# HOP FUTURE IS HAZY ago; 42s to 46s, according to age, is the same. Bank Clearings.

Course of 1915 Market Cannot Be Figured Out.

#### MANY UNCERTAIN FACTORS

European War Is Chief Cause of Present Unsatisfactory Conditions-Domestic Trade Is Affected by Dry Laws.

Whether new-crop hops will sell at record prices this year or whether they will not what it costs to grow them are questions hopines would like to answer but cannot. There are so many uncertain con ous confronting the trade that it would be hazardous to make a guess as to the Circumstauces probable course of prices.

it is not beyond the range of possibility in these war times for events to occur beprices on a higher plane than known in werer, that all the signs at present other to a diminished rather than an enberned use of new Pacific hops.

likely to be reduced without any correng decline in output. Dry territory is steadily growing and the effect of prohibition laws is already seen in the efforts of browers in some of the states to disone of their reserve supply of hops. In the meantime American growers are pre-paring to harvest a big crop, and if weather conditions are right the yield may be a

conditions are right the yield may be bumper one.

England was a heavy buyer of American hops up to the time the submarine blockade became effective. England grew a very large crop tast year and these extensive American purchases were undoubtedly made for the purpose of piling up a reserve supply, all of which may have an unfavorable influence on the coming market.

On the other hand a revival of prespectly in the United States will greatly slimulate the brewing trade in sections not affected by dry laws, and it is the wei states that have been the largest consumers. More prospectus times would also mean more speculation and higher prices of hops. There are also the crop uncertainties to be reckoned with.

The greatest present factor in the her The greatest present factor in the hep business, as in every other business, is, of course, the European war. On its continuance or essation will depend in large measure the course of 1915 hop prices. The market during the past eight mentis has been an unsatisfactor; one to growers and dealers althe, and it reafs to say that if pence is brought about hop trade prospects

#### TONNAGE LACK CHECKS WHEAT TRADE Moderate Business on Exchange, With Bids Better Than Monday's.

Better Than Monday's.

The local wheat market minds a better appearance yesterday, but saids from some demand for milling grades there was not much disposition to transact business. The tenage situation is the feature that is blocking trade and until there is some relief in this direction the market is likely to be a dranging one. ants' Exchange sales yesterday were

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#### SHEEP SHEARING IN MALHEUR COUNTY Camp Near Ontario Is Now Working on Wool buyers are preparing to operate it

Wool buyers are preparing to operate in the Custario district, according to the Matheur Democrat, which says:

"(in Tuesday there were two wool buyers here in the interest of Epston houses looking for wool. J. M. Johnson, of Howell, Jones & Donald, and C. L. Moody, of Elsewan Epsthers, were here and went out to man Brothers, were here and went out to the futterfield ranch to look at the word now being shorn by Anderson & Gwinn. We are unable to learn of any offers under but assured that no sale was agreed bils trip. The Anderson & Gwinn people are now shearing some 10,000 ewes at their place known as the Butterfield ranch, 12

The ewes all have lambs and after shearing will be sent directly to the range and the lambs will be intiened for the July mar-ket and shipped East at that time.

#### SMALL VEGETABLES IN GOOD DEMAND Fresh Supply Is Brought on Rose City-Few

Oranges on Steamer. Small vegetables of all kinds were closely ceaned up yesterday. Asparagus was firmer at 100/10% cents. The Rose City brought a fresh supply, also a quantity of California rhubarb. Not much more of the latter artiat leading cents. The Rose City brought a freel supply, also a quantity of California rinhard. Not, much more of the latter article will be brought up from the South as local rhubarts is now becoming plentful. The car of Florith towardoes received Monday was cleaned up resterday. The next car of Florith towardoes received Monday was cleaned up resterday. The next car of head intrue was received from california. Chily three cars of canges were on restered to the control of the varieties, 50 c. The control of the varieties, 50 c.

#### down their steamer orders materially. No Orders for Spot Hops.

Hop dealers tack orders for spot goods and prices are abelig nominal. Contract buying his also ceased at all points on the Coast for the time below. Court for the lime count.

According to statistics compiled by the Department of Commerce, the exports of comestic hope from the United States during the five months ended January 21, 1915, were

8.450,900 pounds, of which 6.000,404 pounds were exported from the Port of New York. Local Egg Market Is Firm.

The egg market was firm with sales at in to 19% cents, case count. Most of the buying by local speculators was at the first Poultry receipts were light and chickens

were in strong demand. Large bens sold at 154,916 cents and ordinary bens at 15 to 154; cents. Dressed meats were steady. No charge was reported in the dairy prod-

Cascara Market in London. Mail advices from a well-known London house said of cascara bark: "Our New York friends write saying that the Pacific Coast is clear of stock and supplies are New York Sugar Market.

The keenings of birds in hunting out Helfurs bad aready moved. Stocks here are not very large, at least half the quantity of a year large, at least half the quantity of a year.

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS Gruin, Flour, Feed, Etc.

|   | Merchants Exchange,        | Troops -    |         |
|---|----------------------------|-------------|---------|
| į | Prompt delivery:           | Bld.        | Ank     |
|   | Wheat—                     | \$ 1.22     | \$ 1,35 |
|   | Fortyfold                  | 7.340       | 1.35    |
|   | o'The la                   | 1.28        | 1.32    |
|   | Red Russian                | 1.92        | 1.25    |
|   | Red fife                   | 1.23        | 1.30    |
|   | Chin Str.                  |             |         |
| 1 | No. I white feed           | 32.50       | 33,00   |
|   |                            |             |         |
|   | No. 1 feed                 | 24.25       | 25,50   |
| ١ | Bran                       | 20.50       | 25,00   |
| ı | Shorts                     | 23.50       | 27.00   |
| ı | Futures-                   |             |         |
| 1 | April bluestern            | 1.35        | 1.36    |
| ı | May bhlostom               | 1.37%       | 1.35    |
| i | Ameil fortufold            | THE         | 1.35    |
| ı | May tarretald              | Labor Ste   | 1,37    |
| ı | Ameil whith                | 1.01        | 3.34    |
| ı | African milesto            | 1.014       | 1,37    |
| ı |                            |             | 1,28    |
|   | May red Busslan            |             | 1,29 %  |
| 1 | April red fife             | n 1.00      | 1.301   |
|   | May red fife               | 1630        | 1,83    |
| ı | April oats                 | CV Shareton | 00,555  |
|   | May onte                   | 30,50       | 84.00   |
| i | April feed barley          | 25,00       | 25,00   |
| ١ | May food barley            | 25,00       | 27.00   |
|   | April benn                 | 22,00       | 25.00   |
|   | May bran                   | 2011        | 25.50   |
|   | PLOUR Patents, \$7 :       | a barret; e |         |
|   | \$6.50 whole wheat, \$7.29 | 0: grahams  | 2 day   |

MILLFEED-Spot prices: Bran, \$26.50 ton; shorts, \$28.50; rolled barley, \$31 sobable course of prices. Corner to per ton; shorts, each ton; shorts, each ton; cracked, \$36 corn.—Whole, \$35 per ton; cracked, \$36 per ton.

HAY-Eastern Oregon timothy, \$14@18;
valley timothy, \$12@12.50; grain hay, \$10@
12; alfalfa, \$12.50@13.50.

Local jobbing quotations: TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navcis

TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navels, \$2@2.00 per box; lemoss, \$3@3.75 per box; bananax, \$45c per hound; grapefruit, \$3@4.75; pineapples, 6c per pound; tangerines, \$1.25@1.75 per box; blood oranges, \$1.26@per box.

VEGETABLES — Cocumbers, hothouse, \$1.50 per dosen; perpars, 30@37c per pound; inrichokes, 75c per dosen; tounates, \$5 per crate; cabbage, \$1½@2½c per pound; celery, \$4.50 per crate; cantificower, \$2 per crate; specials, \$60c per pound; head lettuce, \$2.25 per crate; hothouse lettuce, 75c per box; apinach, 60@75c per box; rhubarh, \$2.25 per box, separagus, 10@12½c per pound; oranges, 200 per pound; peus, 15c per pound; oranges, 200 per pound; peus, 15c per peus, 15c peus,

per pound: oggplant, soc per pound; lie per pound:
GREEN FRUITS—Apples, 50c@\$1.50 per box; evanberties, \$11.912 per barrel.
POTATOES—Oregon, \$18.125 per sack; Yakima, \$1.91.25; new potatoes, 10c per pound, sweet potatoes, 52c per pound.
ONIONS—Oregon, selling price, \$4 per sack; country points.
SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, \$1.25 per sack; betts, \$1.50 per sack; parsnips, \$1.25 per sack; furnips, \$1.75 per sack.

#### Dairy and Country Produce.

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Local jobbing quotations:

EGGS-Fresh Oregon ranch, case count,

198-19ther candled, 20e per dozen.

POULTRY-Hens, large, 15% 916c; hens,
ordinary, 158-15%; broilers, 15% 20c; turkeys, dressed, 20c; live, 15c; ducks, 12#15c;

Seese, 28:10c

BUTTER-Creamery, prints, extras, 20 hc
per pound in case lots; bc mora in less
than case lots; cubes 25c.
CHEESE-Oregon triplets, jobbers buying
price- 15c per pound, f. o. b. dock, Portland; young Americas, 15c per pound.

YEAL-Fancy, 11% 8:12c per pound.

PORK-Block, 10#10%; per pound.

Staple Greceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SALMON — Columbia River one-pound tails, \$2.50 per dozen; half-pound flats, \$1.50; one-pound flats, \$2.50; Alaska pink, one-pound tails, \$1.55.

HONEY—Choice, \$8.25 per case.

NUTS—Wainuts, 15@25e; almonda, 25 grace; peanuts, 6%c; coccanuts, \$1 per dozen; peanus, 19%20c; cheatnuts, toc.

BEANS—Small whita, 6%c; large white, bayon, 6%c.

DECANS—Small whita, 6%c; large white, bayon, 6%c.

SUGAR — Fruit and berry, \$6.45; beet, \$6.25; extra C, \$5.85; powdered, in barrels, \$6.70; cubes, barrels, \$6.85.

SALT—Granulsted, \$15.50 per ton; half ground, 160s, \$10.75 per ton; 50s, \$11.50 per ton; dairy, \$14 per ton.

BILE Southern head, 6% \$6%c; broken, to per pound; Japan style, \$55%c.

DRHD FRUITS — Apples, Sc per pound; apricots, 13/15c; peaches, 8c; prunes, Italians, 8% 95c; raisins, loose Mucasticis, 8c; unbleached Sultanas, 7%c, seeded, 8%9c; dates, Persian, 10c per pound; tard, \$1.65 per box; currants, 8% 912c.

pound.

PELTS—Dry long-wooled pelts, 15c; dry short-wooled pelts, 12c; dry shearings, each, 10c; saited shearings, each, 150g/26c; dry goats, long hafr, each, 13c; dry goat shearings, each, 1042 each, 10420c; saited sheep pelts, March, \$102 each.

Provisions.

HAMS—All sizes, 17½ © 15½c; skinned, 17 g18c; plenic, 12c; cottage roll, 12½c; profiled, 19 w 28c.

BACON—Finey, 17 w 28c; standard, 23 w 24c; choice, 17% g 22c; strips, 17½c.

DRY SALT—Short clear backs, 13 w 16; caports, 15 g 17c; plates, 11½ g 18c.

LAND—Tierce basis: Kettle rendered, 12½c; standard, 12c; compound, 8½c.

BARHEL, GOODS—Ness beef, \$23; plate beef, \$24.30; brisket pork, \$28.50, pickled play feat, \$12.30; ripe, \$9.30 g 11.60; tongues, \$25.30.

MEROSENE—Water white, drums, barrels or tank wagons, 10c; special drums or barrels, 13 to; cases, 17th \$20 to.

GASOLINE—Bulk, 17c; cases, 19t; engine distillate, drums, 7 to; cases, 14th;; napths, drums, 11c; cases, 18t.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 75c; raw, cases, 80c; boiled, barrels, 77c; boiled, cases, 82c.

TURPENTINE—In tanks, 60c; in cases, 67c; 10-case lots, 1c less.

## SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

Prices Current in Bay City on Fruit, Vege-tables, Eic.

180 10 %c.

Very few offers were reported in the cost and freight market and prices were said to be about unchanged.

Rie exchange was %d higher, while milrols prices were unchanged.

Strongest Stock Market Session of Year to Date.

ADVANCES ARE GENERAL

steel Leads List in Activity With Wide Gain-Over 600,000 Shares Change Hands--Railroad Earnings Show Improvement.

NEW TORK, March 13.—The strongest, readest and most active market session of he year to date was winessed today, dealings being on the basis of considerably more han 100,000 agares for each of the five fours.

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Transcontinentale grangers and trunk luss recorded gains of 1 to 2½ points, and Reading made full recovery from its acute weakness of the last week.

Coppers stood out in the industrial division, Annalgamated gaining 2½ points in connection with the advance in the refined metal to 15½ cents. United Status Steel led the entire list in respect to activity, gaining 2½ points on numerous individual transactions, some of which aggregated 3500 or more shares, and various other industrials rose proportionately.

Bethichem Steel's course plainty delived an accession of selling for profits. The stock immic an initial rise to 75, a new bight record, but soon resimplished all its advantage and chosed at 65%, a net loss of 2½ points and chosed at 65%, a net loss of 2½ points and chosed at 65%, a net loss of 2½ points and chose of the placing of additional foreign credits at this center and renewed weekness in British and French exchange. Signs of a growing demand for Americans were seen in the London market, which was firm in inout branches. For February showed a net gain of \$122,000 and minor roads also reported improvement. Total sales par value \$2.516,000. United States bonds were steady but the movement in that quarter was more restrained. Total sales par value \$2.516,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

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| Alaska Gold . 8,000 Amal Copper . 31,000 Am Beet Sugar . 7,286 American Can . 12,000 Am Smel & Ref . 4,500 do preferred . 200 Am Sugar Ref . 900 Am C & Tel . 1,899   | 103%       | Low.<br>34%<br>57%<br>44<br>20%<br>66<br>103<br>103<br>120% | 211 |
| Am Tobacco Anaconda Min. 8,500 Atchisen 8,200 Bair & Ghio 5,000 Brook R Tran 2,200 Cai Petroleum 1,600 Canndian Fac 5,100 Central Leather 10,200 Ches & Ohio 1,600 Chi Gi West. C. M & St Paul Chicago & N W. S00 | 25%<br>97% | 27 %<br>167 %   |     |
| C. M & St Paul  | 27%        | 124%<br>26%<br>25%  |     |
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DRIED FRUITS — Apples, Sc per pound; 21 periods, 18/15c; peacles, Sc; prunes, Italians, Super raisins, loose Muncatins, Sc; unjeached Sultains, 72c, seeded, Super dars,
Persian, 10c per pound; fard, \$1.65 per box;
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## Money, Exchange, Etc.

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NEW YORK, March 72.—Mercantile paper, 75 per cent. Sterling exchange steady at decline; 60-day bills, \$4.75; for cables, \$4.785; for demand, \$4.785.

Har eliver—50%c.

Mexican dollars, 354c. Har sliver—50%c. Mexican dollars, 35%c. Government bonds steady; rallroad bonds

firm. Time loans easy: 60 days, 25 per cent; 50 days, 24 per cent; six months, 24214 per cent. Call money steady: bigh, 2 per cent; low, 14 per cent; ruling rate, 2 per cent; last loan, 2 per cent; clowing bid, 14 per cent; offered at 2 per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—Sterling-50 days, \$4.76%; demand, \$4.78%; cable 54.79.

LONDON, March 22. - Bar silver-\$13-18d per ounce.
Money—1 per cent.
Discount rates—Short bills and three cents, 2@2% per cent.

Lendon Woot Sales.

LONDON, March 23.—A better selection mounting to \$500 bales, brought out active competition at the wool auction sales of any. Prices were firmer, fine crossbreds uling 75 and coarse and medium 10 and consionally 12½ per cent higher. Amerians paid 2s 55d for the best grades of course metinos.

Duluth Linseed Market. DULUTH, Minn., March 23.—Linseed Cash, \$1.92; May, \$1.93; July, \$1.95. NEW YORK, March 23.—Heps quiet.

# OFFERINGS ARE LIGHT

SMALL RUN FOR DAY AT NORTH PORTLAND VARDS.

Cattle Sell Within Former Range o Quotations-Sheep Market Is

The livertock market was left in good condition after the vig day's business on Monday, but there was not much in the way of offerings reskerday. Only eight loads were received, including five leads of California cattle, and these were not differed for saie. The limited business was done for the most part within the previous day's range. A load of good steers was sold at \$7.50 and a few odd lots or cattle at the old prices. This best price paid during the day for logs was \$7.10, and only a few lambs brought Monday's extreme quotation of \$8.

Receipts were 175 cattle, 45 hogs and tive sheep. Shippers wire: With cattle, C. O. Poole, Gazelia, Cal., 2 cars; J. E. Cooley, Montague, Cal., 3 cars; E. M. Stevens, Shaniko, 1 car, George Farmpen, Shaniko, 1 car, with mixed load, M. L. Forester, Tangat, I car cattle, hogs and sheep.

The day's sales were as follows:

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| The day's sales ner  | re as follows:             |
| Wet. Pr.   | Wat. Pr.                   |
| 10gs 180 \$7,40  | 18 steers 1250 \$7.50      |
| logs 116 6.75  | 1 steer 780 6.20           |
| tors 223 7.40  | 2 steers 720 6.50          |
| ogs 160 T.40   | 2 bulls 1950 6.00          |
| togs 110 6.75  | 20 hogs 241 7.46           |
| ambs 112 8.50  | 4 lambs 115 2:00           |
| mixed . 150 6.00   | 1 ewe 140 6.50             |
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Omaha Livestock Market.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb. March 22.—HogsBecelpts, 10,500 head; lower; heavy, 25,500
6.70; lights, 26,550 d.55; head; market strong; nutive steem, 86,250 8,25; cowe and heiters, \$5,877. Western steem, \$4,757; Texas steem; \$5,800,700; cove and heiters, \$5,800,700; cove and heiters, \$5,800,700; cove and heiters, \$4,750; 6,40; calves, \$7,500,000; head; market steady, yearlings, \$8,5000; wethers, \$7,500; \$1, lambs, \$2,90,80.

Chicago Livestock Market.

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CHICAGO, March 23.—Hors—Receipts, 19,000 head; market slow, 5c under yesterday's average, \$6.70 ge.80. Hight, \$6.50 ge.82%; mixed, \$6.50 ge.80. Hight, \$6.50 ge.82%; rough, \$6.30 ge.83; heavy, \$6.30 ge.82 h; rough, \$6.30 ge.83; heavy, \$6.30 ge.82 h; rough, \$6.30 ge.83; heavy, \$6.30 ge.82 h; rough, \$6.30 ge.83; heavy, \$6.30 ge.83; higher Hereipts, \$6.80 ge.87. Western sieers, \$5.25 ge.740; cows and heifers, \$10.77. calves, \$7.910.50.
Sheep—Receipts, 14.000 head; market slow; sheep, \$7.10 ge.15; yeerlings, \$7.80 ge.15; lumbs, \$7.00 ge.00.

Metal Market NEW YORK, March 22.—Tin nominal; u-ton lots offered at 52c.
Copper firm, Electrolytic 15,27 # 15,55c; asing nominal at 14,50 # 10,00c.
Iron steady and unchanged. Lead Steady 1,00 # 1,75c.
Spetim nominal.

Americans Advance at London. LONDON, Much 22.—American securities on the stock market today were more active Amalgamated Copper, Eric and Cafadias Pacific led a general advance, and the gain were maintained throughout the session The closing was steady.

Chicago Dairy Produce.
CHICAGO, March 25.—Butter unchanged
Engs lower; receipts 11,099 cases; as
mark, cases included, 178,18,16; ordinary
firsts, 174,0172c; firsts, 184,0185c. Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Evaporated apples quiet, printed dult and casy; peaches quite and steady. Cotton Market. NEW YORK, March 22.—Spot cotton ulet, Middling uplands, \$9,30c. Sales, 126

CALVES SHORT IN KLAMATH Bay City Man Offers to Deliver Good Stock at \$6.75.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 23 .-(Special.)-Klamath County farmers are in need of more cattle than they can produce. They have asked the can produce. They have asked the Chamber of Commerce to take up the matter for them, and, as a result, Secretary Fleet is in receipt of a proposition from W. C. Trombley, of Bay City, Or., to deliver 100 head of blooded calves, half of the lot to be helfers, in Klamath Falls for \$6.75 a head.

Shipments will be made by express at Shipments will be made by express at the rate of about 10 head a day. The cattle are Durham, Holstein, Red Poil, Guernseys and the crosses of these strains, Local farmers and dairymen contemplate placing an order for 100 head.

#### BIDS ON BONDS ARE FEW Oregon City Men Allege Portland

Firms Are to Blame.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 23.—(Special.)—Sweet, Causey, Foster & Co., a Denver banking firm, submitted the highest bid, 95.58 cents on the dollar, today for the \$275,000 bond issue for the construction of the South Fork pipe line. Other bids were: Morris Bros., of Portland, 91.03, and the Lumbermen's Trust Company, of Portland, 95.07.

Members of the South Fork commission will meet on or before Wednesday and decide whether or not to accept any of the offers received or to readvertise. Members of the commission charge that the activity of Portland firms is responsible for the lack of Eastern bids. They expressed resret that so few bids were received.

## MORE ALFALFA IS SOWN

Amount of Improvement Near Hermiston Shows Big Increase.

HERMISTON, Or., March 23 .- (Spe-HERMISTON, Or. March 23.—(Spe-cial.)—Beginning early last Fall there was a noticeable increase in the amount of improvement work under-taken. The work continued all Winter and much is still under way. Some of the land cleared and leveled will be seeded to alfalfa this Spring and in some cases the owner will seed to rye only, leaving the alfalfa until next Fall or Spring. Fall or Spring.

New acreage cleared beginning last Fall and still being done and which will be seeded to alfalfa within a year will total approximately 3000 acres. This land is in tracts varying from one to 400 acres.

#### COOLING PLANT IS STARTED Puyallup Process Expected to Be Used Extensively.

PUYALLUP, Wash., March 23 .- (Spe-PUYALLUP, Wash, March 23.—(Special.)—The Puyaliup Ice, Cold Storage & Pre-Cooling plant began its season's run today on full time. Its ice-making capacity is 15 tons a day. The pre-cooling department is the only one on the Pacific Coast, and is one of the best to the United States. The direct ex-

in the United States. The direct expansion system is used.

Berries from the Puyallup Valley and the Bay Island country will be augmented this year by those from the Centralia and Chehalis territory for prescalesest before Festers, chimman, said. coolment before Eastern shipment, said Manager Blodgett. Last year 320 cars were pre-cooled, and at least 100 more cars are expected this year.

## MILL FIRE LOSS IS \$35,000

Blaze at Bray, Cal., Thought to Have Been of Incendiary Origin.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 23.— (Special)—Fire believed to be of in-cendiary origin Monday night destroyed the box factory of the Orr Lake Lumber Company at Bray, Cal. The plant was a total loss. The damage is estimated at about \$15,000 and is covered fully, by insurance. The yards and shookhouses were not damaged. The blaze started at the end of the plant opposite the engineroom and plant opposite the engineroom and bollerhouse.

## NEW MILK PLANT BEGUN

Pasteurizing Concern at Centralia to Be Ready May 1, It Is Said.

CENTRALIA, Wash., March 23,-(Spe-

## Mill at Dryad in Operation.

CENTRALIA, Wash, March 23.— (Special)—The new shingle mill just completed at Dryad by the Bunker Shingle Company has started opera-3.00 # 6.25 tions. 3.00 # 6.25 payroll. shipped.

Pest Reported to Menace More Places Than Usual.

WHEAT ADVANCE IS RESULT

Export Demand Revives and Seaboard Sales Are Estimated at 1.000.000 Bushels-European Visible Supply Increases.

CHICATO, March 25, — Reports of wide-spread danger from Hessian fig made wheat run up in price teday, nowithstanding a tumble at the start. The market closed strong, 25e to 3% c above last night. Other leading staples too, all scored a net gain—corn %c to %c, cants 4c to %c, and provisions 5c to 12½c.

\*Export demand, which of late has seemed on the wane, revived today when the wheat market began to bulge. Wheat cased off at the opening in sympathy with lower cable quotations and because of fine weather likely to promote the growth of the domestic Winter cop. An increase in the European visible supply counted against the bulls and so also did the lack of any urgency about export demand. On the decline, there was some buying on resting orders. The market underwent a moderate general setback and then regained most of the lose. Reports that Hessian fly had become a menace in many more places than usual tended afterward to bring about a sharp advance. Besides, it was said the seaboard would reach 1,000,000 bushels.

Corn swayed with wheat. Trade was almost wholly of a local character.

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Outs munifested firmness throughout the lay. There were signs of an active cush femand from the scaloard.

Provisions rallied on account of covering by shorts. At first, however, the market was depressed owing to a sag in the price of hors. Leading futures ranged as follows:

| - | May<br>July<br>Sept. |            | \$1,51%<br>1.20%<br>1.08% | High.<br>\$1.53%<br>1.28%<br>1.11 | 1.19%<br>1.19%<br>1.08 | \$1.55 \<br>1.25 \<br>1.10 \ |  |
|---|----------------------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| ı | 100000               |            |                           | COLETA                            |                        |                              |  |
| 1 | May<br>July          |            | 70%<br>75.99              | .78%                              | 72%                    | 765                          |  |
| i |                      |            |                           | OATE.                             |                        |                              |  |
|   | May<br>July<br>Sept. |            | .50%<br>.54%<br>.46%      | .547k                             | 58%<br>51%<br>46%      | .503<br>.543<br>.465         |  |
| 1 | 210                  | MESS PORK. |                           |                                   |                        |                              |  |
| 1 | May                  |            | 17.26<br>17.80            | 17:42                             | 17.22<br>17.68         | 17.42                        |  |
| Ì | INTAME.              |            |                           | LARD.                             |                        |                              |  |
|   | May                  | 15.00      | 10.15                     | 10.25                             | 10.15                  | 10.50                        |  |
|   |                      |            | SHO                       | RT RIB                            | S.                     |                              |  |
|   | May                  |            | 0.50                      | 10.0 0                            | 9.90<br>10.35          | 10.00                        |  |
|   | W                    | reat-N     | es were                   | ed, \$1.53                        | 24 91.56;              | No.                          |  |
| 1 | 69 %                 | rn-No.     | No. 4 W                   | liow, 74c                         | : No. 4                | yellow                       |  |
|   |                      |            |                           |                                   | -                      |                              |  |

Rye—Nominal.

Barley—74@\$50.
Timothy—44.50@6.50.
Clover—\$9.9(12.50.
Primary receipts—Wheat, 744.000 vs. 455.000 hushels; corn, 501.000 vs. \$45.000 bushels; corts, 554.000 vs. 574.000 vs. \$74.000 bushels.
Snipments—Wheat, 421.000 vs. \$474.000 bushels; corn, 567.000 vs. 561.000 vs. \$74.000 bushels; corn, 567.000 vs. 561.000 bushels; corn, 101.000 bushels; corn, 101.000 bushels; corn, 101.000 bushels; corn, 101.000 bushels; flour, 12.000 bushels; visible wheat decrease, 3,800.000 bushels.

#### Egropean Grain Markets.

LONDON, March 23,-Cargoes on passage d lower. Liverpool options—Corn opened %d lower losed %d lower.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 22.—Wheat—May, \$1,43% to \$1,43%; July, \$1,48%; No. 1 hard, \$1,56%; No. 1 Northern, \$1.50% # 1,52%; No. 2 Northern, \$1,47% # 1,51%.

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Plax—\$1,87% # 1,91.

Other Eastern Grain Markets. DULUTH, March 23,-Wheat closed; May.

WINNIPEG, March 28.—Wheat closed May, \$1.52%; July, \$1.52%; Oats, May, 64%c July, 64%c bid. ST. LOUIS, March 23.—Wheat closed: May, \$1.50%; July, \$1.18%.

KANSAS CITY, March 23.—Wheat closed May, \$1.46½. OMAHA, March 23.-Wheat, 1c higher.

Coule at Son Franci 

©28. Call Board—Barley—May, \$1.25; December, \$1.32. Puget Sound Grain Markets.

Puget Sound Crain Sizects.

SEATTLE, March 12.—Wheat—Bluestem.

11.13: forty-fold, \$1.30; club, \$1.25; fife.

11.7: red Russian, \$1.25½.

Barley—\$25 per ton.

2. barley 2. corn 1, hay 27, flour 5. TACOMA. Wash March 23.—Wheat— Hluestem, \$1.35; orty-fold, \$1.35; club, \$1.34; red fife, \$1.2 @ 1.32. Car receipts; Wh at 8, barley 2, corn 8, bay 10.

## \_\_\_\_ WEEK LEFT TO PAY TAX

OF \$7,500,000 DUE, NOT TWO MILLION IS COLLECTED.

Penalty on First Half to Be September 1, While Second Is Delinquent

With offly a week more in which the first half of the county taxes may be first haif of the county taxes may be paid in order to avoid the penalty. Chief Deputy Tax Collector Huckabay reported last night that less than \$2,000,000 had been taken in. There is more than \$7,500,000 on the taxroll to be collected this year, and as a consequence it is anticipated that the last few days of the coming week will be busy ones for the tax collector.

Mr. Huckabay said that he expected some large payments by some of the railroad companies during the next few days, and that this would materially raise the total. He reports the amount collected to date as between \$500,000 and \$900,000 less than the amount which had been taken in at the same time last year.

It is said that many of the people It is said that an any more than half but less than all. The collectors, however, must refuse this privilege owing to the fact that the law specifically states that they must pay either half or all. Mr. Huckabay explained yesterday that

CENTRALIA. Wash. March 23.—(Special.)—The erection of the new milk pasteurizing plant of the Purity Milk & Produce Co. was started today by N. E. Greenleaf, the contractor, who has agreed to have it ready for operation by May 1.

The machinery has been ordered and is on the road. The new plant will be of concrete construction and, according to J. A. Winchell, the manager of the new company, will be one of the best of its kind on the Pacific Coast.

Mr. Huckabay explained yesterday that there were two delinquent dates of September 1." The said, "is still in force for taxes the first half of which is not paid before April 1. Such taxes accumulate interest at the rate of 1 per cent a month and become delinquent law passed by the last Legislature applies only to taxes the first half of which are paid before April 1. It makes the second half of the taxes become delinquent on October 1."

## DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, March 25 — Maximum temperature, 70.8 degrees; minimum, 48.8 degrees. River reading, 8 A. M., 2.5 feet change in last 24 hours, 0.5 foot. Total rainfall, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., none; total rainfall, since September 1, 1214, 25.04 mission. The linehoe; normal, 35,44 inches; deficiency,

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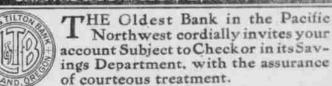
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WEATHER CONDITIONS.

A small depression is central over the Great Sait Lake Basin and a large disturbance is central north of Minnesons. The harometer continues relatively high ever the Gulf States and also over British Columbia. Light rain has failen in Northesst Washington, Montana, the Dakotas, the Lower Mississippi Valley, Upper Onio Valley, Lower Lake Region and Southern Florida. It is much cooler in the Northern Rocky Mountain States and along the Pacific Count. The temperatures have risen decidedly in Eastern Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas and Okiahama.

The conditions are favorable for generally fair weather in this district Wednesday, probably preceded by rain in Southeastern Idaho. It will be cooler in Southern Idaho. WEATHER CONDITIONS.

PORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Fair; westerly

winds.
Oregon—Fair, westerly winds.
Oregon—Fair, westerly winds mostly north-erly.
Idaho—Fair, except rain southeast por-tion; cooler south portion. eagene Has Another Summer Day.

## EUGENE, Or., March 23,-(Special. The Canadian Bank of Commerce

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Portland, Or.

With the thermometer at 80 degrees and the atmosphere heavy and hasy. Eugens experienced a real suitry Summer day yesterday. This is the third consecutive day of weather unusually warm for March, and small boys declaration that the river is becoming "warm as dishwater."

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nables, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23. — Butter—
Fresh extras, 23c; prime firsts, 22 to; fresh
firsts, 21 to;
Eggs Fresh extras, 21c, firsts, 13 to;
Cheese—New, 8811 to; Young America,
12 to 411 to; Oregon, 14 to;
Vegetables—Bell peppers, 2 to 13c; hethouse
cacumbers, 30c 881.10; peas, 5 to 1 asparatus, 81.25c; per box.

Coffee Futures.

NEW YORK, March 23.—The market for coffee futures opened unchanged to 6 points higher on some European buying of later deliveries and in asmaathy with the steady ruling of the Brazilian markets. There was no important demand, however, and prices later cased off under renewed near-month liquidation. New Orleans and scattered trade selling. The close was 6 to 10 points lower. Sales, 21,000. March. 5.84c; April, 5.84c; May. 5.90c; June, 5.35c; July, 7.05c; August, 7.13c; September, 7.20c; October, 7.25c; November, 7.38c; January, 7.44c; February, 7.48c.

Spot. quiet. Rio, No. 7, Sc; Santos No. 4, 184 104c.

Very few offers were reported in the cost. Coffee Futures.

Naval Stores. SAVANNAH, Gai, March 28.—Turpentine, Girm. 42c. Sales. 580; receipts, 172; shipments, 131; stocks, 29,769.
Rosin, firm; sales, none; receipts, 845; shipments, 121; stocks, 112,131. Quote; AB, \$2,9698.03; CDEFGH, \$3,05; 1, \$8,971; K. \$3,20; M. \$4; N. \$5; WG, \$3,40; WW, \$3,55.

Strong-Hogs Are Quiet.

The piant has a substantial Green shingles are being