers to make connections. A fair shipment is on the steamer due Sunday, but it is a question whether this quantity will be sufficient to last for ten days until a further supply can be obtained. As a consequence, the markets at all points in the Northwest are firm.

The storms are also likely to prevent the movement of Southern California vegetables of all kinds, which are firm in price.

Another shipment of California asparagus was received yesterday and sold at 30 cents a pound. Texas eggplant was offered at 25 cents and beans at 20 cents.

DEMAND FOR EGGS EQUALS RECEIPTS

Market Holds Steady at Previous Day's Prices—Chickens Firm.

The egg market is holding fairly steady. The bulk of sales are at 23½ to 24 cents with 23 cents quoted by some dealers as a cleanup price. Consumption is equal to receipts, which are of fair size.

The poultry market was firm, particularly on chickens, which were readily taken at 16½ cents. Dressed meats were steady.

No changes were reported in butter prices. The city creameries are maintaining their former quotation of 35 cents and have no surplus, but there is some accumulation of outside butter, which is likely to go lower.

Hackett Crop of Hops Sold.

Hop buying operations in this state were on a limited scale yesterday. The only deal reported was the transfer by John Hackett, of McMinnville, of 141 bales to T. A. Livesley & Co. at 17 cents. No further business in Washington was announced.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$2,495,920	$355,682
Seattle	1,743,842	230,524
Tacoma	328,574	32,672
Spokane	543,353	69,903

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Club, 88@89c; bluestem, 98c; forty-fold, 89c; red Russian, 87@88c; valley, 89c.

OATS—No. 1 white, milling, $24@24.50 per ton.

CORN—Whole, $33.50@34; cracked, $34.50@35 per ton.

BARLEY—Feed, $22.50 per ton; brewing, $24, rolled, $25.

FLOUR — Patents, $4.60 per barrel; straights, $4; exports, $3.65@3.80; valley, $4.60; graham, $4.60; whole wheat, $4.80.

HAY—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, $16.50; mixed timothy, $14.00; alfalfa, $14; clover, $9@10; valley, grain hay, $12@13.50.

MILLFEED—Bran, $22 per ton; shorts, $24; middlings, $30.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navels, $1.75@2.25 per box; lemons, $3.50@4.50 per box; pineapples, 6c per pound; bananas, 4½c per pound; tangerines, $1.75 per box; grapefruit, California, $3.50; Florida, $5@6 per box.

VEGETABLE — Cauliflower, $2.25 per crate; cucumbers, $1.50@1.75 per dozen; eggplant, 10@15c per pound; peppers, 12½c per pound; radishes, 35c per dozen; head lettuce, $2@2.25 per crate; garlic, 12½c per pound; sprouts, 11c per pound; artichokes, $1.75 per dozen; squash, 1¾@2½c; celery, $3.50 per crate; tomatoes, $2.25@2.50 per crate; hothouse lettuce, 50@75c per box; spinach, $1 per crate; horseradish, 8@10c; rhubarb, 10c per pound; cabbage, 2¼@2½c per pound; asparagus, 30c per pound.

GREEN FRUIT—Apples, 75c@$2.25 per box. grapes, Malagas, $7.50@8 per keg; Emperors, $4 per keg; cranberries, $12@12.50 per barrel pears, $1@1.50.

ONIONS—Old, $3.25@3.50 per sack; buying price, $3 per sack at shipping points.

POTATOES—Oregon, 80@90c per hundred; buying price, 50@75c at shipping points; sweet potatoes, $2.25@2.50 per crate.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1; carrots, $1; parsnips, $1; beets, $1.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations:

EGGS—Oregon fresh ranch, 23@24c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 16½c; Springs, 16½c; turkeys, live, 20@22c; dressed, choice, 25@26c; ducks, 14@16c; geese, 12½@13c.

CHEESE—Oregon triplets, 21c. Daisies, nominal; Young Americas, nominal.

BUTTER—Creamery prints, extras, 35c per pound; cubes, 28@32c.

PORK—Fancy, 11c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 14@14½c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

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

HONEY—Choice, $3.40@3.50 per case.

NUTS — Walnuts, 14@20c per pound; Brazil nuts, 20c; filberts, 14@15c; almonds, 19@23c; peanuts, 5½@6c; cocoanuts, $1 per dozen; chestnuts, 8½@10c per pound; pecans, 14@15c.

BEANS—Small white, 6c; large white, 4.90c; Lima, 6.30c; pink, 4½c; Mexican, 5½c; bayou, 5⅝c.

SUGAR—Fruit and berry, $4.80; Honolulu plantation, $4.75; beet, $4.60; extra C, $4.30; powdered, barrels, $5.05.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 18@32c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $14.00 per ton; half-ground, 100s, $10.25 per ton; 50s, $11 per ton; dairy, $12.50 per ton.

RICE—No. 1 Japan, 5@5½c; cheaper grades, 4½c; Southern head, 5⅝@6⅝c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 10c per pound; apricots, 12@14c; peaches, 8@11c; prunes, Italians, 8@10c; currants, 9½c; raisins, loose, Muscatel, 6¼@7½c; bleached Thompson, 11⅝c; unbleached Sultanas, 5½c; seeded, 9c; dates, Persian, 7@7½c per pound; fard, $1.40 per box.

FIGS—Package, 6 oz., 50 to box, $1.85; package, 10 oz., 12 to box, 80c; white, 25-lb. box, $1.75; black, 25-lb. box, $1.75; black, 50-lb. box, $2.50; black, 10-lb. box, $1.15; Calarab candy figs, 20-lb. box, $3; Smyrna, per box $1.50.

Provisions.

HAMS—10 to 12-pound, 18½@19½c; 12 to 14-pound, 18½@19½c; 14 to 18-pound, 18@19c; skinned, 18½c; picnic, 16c; boiled, 22c.

BACON—Fancy, 26@27c; standard, 21@24c.

DRY SALT CURED—Bacon, 18½@20c; short clear backs, 14@16c; exports, 15@16½c; strips, 16@17½c.

LARD—Tierce basis: Pure, 12¾@13¼c; compound, 10½c.

Oils.

COAL OIL—Barrels, 13½c; cases, 17½@20½c.

GASOLINE—Bulk, 16c; cases, 23c; motor spirit, bulk, 16c; cases, 23c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 61; boiled, barrels, 63c; raw, cases, 60c; boiled, cases, 68c.

TURPENTINE—In case, 68c per gallon; tanks, 61c.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1913 crop, prime and choice, 17@18c; 1914 contracts, 15c.

PELTS—Dry, 10c; dry short wool, 7c; dry shearings, 10c; green shearings, 10c; salted lights, 60@75c; salted heavy, 75@90c.

HIDES—Salted hides, 12½c per pound; salt kip, 13c; salted calf, 19c; green hides, 11½c; dry hides, 23c; dry calf, 25c; salted bulls, 8c per pound; green bulls, 7c.

WOOL—Valley, 16@17c; Eastern Oregon, 10@15c.

MOHAIR—1913 clip, 26@27c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 5c per pound.

GRAIN BAGS—In car lots, 8@8¼c.

FIRM MARKET FOR HOGS

BUYERS AGAIN PAY $8.75 FOR TOP GRADE.

Six Loads Are Received—Cattle Prices Continue Steady—No Sales of Sheep.

Most of the trade at the stock yards yesterday was in the hog division, where prices were firm. Top-grade hogs again sold at $8.75, though the bulk of business was done at a nickel less.

Only three loads of cattle were handled. Steers sold from $6.75 to $7.65 and bulls from $5.25 to $5.50. No sheep sales were reported.

Receipts were 75 cattle, 2 calves, 700 hogs and 1440 sheep.

Shippers were: Lester Wade, Ione, 2 cars cattle; George Dunn, Ashland, 1 car cattle; Arlington Lumber Company, Condon, 1 car hogs; McCaw & Lydston, Weiser, 2 cars hogs; E. A. Rugg, Agane, 1 car hogs; Grover Bros., Ontario, 1 car hogs; L. McGregor, North Powder, 1 car hogs; J. B. McAndie, Hobson, 12 cars sheep; J. D. Dinsmore, West Stayton, 1 car cattle, calves and hogs.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
1 steer	1600	$6.75	15 hogs	127	$8.20
1 bull	1420	5.50	3 hogs	247	8.20
14 steers	1361	7.50	72 hogs	185	8.70
2 hogs	416	7.75	26 bulls	1054	5.25
96 hogs	199	8.75	15 steers	1237	7.65
30 hogs	122	8.15	9 bulls	1571	5.50
90 hogs	159	8.65	68 hogs	188	8.70
18 hogs	127	8.15	16 hogs	178	8.70
89 hogs	178	8.70	14 hogs	140	8.15
5 hogs	368	7.70	1 hog	150	7.50
6 hogs	349	7.70			

Current local quotations on the various classes of livestock follow:

Prime steers	$7.60@$8.00
Choice steers	7.40@ 7.60
Medium steers	7.00@ 7.25
Choice cows	6.25@ 6.75
Medium cows	6.00@ 6.25
Heifers	6.00@ 7.25
Light calves	8.00@ 9.00
Heavy calves	6.00@ 7.50
Bulls	4.00@ 5.60
Stags	6.00@ 7.00
Hogs—	
Light	7.75@ 8.75
Heavy	7.00@ 7.70
Sheep—	
Wethers	5.00@ 6.00
Ewes	3.50@ 4.75
Lambs	5.00@ 6.75

Omaha Livestock Market.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 20.—Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; market, lower. Heavy, $8.35@8.50; light, $8.10@8.35; pigs, $7@8; bulk of sales, $8.25@8.40.

Cattle—Receipts, 700; market, steady. Native steers, $7.25@8.75; cows and heifers, $6.25@8.10; Western steers, $6.25@8; Texas steers, $5.75@7.30; range cows and heifers, $5.75@7; calves, $7.25@10.25.

Sheep—Receipts, 8700; market, steady. Yearlings, $6.25@6.60; wethers, $5.30@5.90; ewes, $4.80@5.60; lambs, $7@7.55.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Hogs—Receipts, 27,000; market, slow, 5c under yesterday's average. Bulk of sales, $8.55@8.65; light and mixed, $8.45@8.70; heavy, $8.35@8.70, rough, $8.35@8.45; pigs, $7.70@8.60.

Cattle—Receipts, 2000; market, steady. Beeves, $7.10@9.65; Texas steers, $6.90@8; Western steers, $6.60@7.85; stockers and feeders, $5.50@7.90; cows and heifers, $3.70@8.50; calves, $7.50@10.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 14,000; market, steady. Native, $4.85@6.25; Western, $4.90@6.25; yearlings, $5.80@7.25; lambs, $6.90@7.85; Western, $6.90@7.90.

Hops at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Hops steady.

W. H. Meredith Out for Congress.

BANDON, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—W. H. Meredith, County Attorney of Curry, stated here that he would be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Representative from this district. Mr. Meredith is widely and favorably known here. He intends to make a tour of the First Congressional District in the near future.

WOOL SALES LARGE

Stocks at All Seaboard Markets Much Reduced.

MILLS ARE WELL EMPLOYED

Evidences of Improving Conditions Accumulate in Commercial and Industrial Lines — Winter Weather Is Trade Factor.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Dun's Review tomorrow will say:

Weather conditions were an important factor in the business situation this week. Recent storms impeded railroad traffic and retarded the distribution of merchandise, yet certain lines of trade benefited by the heavy snowfall and zero temperatures. There was a notable increase in the movement of footwear and heavy-weight apparel, while fuel was in greater demand.

Sentiment in commercial and industrial channels remains optimistic and evidences of improving conditions accumulate. This is particularly true of wool, sales of which continue large at advancing prices. A material reduction has occurred in supplies at all seaboard markets since the opening of the year, and in some instances stocks are now scarce.

Both cotton and woolen mills are well employed as a rule, and prospects are considered satisfactory.

Failures this week numbered 366 in the United States, against 331 last year, and 59 in Canada, compared with 27 a year ago.

INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS EXPANDING

Gait of Production in Several Lines Is Speeded Up.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

Optimism as to the future is unimpaired, industrial operations are expanding at an encouraging rate, the gait of production in several leading lines having been considerably speeded up; high-grade bonds continue to receive a good reception from investors; retail trade in Winter apparel has been stimulated by heavy snow storms and zero weather, the coal trade has been benefited, and Fall-sown wheat, apparently uninjured thus far, is in excellent condition and gives promise of an enormous yield if it goes to maturity without further untoward developments.

On the other hand, inclement weather, particularly in the East, has impeded shipments and stiffened prices of some commodities.

Business failures for the week are 316, against 225 last year. Wheat exports for the week were 3,174,647 bushels, against 4,092,408 last year.

CHANGES ARE NARROW

ONLY MINOR STOCKS FIGURE IN DAY'S MOVEMENT.

Bonds Are Quiet and Steady, Except Rock Island Issues, Which Score Sharp Advances.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The only semblance of life in the stock market today was derived from the movements of shares with a small speculative following, which ordinarily play an unimportant part in the dealings. These stocks moved irregularly, reflecting no general tendency.

The bond market was quiet. Changes were unimportant, except in the case of Rock Island issues, which advanced sharply. Total sales of bonds, par value, $2,800,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

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

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	5,100	76¼	75⅝	75⅝
Am Beet Sugar	100	23½	23½	23
Am Can Co	900	31¾	31	31¼
do preferred	200	92⅞	92⅞	92¼
Am Car & Fdy	600	52	51¾	51⅜
Am Cotton Oil				44¾
Am Smel & Ref	300	68½	68½	68¼
do preferred	400	101⅞	101⅞	102
Am Sugar	300	105½	105½	105½
do preferred				112
Am Tel & Tel				121
Am Tobacco	200	248¾	248¾	248
Anaconda	800	36⅝	36⅛	36⅝
Atl Coast Line				123½
A T & Santa Fe	200	98⅛	98	97⅞
do preferred				101
Balt & Ohio	400	92⅝	92½	92⅝
Brook R Tran	10,700	93¼	92½	93
Canadian Pac	2,000	214⅞	214¾	214¼
C & O	500	64⅝	64	64¼
C & G W				13⅞
C & N W				135½
C, M & St Paul	300	103	103	102¾
Central Leather	7,400	33⅜	32¼	32⅝
Chino	2,300	42⅜	41½	42¼
Col Fuel & Iron	200	32⅝	32⅝	32½
Col Southern				26
Consol Gas	500	134	134	133⅝
D L & W				395
D & R G				15⅝
Distilling Securi	400	19	18⅞	19
Erie	1,000	30¼	30⅛	30⅜
General Elec	2,700	150⅝	149	148⅝
Gt North Ore				36½
Gt North pf	500	129½	129¼	129¼
Illinois Central	200	111½	110⅞	111
Interboro Metro	600	15½	15⅛	15¼
do preferred	500	61¼	60⅝	61
K C Southern	800	26½	25⅞	26
Lehigh Valley	1,400	151½	150⅝	151
Louis & Nash	500	137	136	136
M, S P & S S M				134
Mo, Kan & Tex				21⅝
Mo Pacific	700	27	26½	26⅝
National Lead				50½
Nat Biscuit	500	133⅜	132	130½
do preferred				123
N Y Central	1,700	90⅝	90¼	90⅛
N Y, Ont & Wes	100	28⅝	28⅝	28⅜
Norfolk & West	1,200	104⅝	104½	104½
North America				69½
Northern Pac	200	116¼	116	115⅞
Pacific Mail				26¼
Pacific T & T				28
do preferred				87
Pennsylvania	1,200	112⅝	112¼	112¼
People's Gas	100	121⅜	121⅜	122
Reading	4,800	167⅝	167¼	167⅝
Republic S & I	400	26¼	26	25⅝
Rock Island Co	5,300	6½	5⅝	5⅞
Southern Pac	1,900	96½	96⅛	96⅝
Southern Ry	800	27	26¾	26⅝
Texas Oil	400	148⅝	147½	148
Union Pacific	7,000	162½	161⅞	161⅞
do preferred				85¼
United Rds S F				22
U S Steel Cor	11,400	66¼	66	66
do preferred	100	110⅝	110⅝	110¼
Utah Copper	7,000	55⅝	55	55
Wabash	1,300	2½	2¼	2⅜
Western Union	1,600	65¼	65¼	65
Westing Elec	3,100	72½	71½	71½
Wisconsin Cent				45

Total sales for the day, 156,700 shares.

BONDS.

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

	Bid.	Asked.
Atchison general 4s	95½	95⅝
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	93¼	93⅝
B & O gold 4s	95⅛	....
B R T 4s	91⅝	92
Chesapeake & Ohio 4½s	95⅝	96½
C M & St P gen 4½s	103	103¼
C R I col 4s	45½	45⅝
Cal Gas 5s	94	94½
C B Q joint 4s	96⅛	96½
Erie general 4s	73½	74⅝
Int Met 4½s	77⅝	78
Louisville & Nashville uni 4s	95⅝	95½
Missouri Pacific 4s	60	63
N Y C gen 3½s	63	83⅝
N & W 1st con 4s	94⅝	95½
Northern Pacific 4s	95½	95⅝
Oregon Short Line ref 4s	....	94
Oregon Ry Nav 4s	93	93⅝
Pacific Tel 5s	98¼	98⅝
Penna con 4s	100½	101
Reading general 4s	94½	95¼
St L & S F ref 4s	77	77⅝
Southern Pacific ref 4s	92	92½
Southern Pacific col 4s	91	93
Southern Railway 5s	150½	105½
Southern Railway 4s	75½	75½
United Railway inv 4s	....	60
Union Pacific 1st and ref 4s	93¼	94½
United States Steel 5s	102½	102⅝
West Shore 4s	93	94
Wabash 4s	59½	60
Westinghouse Elec conv 5s	94	95
Wisconsin Central 4s	88	88⅝
United States 2s registered	98⅝	99⅝
United States 2s coupon	98⅝	99½
United States 3s registered	102	103
United States 3s coupon	102	....
United States 4s registered	111⅝	112⅝
United States 4s coupon	112	....

Stocks at Boston.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—Closing quotations:

Allouez	43	Mohawk	45¼
Amalg Copper	75⅝	Nevada Con	16
A Z L & Sm	19⅝	Nipissing Mines	6¼
Arizona Com	5½	North Butte	29½
Cal & Arizona	68⅝	North Lake	2¼
Cal & Hecla	445	Old Dominion	52¼
Centennial	17½	Osceola	82
Cop Ran Con Co	39	Quincy	68¼
E Butte Cop M	12	Shannon	7¼
Franklin	6½	Superior	31¼
Granby Con	86¾	Sup & Bos Min	2⅜
Greene Cananea	39⅝	Tamarack	41½
I Royalle (Cop)	22½	U S S R & M	42
Kerr Lake	42⅝	do preferred	48½
Lake Copper	9¼	Utah Con	12⅝
La Salle Copper	5¼	Winona	47
Miami Copper	23⅝		

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Call money steady, 1¾@2 per cent; ruling rate, 1¾ per cent; closing bid, 1¾@2 per cent.

Time loans, steady; 60 days, 2½@2¾ per cent; 90 days, 2¾@3 per cent; six months, ..@3¼ per cent.

Mercantile paper, 3¾@4½ per cent.

Sterling exchange, steady. Sixty days, $4.8375; demand, $4.8590.

Commercial bills, $4.83.

Bar silver, 57½c.

Mexican dollars, 45c.

Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, irregular.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Consols for money, 76 1-16; for account, 76⅛; Union Pacific, 166⅝.

Bar silver, quiet, 26 9-16d.

Money, 1@1¼.

Short bills and three months, 2⅝.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Silver bars, 57½c.

Telegraph drafts, 5c.

Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.83⅝; do. sight, $4.86⅛.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET.

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

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Fruit—Pineapples, $1.50@2.25; apples, Newtown Pippins, $1.50@2; Hoover, $1.25@1.50; No. 2, 60c@$1; Mexican limes, $5.50@6.50; California lemons, $2@3.50.

Potatoes—River Delta whites, 75c@$1.10; Oregon Burbanks, $1.10@1.35; sweets, $1.25@1.65.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, bothouse, $2.75@3; green peas, 8@10c; string beans, 25c; eggplant, Florida, 15@20c.

Onions—Oregon, $3.25@3.35.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 26c; seconds, 25c.

Eggs—Fancy ranch, 22c; store, 20c.

Cheese—New, 16½@19c; Young Americas, 16@20c.

Receipts — Flour, 4540 quarters; barley, 2300 centals; potatoes, 1365 sacks; hay, 230 tons.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—There was a renewal of selling at the opening of the coffee market today. First prices were 7 to 9 lower. Offerings were not so active, however, while prominent brokers seemed to be buying May and prices later steadied on covering, which may have been inspired by bullish views of the coming crop and smaller Sao Paulo receipts. The close was steady, 2 to 5 net lower. Sales, 77,000 bags. February, 8.87c; March, 8.89c; May, 9.10c; July, 9.28c; September, 9.40c; October, 9.44c; December, 9.54c; January, 9.66c.

Spot quiet. Rio No. 7, 9¾c; Santos No. 4, 11⅝c. Mild dull. Cordova, 13@16c nominal.

Raw sugar steady. Muscovado, 2.92c; centrifugal, 3.42c; molasses, 2.67c. Refined steady.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Copper, nominal. Standard spot and March, 13.75@14.37½c; electrolytic, 14.87½c; lake, nominal; casting, 14.62½@14.75c.

Tin, weak. Spot, 39.00@39.25c; May, 38.95@39.25c.

Antimony, dull. Cookson's, 7.25c.

Iron, steady, unchanged.

Lead, quiet, 3.95@4.05; London, £19 10s.

Spelter, quiet, 5.30@5.40c; London, £21 10s.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Butter—Unchanged.

Eggs—Lower. Receipts, 7704 cases; at mark, cases included, 24@25¼c; ordinary firsts, 24@24½c; firsts, 25@25¼c.

Cheese—Unchanged.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Evaporated apples firm. Fancy, 11½@12½c. Prunes firm. Peaches firm.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Spot cotton, quiet; middling uplands, 13.00c; do. gulf, 13.25c.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, Feb. 20. — Linseed, $1.54¾@1.55¼; May, $1.56¼; July, $1.57⅝.

FLAG SALE ENDS TODAY

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK FAR MORE THAN THOSE LAST YEAR.

Mrs. Carl Stanley Takes in $20 for One Emblem—Miss Kelly and Miss Foulkes Take in Large Sums.

This is the final day of the 1914 campaign for child welfare. All week members of the Oregon Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations have been selling little silk flags for the benefit of their educational work in Portland and other parts of the state. The headquarters at the Hotel Imperial have been the center of activities. Yesterday marked the banner day and receipts are far above those of last year's sale.

Mrs. Carl Stanley sold one flag yesterday for $20. Miss Dagmar Inez Kelly and Miss Celeste Foulkes, of the Shattuck district, made some large sales.

Mrs. M. M. Chittenden will be at headquarters today to receive returns.

Among the stations and those in charge will be: Hotel Imperial, Mrs. Ralph Hoyt; Hotel Portland, Mrs. Donald Spencer and Mrs. John Claire Montieth; Hotel Benson, Mrs. W. A. Laidlaw and Mrs. A. A. Lindsley; Hotel Oregon, Mrs. J. H. Stanley; Meier & Frank Co., Mrs. I. M. Walker, Mrs. A. W. Chance and Miss Helen White; Olds, Wortman & King, Mrs. Joseph Prudhomme; Lipman, Wolfe & Co., Mrs. F. J. Sherman and Miss Lois Scott; Chamber of Commerce, Miss Dagmar Inez Kelly, Miss Celeste Foulkes and Miss Marie Chapman.

Fifty teachers, members of the Portland Grade Teachers' Association, will assist. The headquarters will be in charge of Mrs. Aristene Felts, Mrs. Thomas G. Greene, Mrs. Martin Wagner, Mrs. R. E. Bondurant, F. S. Myers and O. M. Plummer.

SHOE FITTERS ELECT

OFFICERS TO BE CHOSEN AT MEETING TODAY.

First Session Spent in Naming New Committees to Handle Affairs for Coming Year.

Election of officers of the Oregon State Association of the Master Horseshoers' and Blacksmiths' Protective Association of America, in second annual convention at the Imperial, will be held today.

The convention opened yesterday with about 75 delegates from all parts of Oregon in attendance. The day was largely taken up with getting acquainted and in the organization of the convention.

The following committees were appointed: Riches, of Silverton; N. T. McKeon, of Salem; L. E. Thompson, of Eugene, and N. A. Jennings, of Grants Pass. Auditing—Fred Wagner, of The Dalles; Jack Riches, of Silvreton; N. T. McKeon, of McMinnville. Grievance—N. A. Lunde, of Falls City; W. A. McDonald, of Newberg; F. L. Kemp, of Ashland. Press—W. J. Farum, of Portland; C. A. Holmes, of Astoria; George Merriman, of Medford.

Astoria Boosters Delay Dinner.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—The boosters' meeting and dinner that was to be held in this city Saturday night has been postponed until Tuesday of next week. This was done because President Gilman and other officials of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle telegraphed today that they could not arrange to be here before the later date.

CROPS HURT ABROAD

Conditions in This Country Are Satisfactory.

EXPORT TRADE REVIVES

Damage Occurs in Russia, France and India and Is Threatened in Australia—Wheat Prices Hold Firm.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Revival of export demand had a strengthening influence today on wheat. Except for an occasional slight lapse, the market was higher throughout the day and closed steady with a net gain of a shade. Corn finished ⅛@⅜c up and oats at an advance of ⅛@¼c, but provisions off 2½@5c to 7½c.

Domestic weather and crop conditions at most points without blemish formed the chief obstacle to a more decided upturn in the wheat market. The contrast in this respect with other countries was quite unusual. Prussia and France reporting Winter killing. India rains which spoiled the harvest and Australia forebodings of trouble from drouth.

Corn developed independent firmness on account of better shipping demand, although the improvement was only slight.

There was evidence of a good call for oats. The principal buyers were elevator companies, thought to be removing hedges on consignments for the East.

Packers unloaded provisions. Resulting weakness, however, was to some extent offset by the effect of the bulge in corn.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$ .94½	$ .94¾	$ .94¼	$ .94¼
July	.89⅞	.89½	.89⅛	.89⅜
CORN.				
May	.65⅞	.66½	.65¼	.66⅛
July	.65¼	.65⅝	.65¼	.65⅝
OATS.				
May	.40	.40½	.39⅞	.40¼
July	.39⅜	.39⅜	.39⅜	.39⅜
MESS PORK.				
May	21.62½	21.67½	21.62½	21.62½
LARD.				
May	10.75	10.80	10.75	10.77½
July	10.97½	10.97½	10.95	10.95
SHORT RIBS.				
May	11.47½	11.52½	11.47½	11.50
July	11.62½	11.65	11.62½	11.62½

Cash prices were:

Wheat, No. 2 red, 96¾c; No. 3 red, 94@95c; No. 2 hard, 93¼@93¾c; No. 3 hard, 92¼@92½c; No. 2 Northern, 94½@95½c; No. 3 Northern, 92¼@94c; No. 2 Spring, 94@95c; No. 3 Spring, 92@94c.

Corn, No. 3, 60½@63c; No. 3 white, 63¾c; No. 3 yellow, 61¼@63c.

Rye, No. 2, 62c.

Barley, 50@70c.

Timothy, $3.75@5.25.

Clover, $12@14.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Cargoes on passage, improved demand.

English country markets, firm; French country markets, quiet.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 20. — Wheat—Spot, firm. Futures firm; March, 7s 4¼d; May and July, 7s 3⅞d.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 20.—Wheat, No. 1 hard, 95⅝c; No. 1 Northern, 93⅞@94⅝c; No. 2 Northern, 91⅞@92⅝c; No. 3 wheat, 88⅞@90⅝c; May, 92@92⅛c; July, 93¼@93⅜c.

Barley, 45@55c.

Flax, $1.54¾@1.56⅝.

San Francisco Grain Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Spot quotations: Walla Walla, $1.58⅝@1.60; red Russian, $1.56¼@1.57½; Turkey red, $1.60@1.62½; bluestem, $1.65@1.67½; feed barley, $1.05; brewing barley, nominal; white oats, $1.25@1.27½; bran, $23@23.50; middlings, $30@31; shorts, $25.50@26.

Call board—Barley, December, $1.16; May, $1.16¼; June, $1.15 asked; July, $1.07 bid, $1.12 asked.

Puget Sound Wheat Markets.

SEATTLE, Feb. 20. — Wheat—Bluestem, 97c; fortyfold, 89c; club, 88c; Fife, 88c; red Russian, 87c.

Yesterday's car receipts—Wheat 6, oats 2, barley 6, corn 2, hay 31, flour 3.

TACOMA, Feb. 20. — Wheat—Bluestem, 98c; fortyfold, 88½c; club, 88c; red Russian, 87c.

Car receipts—Wheat, 5, barley 4, corn 2, hay 1.

MANY REGISTER IN DAY

DESPITE THREATENING WEATHER 1067 MORE QUALIFY.

Total Is 28,628, and County Clerk Thinks Extra Hours of Business Today Will Increase It to 30,000.

Despite threatening weather during the afternoon registration continued heavy yesterday, 1067 voters registering during the day, bringing the total to 28,628. Of the day's registration 703 were men and 364 women.

Today, with the registration quarters open 13 hours, from 8 o'clock in the morning until 9 tonight, County Clerk Coffey thinks the 30,000 mark will be passed. The largest number of registrations on a single day has been 1104, but Mr. Coffey thinks the Saturday night shoppers will make it possible to run up a total of 1372.

Yesterday was a big day for the county, 140 voters registering from precincts outside the city limits. On only one other day since the books were open has the outlying registration been as heavy.

The total registration by party follows:

	Men.	Women.	Total.
Republicans	13,750	4802	18,552
Democrats	4,452	1796	6,248
Progressives	879	539	1,418
Independents	809	293	1,102
Prohibitionists	333	497	830
Socialists	362	116	478
Totals	20,585	8043	28,628

Harney County Total 416.

BURNS, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—At the close of office hours Saturday, February 14, the following was the registration of voters at the County Clerk's office for Harney County:

	Men.	Women.	Total.
Republicans	184	43	227
Democrats	124	41	165
Progressives	2	1	3
Socialists	12	3	15
Independents	4	0	4
Prohibitionists	2	0	2
Totals	328	88	416

Josephine Mills Are Active.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—The lumbermen of Josephine County are making preparations for the Spring opening of the mills. Sawmills are being equipped for operation and many mills that were actively engaged in this industry during the past season are being moved to newly acquired timber belts. The Grants Pass Lumber Company, through its manager, G. H. Carner, has purchased the co-operative mill at Murphy and this mill will be shipped from this city to the Wolf Creek district, where large timber holdings recently were taken over by Mr. Carner and his associates. This industry yearly nets Josephine County a large sum of money, as some of the best timber in the state for the manufacture of lumber is located here.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Feb. 20.—Maximum temperature, 52 degrees; minimum, 45 degrees. River reading at 8 A. M., 3.8 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.1 foot rise. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), 0.02 inch; total rainfall since September 1, 1913, 27.85 inches; normal rainfall since September 1, 30.08 inches; deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1913, 2.23 inches. Total sunshine February 20, 45 minutes; possible sunshine, 10 hours, 30 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea-level) at 5 P. M., 29.38 inches.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Maximum temp	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	Precipitation past 24 hours	State of weather
Baker	42	6	SE	0.04	Rain
Boise	52	16	SE	0.02	Cloudy
Boston	28	12	NE	0.08	Snow
Calgary	42	..	....	0.00	Clear
Chicago	24	4	NE	0.01	Snow
Denver	58	6	SE	0.00	Clear
Des Moines	30	4	E	0.04	Cloudy
Duluth	14	14	SW	0.00	Clear
Galveston	58	8	N	0.00	Clear
Helena	36	4	NW	0.01	Clear
Jacksonville	70	8	SW	0.54	Clear
Kansas City	34	6	N	0.00	Cloudy
Los Angeles	60	24	SE	1.42	Rain
Marshfield	48	4	NW	0.38	Cloudy
Medford	52	18	SE	0.01	Clear
Montreal	2	8	NE	0.00	Clear
New Orleans	54	8	N	0.00	Clear
New York	28	24	N	0.02	Cloudy
North Head	54	8	E	0.04	Cloudy
North Yakima	46	6	N	0.00	Cloudy
Phoenix	70	6	E	0.02	Pt. cloudy
Pocatello	50	14	SE	0.00	Cloudy
Portland	52	12	E	0.02	Rain
Roseburg	46	4	S	0.32	Rain
Sacramento	60	28	SE	1.34	Rain
St. Louis	34	8	NE	0.00	Cloudy
St. Paul	20	8	SW	0.01	Clear
Salt Lake	50	12	SE	0.02	Cloudy
San Francisco	60	24	S	2.04	Rain
Seattle	60	12	E	0.08	Cloudy
Spokane	48	8	E	0.02	Cloudy
Tacoma	58	8	NE	0.06	Cloudy
Tatoosh Island	52	36	NE	0.02	Pt. cloudy
Walla Walla	44	4	W	0.00	Cloudy
Washington	44	12	N	0.00	Cloudy
Winnipeg	14	18	S	0.01	Snow

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

A severe storm is central over Southwestern Oregon and warnings for this disturbance were ordered displayed at all stations in this district at 6:30 P. M. The storm has caused heavy rains in California and lesser amounts elsewhere on the Pacific Slope. A large high-pressure area extends from Texas northeastward to the St. Lawrence Valley and a low-pressure area is central over the East Gulf States. Rain has fallen in Florida and snow has occurred in the Missouri and Upper Mississippi Valleys and in portions of the Lakes Region, Middle Atlantic and New England States. Mild temperatures prevail in the western half of the United States and, as a rule, it is colder than usual in the eastern half.

The conditions are favorable for rain in this district Saturday and probably also Sunday, with increasing winds in the interior and a southeast shifting to southwest gale along the coast.

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Rain; brisk to high southeast winds.

Oregon and Washington—Rain; brisk to high southeast winds interior, southeast, shifting to southwest gale along the coast.

Idaho—Rain; high southeasterly winds.

EDWARD A. BEALS, District Forecaster.

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