PRUNE TRADE HALTS

Packers Making Little Effort to Contract New Crop.

GROWERS ARE VERY FIRM

Estimates of Northwestern Yield Range From Six to Nine Million Pounds—World Supply Much Less Than Last Year's.

There is still a lack of activity in the Northwestern prune market, and with the crop situation as it stands, conditions could hardly be otherwise. Packers are making very little effort and some of them no effort at all, to contract with growers. Because of the very light crops growers are not inclined to talk business with buyers at this time.

Estimates of the 1914 crop, made by five or six of the largest packing concerns in the Northwest, range from 6,000,000 to 9,000,000 pounds of dried prunes. This does not include Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington or Idaho, which sections generally ship their prunes fresh. However, on account of the good prices of dried prunes this year, these latter districts may cure their prunes this season.

Taking a world view of the prune market, a leading authority furnishes the following comparison of the prospective 1914 tonnage with that of 1913:

1914 estimate—	Pounds.
California	110,000,000
Oregon	8,000,000
Bosnia and Servia	100,000,000
France	50,000,000
Carry-over	.....
Total	268,000,000

1913 production—	Pounds.
California	95,000,000
Oregon	28,000,000
Bosnia and Servia	111,000,000
France	15,000,000
Carry-over from 1912	60,000,000
Total	309,000,000

This leaves the available supply of prunes for 1914 about 41,000,000 pounds less than that for 1913. Prices ruling the world over now are fully 30 per cent higher than they were at this time last year. It remains to be seen what will occur to prices when the new goods are actually ready for consumption.

DEMAND FOR WHEAT NOT IMPORTANT

Buyers Quoting Lower Prices, but there Is Little Wheat to Buy.

The wheat market continues in a most inactive condition. Buyers are disposed to quote lower prices, but there is little wheat to buy and the demand is unimportant. The Eastern and foreign markets are holding strong and this tends to prevent Coast markets from going off faster. In explanation of the strength abroad, Broomhall says in his international review:

"The principal factor in the market during the week has been a diminution in the available supply imported, with a scarcity of native wheat in the United Kingdom and some Continental countries, together with a paucity of shippers' offers for nearby shipment. Although the world's shipments are somewhat heavier, the proportion to the United Kingdom is small, but I expect further heavy shipments in the near future, because of better roads and the reopening of waterways, which will enable farmers to forward their grain more freely to shipping ports, and these increased shipments will relieve the stringency of the spot situation, which threatens to become acute. The outlook for the growing crop has been exerting a great influence, which up to the present has been bearish, but according to latest advices, the Spring crops of the States and Canada are not making a very favorable start; although the crop outlook in Europe is generally favorable, there are some complaints from Hungary and Roumania and some parts of France. The distribution of imported wheat into Europe during April has amounted to 11,000,000 bushels per week."

Crop prospects in the leading exporting countries be summarized as follows:

India—Good sales are reported, but the advance in prices has served to check buying.

Argentina—Wet weather is unfavorable for planting of wheat and also corn movement.

Australia—Farmers' holdings of wheat are light. The outlook for seeding is good.

Russia—More rain is wanted in the southwest, otherwise weather and crop prospects are favorable. Some ports are reporting larger supplies.

Roumania—Rain needed and some reports state that moisture is urgently wanted.

Hungary—Some rain has fallen, but light, and the chief wheat districts are still drouthy. Buying from Roumania continues on a liberal scale.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Monday	18	6	17	3	10
Year ago	88	18	14	8	11
Season to date	15430	2309	2632	1589	2005
Year ago	16434	2301	2358	1568	2147

WHEAT SUPPLY RAPIDLY DECLINING

Another Decrease of Nearly Five Million Bushels in American Visible.

The weekly wheat statistics of the Merchants' Exchange follow:

American visible supply—

	Bushels.	Decrease.
May 18, 1914	33,094,000	4,812,000
May 19, 1913	42,855,000	2,712,000
May 20, 1912	34,568,000	3,612,000
May 22, 1911	24,034,000	515,000
May 23, 1910	22,030,000	544,000
May 24, 1909	22,420,000	1,740,000
May 25, 1908	24,072,000	2,415,000
May 27, 1907	50,759,000	196,000
May 28, 1906	31,992,000	1,656,000
May 29, 1905	21,126,000	1,423,000

Quantities on passage—

For	W'k end. May 16. Bushels.	W'k end. May 9. Bushels.	W'k end. May 17-15. Bushels.
U. Kingdom	19,464,000	26,408,000	25,488,000
Continent	23,728,000	21,592,000	21,416,000
Total	43,192,000	48,000,000	56,904,000

World's shipments principal exporting countries (flour included)—

From	W'k end. May 16. Bushels.	W'k end. May 9. Bushels.	W'k end. May 17-15. Bushels.
U. S. and Can.	3,730,000	3,777,000	7,017,000
Argentina	904,000	1,344,000	2,480,000
Australia	1,016,000	2,112,000	1,400,000
Danube	1,824,000	1,424,000	504,000
Russia	5,120,000	4,856,000	2,136,000
India	216,000	104,000	1,256,000
Total	12,810,000	13,617,000	14,787,000

World's shipments, season to date—

	Total since July 1, '13. Bushels.	Same period last season. Bushels.
U. S. and Canada	224,270,000	206,910,000
Argentina	58,040,000	115,840,000
Australia	59,230,000	42,118,000
Danube	55,627,000	50,980,000
Russia	145,280,000	99,474,000
India	26,760,000	49,552,000
Total	549,825,000	560,884,000

FIRST APPEARANCE OF RASPBERRIES

Strawberry Supply Is Larger and Price Eases Off.

The street was liberally stocked with strawberries, and although prices were lower all around, supplies did not entirely clean up. Over 1000 crates of California berries were received and ranged in price from 75 cents to $1.25 a crate. Oranges held for the most part at $1.75 to $1.75, very few bringing $2. These oranges cleaned up except a few shipments from Southern Oregon. On the early farmers' market prices ranged from $1.50 to $1.75.

Cherries were more plentiful and offered at $1.25 a box and 10 cents loose. About 11 cars of oranges were on the steamer, also several shipments of lemons and grapefruit. This is the last large orange shipment by boat this season. The orange market is firm at $2.75 to $2.25.

The first raspberries of the season arrived from California. There were 15 crates in the shipment and they sold at $2.50. One standard crate of cantaloupes and a few specials also arrived.

A car of new potatoes was received and sold out quickly at 3 cents. Other vegetable arrivals included a car of yellow Conchella onions and a car of mixed truck. The latter contained asparagus, which sold at $2.50 for pyramids and $1.75 for flats, new garlic at 25 cents and artichokes at 75 cents.

Sale of Yakima Hops.

With the sale of the Schweigler lot of 110 bales of Yakima hops yesterday only three lots, aggregating not over 500 bales, remain unsold in that section.

The only transaction reported in Oregon was the purchase by Kieber, Wolf & Netter of the Krause lot of 48 bales at Aurora.

A California wire announced the sale by Cunningham & Shay of 100 bales at Santa Rosa to Richardson at 15 cents.

Country Produce Arrivals Small.

Receipts of country produce of all kinds were light. Hens sold at 15@15½ cents and broilers at 25@26 cents. Old ducks could not be moved. Dressed meats were quoted at Saturday's prices.

There were no new developments in the dairy produce market.

The egg market was firm and unchanged, with the demand sufficient to take all the offerings.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$2,823,052	$209,933
Seattle	2,306,525	213,319
Tacoma	479,325	67,712
Spokane	857,921	106,395

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Club, 87@88c; bluestem, 90@91c; forty-fold, 88@89c; red Russian, 87@88c; valley, 88c.

MILLFEED—Bran, $23.50@24 per ton; shorts, $25.50@27; middlings, $32@33.

FLOUR — Patents, $4.80 per barrel; straights, $4.20; exports, $3.90; valley, $4.80; graham, $4.80; whole wheat, $5.

HAY—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, $18@17; mixed timothy, $14@15; valley grain hay, $12.50@14; alfalfa, $12@13.50.

BARLEY—Feed, $19.50@20 per ton; brewing, $21@22; rolled, $23.50@24.

OATS—No. 1 white milling, $22@22.50 per ton.

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

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navels, $2.75@3.25 per box; lemons, $3.75@4.50 per box; pineapples, 6c per pound; bananas, 4½c per pound; grapefruit, Florida, $4.75@5.75 per box.

VEGETABLES—Cucumbers, 75c@$2.00 per dozen; eggplant, 20c per pound; peppers, 20@30c per pound; radishes, 17½c per dozen; head lettuce, $2.25@2.50 per crate; artichokes, 75c per dozen; celery, $4@4.50 crate; tomatoes, $4.50@5 per crate; spinach, 6c per pound; horseradish, 8@10c; rhubarb, 1½@2c per pound; cabbage, 2@2½c per pound; asparagus, $1@1.50 per dozen; peas, 8@9c per pound; beans, 10@11c per pound.

GREEN FRUIT—Apples, $1@2.50 per box; strawberries, California, 75c@$1.25 per crate; Oregon, $1.25@2 per crate; cherries, $1.25 per box; gooseberries, 3½@6c per pound.

ONIONS—New, $2@2.25 per crate.

POTATOES—Oregon, $1 per hundred; buying prices, 60@70c at shipping points; new potatoes, $4.50@5 per hundred; new California, 5c per pound.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, new, $1.50; carrots, $1; parsnips, $1; beets, $1.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations:

EGGS—Fresh Oregon ranch, case count, 20½@21c; candled, 21½@22c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 13@15½c; broilers, 25@26c; turkeys, live, 20@22c; dressed, choice, 23@26c; ducks, 12c; geese, 10@11c.

CHEESE — Oregon, triplets, 16c; Young Americas, 17c.

BUTTER—Creamery prints, extra, 27½c per pound; cubes, 23½@24c.

PORK—Fancy, 10½@11c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 11½@12c 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, $3.50@3.75 per case.

NUTS — Walnuts, 14@20c per pound; Brazil nuts, 20c; filberts, 14@15c; almonds, 19@20c; peanuts, 6@6½c; cocoanuts, $1 per dozen; chestnuts, 8½@10c per pound; pecans, 14@15c.

BEANS—Small white, 6½c; large white, 4.85c; Lima, 7½c; pink, 5.15c; Mexican, 6¾c; bayou, 7¾c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 10@52c per pound.

SUGAR—Fruit and berry, $4.75; Honolulu plantation, $4.75; beet, $4.55; extra C, $4.75; powdered, in barrels, $5.

SALT—Granulated, $15.50 per ton; half-ground, 100s, $10.75 per ton; 50s, $11.50 per ton; dairy, $14 per ton.

RICE—No. 1 Japan, 4½@5c; Southern head, 6¾@7½c, island, 5@5½c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 10¾@11c per pound; apricots, 16½@20c; peaches, 8@11c; prunes, Italians, 8@10½c; currants, 9½c; raisins, loose Muscatel, 6¼@7½c; bleached Thompson, 11¾c; unbleached Sultana, 5¾c; seeded, 9c; dates, Persian, 7@7½c per pound; fard, $1.40 per box.

FIGS—Package, 8 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, 18½c@19½c; skinned, 18@20c; picnic, 13c.

BACON—Fancy, 27@28c; standard, 21½@24c.

DRY SALT CURED—Short clear backs, 13½@14½c; exports, 14@16c; plates, 11@13c.

LARD—Tierce basis. Pure, 12@13c; compound, 9¾c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1913 crop, prime and choice, 12@15c; 1914 contracts, 14@15c.

PELTS—Dry—10c, dry short wool, 7c; dry shearings, 10c; green shearings, 10c; salted sheep, 90c@$1; Spring lambs, 15@25c.

HIDES—Salted hides, 13c per pound; salt kip, 14c; salted calf, 16c; green hides, 12c; dry hides, 24c; dry calf, 26c; salted bulls, 9c per pound; green bulls, 8c.

WOOL—Valley, 18@20c; Eastern Oregon, 15@19c.

MOHAIR—1914 clip, 27½@28¾c per lb.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 5c per lb.

GRAIN BAGS—Calcutta, 8¾c.

FISH—Chinook salmon, 11@12c; buck shad, 3c; roe shad, 5c; perch, 7c; halibut, 4@4½c.

Oils.

KEROSENE—Water white, drums, barrels or tank wagon, 10c; special, drums or barrels, 13½c; cases, 17½@20½c.

GASOLINE—Bulk, 16c; cases, 22c; motor spirit, bulk, 16c; cases, 23c. Engine distillate, drums, 8c; cases, 15c; naptha, drums, 15c; cases, 22c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 61c; boiled, barrels, 63c; raw, cases, 66c; boiled, cases, 68c.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 65c per gallon; tanks, 58c.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

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

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—Fruit—Pineapples, $2.25@3; apples, Newton Pippins, $1@1.75; Hoover, $1.25@1.50; No. 3, 60c@$1; Mexican limes, nominal; California lemons, $1.75@4.

Potatoes—Delta whites, 40@80c; Oregon Burbanks, $1.10@1.30; sweets, $2.25@2.75; new, 1½@2½c.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, hothouse, $1.50@1.75; green peas, 3½@6c.

Eggs—Fancy ranch, 22½c; store, 21½c.

Onions—Bermudas, $2@2.25; Australian, $6@7.

Cheese—Young Americas, 15@15½c; new, 12@13½c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 24c; seconds, 22½c.

Receipts—Flour, 3925 quarters; barley, 17,390 centals; potatoes, 3585 sacks; hay, 602 tons.

Hops, Etc., at New York.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Hops, steady; state common to choice 1913, 34@40c; 1912, 15@18c; Pacific Coast 1913, 18@28c; 1912, 15@17c.

Hides, steady; Bogota, 29@30c; Central America, 28¾.

Wool, steady; domestic fleece XX Ohio, 27c.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Evaporated apples, quiet; fancy, 11@12c; choice, 10@10½c; prime, 9@9¾c.

Prunes, firm; Californias, 3¾@11½c; Oregons, 10@12c.

Peaches, firm; choice, 6¼@6¾c; extra choice, 6¾@7½c; fancy, 7@8c.

Hops at London.

LIVERPOOL, May 18.—Hops at London—Pacific Coast, £4@£5 5s.

YARD TRADE LIVELY

Active Market for All Classes of Livestock.

PRICES ARE MAINTAINED

Best Steers Bring $8 With Bulk of Sales at $7.45—Top Hog Quotation Holds at $8.25. Sheep in Demand.

The run at the stockyards yesterday was of good proportions, there was an active demand throughout the day, and business was well distributed in the various lines. Prevailing prices or all classes of stock were maintained.

About 32 full loads of steers were disposed of at prices ranging from $6@85 to $8. The bulk of sales were at $7.50 to $7.50. Butcher cattle were in small supply. Good cows brought $6.35 to $7 and bulls $5 to $5.50.

The swine market held its own fairly well, although receipts were heavy, amounting to about 24 cars. Twenty loads were sold at $8.25, the top price ruling at the close of last week, and a few bunches sold at $8.10 and $8.20.

There was more doing in the sheephouse than for some time past. Lambs moved at $6.50, yearlings at $4.50 to $6, ewes and wethers at $4.25 and mixed lots at $5.55 to $4.50.

Receipts were: 854 cattle, 65 calves, 2461 hogs and 1124 sheep.

Shippers were: With cattle—J. C. Bolter, Gateway, 4 cars; J. A. Guterion, Pendleton, 2 cars; D. F. Daniels, American Falls, 2 cars; Henry Gerzes, American Falls, 1 car; R. C. Milk, Meridan, 3 cars; Freemont Livestock Company, St. Anthony, 2 cars; W. B. Kurtz, St. Anthony, 2 cars; Joe Ranas, Echo, 1 car; Frank Correa, Echo, 3 cars; George Buchanan, Echo, 1 car; William Hanley, Juntura, 19 cars; H. Walker, Stanfield, 1 car.

With hogs—J. L. Baker, Caldwell, 1 car; G. B. Higginbotham, Echo, 1 car; Coles and Anderson, Haines, 1 car; Will Block, Independence, 1 car; Lee Richardson, 1 car; Grover Gros, Ontario, 1 car; J. B. Walter, Ontario, 4 cars; Cottonwood Milling Company, 5 cars; F. G. Tuning, Parma, 1 car; C. McCaw, Weiser, 1 car; W. S. Anderson, Weiser, 1 car; Sol Dickerson, Weiser, 1 car; J. A. Potter, Weiser, 1 car; J. W. Chandler, Wallowa, 1 car; Joe Hodson, Weston, 1 car; Elgin Forwarding Company, Wallowa, 1 car.

With sheep—Al Pankey, Roseburg, 1 car; A. E. Hardin, Goodnoe, 2 cars; Binia & Wash, Roosevelt, 1 car.

With mixed loads—O. E. Stevens, Heppner, 1 car hogs and sheep; Stewart & Burkhart, Payette, 2 cars cattle and hogs; C. McCaw, Weiser, 2 cars cattle and hogs; G. L. Huffman, Durkee, 1 car cattle and calves.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
25 steers	952	$6.85	92 hogs	188	$8.25
16 mixed	1083	6.50	4 hogs	347	7.25
24 steers	910	7.30	102 hogs	192	8.20
1 stag	1220	6.00	4 hogs	425	7.20
1 bull	2010	5.50	101 hogs	112	8.25
1 cow	1210	6.50	15 lambs	49	6.50
2 cows	1165	7.00	20 ewes	98	4.25
21 steers	1087	7.40	66 lambs	71	4.50
5 steers	952	7.00	23 ewes	99	4.25
21 steers	1052	7.50	102 hogs	187	8.25
1 steer	1700	7.00	90 m. sh'p	88	4.10
4 steer	1080	7.45	101 ewes	92	4.25
2 steers	1355	7.00	97 hogs	214	8.25
5 steers	1340	7.50	1 hog	450	7.25
5 steers	1252	7.50	100 hogs	192	8.25
2 steers	1245	7.00	4 hogs	225	7.25
25 steers	1212	7.40	89 hogs	155	8.25
10 cows	846	6.60	102 hogs	193	8.25
13 calves	353	6.60	94 hogs	158	8.20
1 bull	1480	5.00	4 hogs	310	7.20
25 steers	1182	7.25	1 hog	170	8.35
23 steers	1424	8.00	37 hogs	102	8.25
42 steers	1029	7.55	1 hog	320	7.25
10 cows	1068	6.35	1 hog	180	7.25
14 steers	1001	7.00	3 hogs	187	8.25
1 steer	1040	6.35	1 hog	330	7.35
45 steers	1390	7.40	3 hogs	362	7.20
40 sheep	133	4.50	93 hogs	172	8.20
1 hog	160	8.25	1 hog	180	7.00
15 hogs	215	7.60	87 hogs	167	8.20
90 hogs	171	8.23	91 hogs	190	8.25
95 hogs	158	8.25	1 hog	320	7.25
2 hogs	410	7.25	1 hog	310	7.25
93 hogs	210	8.23	70 hogs	154	8.10
2 hogs	355	7.25	94 hogs	156	8.25
89 hogs	158	8.25	90 hogs	219	8.25
2 hogs	375	7.25	1 hog	280	7.75
20 hogs	168	8.25	1 hog	360	7.25
81 hogs	175	8.20	237 y. sheep	88	6.00
10 hogs	120	7.65	198 wethers	88	6.00
2 hogs	375	7.20	1 hog	280	7.25
155 yearlgs	92	5.00	96 hogs	182	8.25
19 ewes	110	4.25	26 steers	1129	7.30
12 ewes	104	4.25	22 calves	230	6.00
50 sheep	94	3.55	2 cows	1075	6.00
4 steers	1118	7.25	1 cow	1140	6.00
21 steers	1183	7.50	1 bl steer	890	7.65
26 steers	1132	8.00	1 cow	1020	7.10
4 steers	1140	7.50	1 steer	700	6.50
21 steers	1199	7.75	1 steer	1210	6.75
15 steers	1189	7.65	14 steers	1050	7.60
19 steers	1118	7.45	14 steers	1033	7.60
26 steers	1111	7.70	23 steers	1044	7.50
2 cows	945	6.75	18 steers	963	7.60
1 cow	1100	4.50	21 steers	958	7.00
2 cows	880	5.75	1 steer	1180	7.00
5 cows	906	6.35	3 bulls	1357	5.75
5 hogs	202	8.00	1 bull	1600	5.75
1 hog	260	8.00	11 steers	1110	7.25
4 hogs	192	8.35	1 steer	1210	7.00
10 hogs	200	7.50	1 steer	1200	7.25
253 y sheep	90	6.00	22 steers	1106	7.45
99 hogs	198	8.25	23 steers	1134	7.45
2 hogs	250	7.25	23 steers	1118	7.45
99 hogs	188	8.25	23 steers	1147	7.45
3 hogs	497	7.25	23 steers	1063	7.45
94 hogs	199	8.25	23 steers	1133	7.45
2 hogs	390	7.25	23 steers	1146	7.45
65 hogs	192	8.25	23 steers	1178	7.45
5 hogs	304	7.20	23 steers	1108	7.45

Current local quotations on the various classes of livestock follow:

Prime steers	$7.75@$8.00
Choice steers	7.25@ 7.50
Medium steers	6.00@ 7.25
Choice cows	6.50@ 7.00
Medium cows	6.00@ 6.25
Heifers	6.00@ 7.25
Light calves	8.00@ 8.50
Heavy calves	6.00@ 7.50
Bulls	5.00@ 6.25
Stags	6.00@ 7.50
Hogs—	
Light	7.50@ 8.25
Heavy	6.50@ 7.25
Sheep—	
Wethers	4.25@ 5.25
Ewes	3.50@ 4.25
Yearling lambs	5.00@ 6.25
Spring lambs	6.50@ 7.25

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, May 18.—Hogs—Receipts, 30,000; market, steady to 5c higher. Bulk of sales, $8.50@8.55; light, $8.35@8.60; mixed, $8.30@8.57½; heavy, $8.10@8.55; rough, $8.10@8.25; pigs, $7.50@8.45.

Cattle—Receipts, 21,000; market, steady to 10c lower. Beeves, $7.35@9.30; steers, $7.10@8.20; stockers and feeders, $6.40@8.50; cows and heifers, $3.65@8.65; calves, $7.50@10.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; market, slow. Sheep, $5.35@6.20; yearlings, $6@7.25; lambs, $6.25@8.45; Springs, $6.50@9.75.

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Neb., May 18.—Hogs—Receipts, 5400; market, steady. Heavy, $8.27½@8.35; light, $8.20@8.30; pigs, $7.50@8.10; bulk of sales, $8.27½@8.30.

Cattle—Receipts, 2300; market, steady. Native steers, $7.50@8.85; cows and heifers, $6.50@8.30; Western steers, $6.50@8.50; Texas steers, $6@7.75; cows and heifers, $6@7.50; calves, $8@11.

Sheep—Receipts, 2800; market, higher. Yearlings, $6.75@7.25; wethers, $5.60@6; lambs, $8.20@9.20.

STOCK INQUIRY BROAD

MARKET ADVANCES WELL ABOVE LAST WEEK'S LEVEL.

Firm Tone of Foreign Exchanges Has Effect on Wall Street Prices. Bonds Irregular.

NEW YORK, May 18.—There was a broad inquiry for stocks today and the market advanced materially above the level reached on last week's rise.

The firm tone of the foreign market also was a favoring influence.

The unexpectedly poor bank statement of Saturday had some effect on the money market. Rates for short-term loans were higher and mercantile discounts also were on a firmer basis.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $1,890,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

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	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Allis Chalmers	.....	.....	.....	.....
Amalg Copper	16,400	72¾	72⅛	72⅞
Am Beet Sugar	800	32	32	32¾
Am Can Co	1,200	28⅝	28¼	28
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	90½
Am Car & F Co	600	51¼	50¾	50¾
Am Cotton Oil	200	42¾	42½	42½
Am Sm & R Co	2,700	64⅞	64¼	64½
do pfd	500	100½	100½	100½
Am Sugar	400	106¾	106¼	106
do pfd	100	112¾	112¾	112¾
Am T & T Co	300	122¾	122½	122½
Am Tobacco	.....	.....	.....	225
Anaconda	1,200	32¾	32½	32½
At Coast Line	200	123½	123½	123
A T & Santa Fe	1,800	96⅞	96½	96⅞
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	100¾
Balt & Ohio	600	92¾	92	92
Brkn Rapid Tr	1,900	92⅞	92¾	92
Can Pacific Com	10,000	195½	193¾	194⅝
C & O	3,100	53	50¾	50¾
C & G W	1,800	14½	13⅞	14½
C & N W	.....	.....	.....	132¾
C M & St P	3,500	101⅜	100½	101
Cen Leather	3,000	36¾	36	35⅞
Cen of N J	.....	.....	.....	300
Chino	1,700	42¼	41¾	42
Col Fuel & Iron	100	28	28	28
Col Southern	.....	.....	.....	22½
Con Gas	800	130¾	129½	129½
D & R G	.....	.....	.....	11
Dis Securities	.....	.....	.....	15
Erie	3,700	29½	29	29¼
do 1st pfd	300	44¾	44½	44½
Gen Electric	500	148¼	147¾	148
Gt Nor Ore	400	33½	33	33¼
Gt North pfd	1,400	125¼	124¾	124⅞
Illinois Cen	.....	.....	.....	111
Inter-Metro	200	14¾	14¾	14¾
do pfd	300	63	62½	62½
Inter Harv	300	108¾	108	108¾
Kan City So	800	27¾	27	27¼
Lehigh Valley	2,000	140¼	139½	139⅞
Louis & Nash	.....	.....	.....	137
Mexican Cen	200	10¼	10¼	10½
M St P & S S M	200	126	125½	125
Mo Kan & Texas	100	17¾	17¾	17¾
Mo Pacific	5,200	19¼	18¾	18¾
National Lead	.....	.....	.....	44
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	108½
National Biscuit	.....	.....	.....	122½
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	122½
New Haven	1,300	69½	68	68½
N Y Central	3,700	94¼	93½	94
N Y Ont & W	.....	.....	.....	29½
Nor & West	100	104¾	104¾	104½
Nor Pacific	2,000	112	111½	111¾
Pacific T & T	200	28	28	28
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	87
Penn R R Co	1,900	112	111¾	111⅞
Peoples Gas	.....	.....	.....	121
Reading	23,500	166¾	165½	165⅝
do 1st pfd	.....	.....	.....	88
Repub S & I	1,000	24	23¾	23¾
Rock Island Co	.....	.....	.....	3¾
So Pac Com	9,900	93⅞	93¼	93⅜
So Railway	2,800	25⅞	25	25⅜
Texas Oil	1,000	141	139	139
Union Pacific	23,000	158¼	157½	157⅝
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	83¾
Unld Rds of S F	.....	.....	.....	15
U S Steel Cor	67,100	63⅛	71⅞	62⅞
do pfd	300	110	109¾	109¾
Utah Copper	500	58¾	57¾	57¾
Wabash	400	1¼	1	1
West Un Tel	600	62½	51¾	62½
W'house Elec	8,200	76⅞	75	76⅛
Wis Cen	.....	.....	.....	42

Total shares, 264,400.

BONDS.

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

	Bid.	Asked.
Atch Gen 4s	95⅞	96¼
Atl Coast Line, 1st 4s	94	94⅞
B & O Gold 4s	94¼	94½
B R T 4s	90⅞	91½
Ches & O 4½s	93	93½
C M & St P Gen 4½s	103	103½
C R I Col 4s	94½	95
Cal Gas 5s	92⅞	93¼
C B Q Joint 4s	97¼	97⅞
Erie Gen 4s	73⅞	75
Int Met 4½s	77½	77¾
Louisville & Nash Un 4s	95¼	95½
Missouri Pac 4s	55	56⅛
N Y C Gen 3½s	83¼	84
Northern Pac 4s	94¾	95¼
Oregon Short Line Ref 4s	99⅞	92
Pac Tel 5s	97¾	97⅞
Penna Con 4s	101½	102
Reading Gen 4s	95	95¼
St L & San Fran Ref 4s	76	79½
So P Ref 4s	92½	92¾
S P Col 4s	90½	91
So Ry 5s	109¾	109¾
So Ry 4s	73⅞	73¾
Un Ry Inv 4s	56	57½
Un Pac 1st and Ref 4s	94¼	94½
U S Steel 5s	102⅞	103
West Shore 4s	93	94
Wabash 4s	52	52¾
W'house Elec cv 5s	94½	94¾
Wisconsin Central 4s	88	88¾
United States 2s registered	96½	97½
do coupon	96¾	98
United States 3s registered	101	102
do coupon	102⅞	103
United States 4s registered	109	110½
do coupon	109½	.....

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Mercantile paper, 3¾@4; sterling exchange firm. Sixty days, $4.8550; demand, $4.8830; comercial bills, $4.85.

Bar silver 58½c.

Mexican dollars, 45¾c.

Government bonds steady; railroad bonds, irregular.

Call money steady, 1⅞@2; ruling rate, 1¾; closing, 1¾@2.

Time loans, strong; 60 days, 2⅛@2¾; 90 days, 2¾@3; six months, 3@3¼.

LONDON, May 18.—Bar silver, steady, 26¾; money, 2½ per cent; rate of discount in open market for short bills, 2 15-16@3 per cent; do, three months' bills, 2 15-16 per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—Silver bars, 58½c. Mexican dollars, 45c; drafts, sight par; do telegraph, 2. Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.85½; do sight, $4.88¾.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The condition of the United States Treasury at the beginning of business today was:

Net balance in general fund	$71,900,376
Total receipts Saturday	2,859,333
Total payments Saturday	3,404,098

The deficit this fiscal year is $40,991,594, against a surplus of $3,407,659 last year, exclusive of Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, May 18.—Linseed, $1.56¾; May, $1.56¼; July, $1.57¾.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., May 18. — Butter — Steady, 25½c.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, May 18.—Maximum temperature, 70 degrees; minimum, 44 degrees. River reading, S A. M., 18.0 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.5 foot rise.