WAGE RISE SOUGHT

Concerted Effort of Labor Reported Under New Law.

CITY PAYROLL AFFECTED

Movement Expected to Open Within Near Future—Preference Said to Be Given to Aliens Under Ordinance.

Simultaneously with the taking effect yesterday of the city's new ordinance requiring contractors on municipal work to maintain an eight-hour day, to pay the city's scale of wages to all workmen and to give preference to local labor, reports were received by City Engineer Dater to the effect that a concerted effort is being made by labor interests to have the city's wage scales for skilled workmen increased. It is expected the movement will make its appearance in the open within a short time.

The new ordinance requires every contractor on municipal contracts to pay all his laborers, workmen and mechanics the wages paid by the City of Portland for similar work. This means, it is said, that if the city increases its wage scale for carpenters, mechanical engineers, cement finishers or other workmen the same increases must be given by all contractors who handle street paving, grading, sidewalk construction, sewer construction, bridge building or other work done by the municipality.

A number of complications have arisen regarding the operation of the ordinance which may require considerable time to straighten out. The measure provides no method of checking up on the books of contractors to see that they actually pay the wages required. It does not specify exactly at what stage of the proceedings for the letting of contracts the scale of wages existing shall apply and, it is said, it provides no means of enforcing its provisions against alien contractors who do their own labor in executing their contracts.

The measure, it is argued by some contractors, will make it easier for the organizations of aliens to get contracts and complete them at a profit. The regular contractor, it is said, is forced to pay the maximum wages for workmen. The aliens band together, submit bids for work and then perform the work themselves. They are all partners in the contract and they employ no labor, therefore they do not have to pay $3 a day wages. It is said the ordinance, if enforced, will have the effect of making it easier for these people to get contracts. They are Greeks, Italians, Syrians and Austrians, many of them unable to speak English.

CLUB PUTS O. K. ON BONDS

Albina Business Men Unanimous in Indorsement of Road Issue.

The Albina Business Men's Club at its meeting yesterday in the Albina Branch Library unanimously indorsed the proposed $1,250,000 road bond issue. It was set forth that the main portion of the issue will go for labor and that the money will be expended at home.

S. A. Mathieu, A. R. Zeller, T. L. Adams and others spoke briefly. It was decided to invite Roadmaster John B. Yeon to speak to Albina folk at the Albina Branch Library Wednesday night.

The club favors the erection of an illuminated arch at the intersection of Williams avenue and Russell street. N. C. Merges, L. G. Schroeder, A. R. Zeller and S. A. Mathieu were appointed to look after the improvement of streets and to take up the extension of Williams avenue. H. A. Calef and J. D. Sherman, of the East Side Business Men's Club, addressed the meeting on the publicity programme.

POLICE SERGEANT TO FARM

Filetus E. Wanless Tenders Resignation to Take Effect April 1.

With the intention of retiring to his dairy and hog ranch near Newberg, Filetus E. Wanless, police sergeant, for a number of years one of the most popular and best-known members of the police department, has handed in his resignation to Chief of Police Clark. The resignation takes effect April 1.

The question of sergeancy appointments is again brought up by the resignation. One of the older night sergeants probably will take Mr. Wanless' place on the day relief, which will leave a night vacancy. M. E. Lillis heads the list for promotion under the recent examinations, but he says he will not accept an appointment that means night work. Patrolmen Wade and Ennis are tied for second place.

STREETS WILL BE OILED

City Orders Advertising for 10,000 Barrels of Crude Oil.

Preparatory to starting the oiling of unpaved streets throughout the city to prevent dust during the Summer months the City Council yesterday instructed the municipal purchasing bureau to advertise for 10,000 barrels of crude oil for delivery as needed.

The oiling of the roads will be started as soon as possible. The new sprinkling system designed a year ago by the municipal shops will be used again this year. The oiling will be done by the street cleaning and sprinkling bureau.

SECRETARY IS EXEMPT

Movie Position Ruled Out of Civil Service Jurisdiction.

The position of secretary to the Motion Picture Censorship Board, now held by Mrs. E. B. Colwell, is not to be under civil service jurisdiction. City Attorney LaRoche ruled yesterday that under the provisions of the charter the position may be held permanently by Mrs. Colwell without the necessity of her taking a civil service examination.

Under the charter, the Council may create boards and these may have employes. Mr. LaRoche says that such employes do not have to be under civil service.

YOUTH FACES NEW CHARGE

Forgery Follows Larceny Plaint Soon After Release.

Shortly after the charge of larceny by embezzlement had been continued in the case against Earl Kisby, aged 18, in Municipal Court yesterday, Deputy District Attorney Richard Deich swore out a warrant charging the youth with forgery, and it is to that charge he will answer today.

Four months ago Kisby was in similar trouble in Portland, but said he had work offered him on a farm near Goldendale, Wash. He was told by Judge Stevenson to go to Goldendale and not to come back. He was arrested Thursday in Portland by City Detectives Hellyer and Tackaberry.

It is now alleged that Kisby stole a letter written to J. A. Hamilton, of this city, by Dr. C. S. Terpening, of Pendleton. In this letter was a check for $3, made out to Hamilton. By forging Hamilton's name, Kisby is alleged to have collected the $3. It is then asserted that Kisby later forged a check to Hamilton, signing Dr. Terpening's signature, and collected $28 on this.

NORTHERN TRADE BETTER

DISTRIBUTIVE BUSINESS EXPANDS DURING WEEK.

Speeding Up of Manufacturing Industry Favorably Affects Sentiment. War Order Trade Large.

NEW YORK, March 26.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

Distributive trade has expanded in the northern half of the country this week, the stimulating features being better weather and the nearer approach of Easter. In addition, sentiment as to the outlook has been benefited by a slight speeding up of manufacturing industry and the enlarged speculation at higher prices in cotton and securities. War order business, however, still remains the strong point of the entire situation.

The great basic facts of soil and crop conditions favor the growing of large crops in this country the coming year. Prices of all agricultural products except cotton are still flattering.

It might be pointed out that the reports as to employment are rather better than of late. Building shows more signs of life, though gradual improvement only is reported and lumber remains depressed.

There is more life visible in the cotton goods industry, a reflection partly of the sharp advances in raw material. Wash fabrics have sold quite freely for Summer wear; wool and woolens seem quieter and there is a better feeling voiced by official observers in the silk trade.

Bank clearings for the week aggregate $2,892,223,000, a decrease of 6.4 per cent from last week and of 8.6 from the corresponding week last year.

Business failures for the week number 375, compared with 299 in the like week last year. Business failures in Canada for the week were 62, compared with 46 in the like week last year.

GOODS MARKET IMPROVING SLOWLY

Trading in Scoured Wools at Slightly Lower Prices.

BOSTON, March 26.—The Commercial Bulletin will say of the wool market tomorrow:

"Except for a fair turn-over in foreign wools again this week, the market has been very sluggish. What business has been done in foreign wools has been at recent rates. Some of the trading in domestic scoured wool is reported, but at slightly lower prices. The goods market appears to improve, but slowly. Foreign markets have been fairly steady."

Scoured basis—Texas, fine, 12 months, 71@75c; fine, eight months, 62@63c.

California Northern, 66@68c; middle county, 69@62c; Southern, 56@58c.

Oregon Eastern, No. 1 staple, 71@72c; Eastern clothing, 65@68c; Valley, No. 1, 57@60c.

Territory, fine staple, 72@73c; fine medium staple, 67@70c; fine clothing, 68@70c; fine medium clothing, 65@68c; half-blood combing, 70@72c; three-eighths-blood combing, 65@67c.

Pulled extra, 72@73c; AA, 70@71c; fine A, 69@70c; A supers, 67@68c.

LONDON, March 26.—The offerings at the wool auction sales today amounted to 10,900 bales. The selection was in good condition and the demand was spirited at firm prices. Greasy cross-breds touched 1s 7½d, the highest price of the series. Americans bought scoured and greasy merinos moderately. Licenses are being granted slowly for merino wool and sheepskins purchased for America.

PALOUSE CROPS ARE SAFE

Conditions Indicate Bumper Crops for Fall-Sown Wheat.

FARMINGTON, Wash., March 26.—(Special.)—Favored by the mildest Winter weather known to the Palouse country for many years, the Fall-sown crops are in excellent condition and all indications are for a bumper crop this Fall. Oldtimers are unanimous in their opinions that the prospects never were better. Little fear of a freeze-out is entertained.

Owing to the present high prices, the acreage this year will be unusually large, both in Fall and Spring-sown crops.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, March 26.—Maximum temperature, 57.4 degrees; minimum, 47.5 degrees. River reading, 8 A. M., 3.2 feet; change in last 24 hours, .1 foot rise. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), none; total rainfall since September 1, 1914, 23.04 inches; normal, 35.95 inches; deficiency, 12.91 inches. Total sunshine, 6 hours, 43 minutes; possible, 12 hours, 29 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea level), 5 P. M., 29.95 inches.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Maximum temp.	Precipitation past 24 hours	Wind. Velocity	Wind. Direction	State of Weather
Baker	54	0.00	4	SW	Pt. cloudy
Boise	62	0.00	4	SE	Cloudy
Boston	44	0.00	22	W	Clear
Calgary	42	0.00	4	SE	Clear
Chicago	50	0.00	4	SE	Clear
Colfax	59	0.00	Calm		Clear
Denver	52	0.00	6	N	Pt. cloudy
Des Moines	36	0.00	6	NW	Clear
Duluth	30	0.00	16	SW	Clear
Eureka	64	0.10	14	SE	Cloudy
Galveston	66	0.00	10	SE	Cloudy
Helena	36	0.00	4	NW	Pt. cloudy
Jacksonville	76	0.00	4	S	Pt. cloudy
Kansas City	38	0.00	12	N	Cloudy
Los Angeles	68	0.00	6	SE	Pt. cloudy
Marshfield	56	0.30	4	SE	Cloudy
Medford	60	0.01	20	SE	Cloudy
Minneapolis	30	0.00	8	W	Clear
Montreal	18	0.00	24	NW	Clear
New Orleans	44	0.00	38	NW	Clear
New York	44	0.00	38	NW	Clear
North Head	60	0.00	12	E	Pt. cloudy
North Yakima	58	0.00	4	SE	Pt. cloudy
Pendleton	57	0.00	Calm		Clear
Phoenix	80	0.00	6	NE	Clear
Pocatello	54	0.00	4	W	Cloudy
Portland	57	0.00	12	E	Cloudy
Roseburg	56	0.12	4	NW	Cloudy
Sacramento	64	0.00	10	SE	Cloudy
St. Louis	42	0.01	4	NE	Pt. cloudy
Salt Lake	60	0.00	12	NW	Cloudy
San Francisco	62	0.04	22	SE	Rain
Seattle	64	0.00	12	N	Clear
Spokane	54	0.00	4	N	Pt. cloudy
Tacoma	58	.000	14	N	Clear
Tatoosh Island	56	0.00	30	E	Clear
Walla Walla	52	0.00	4	N	Cloudy
Washington	50	0.00	12	NW	Clear
Winnipeg	36	0.00	16	W	Cloudy

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The Dakota high-pressure area is central this evening over Nebraska and a shallow depression extends from Oregon southeastward to Utah. Light rain has fallen in California, Western Oregon and Tennessee. The temperatures have risen in Eastern Oregon, Montana, the Dakotas and the Canadian Northwest. It is much cooler over a wide strip of territory extending from Texas northeastward to New England.

The conditions are favorable for showers in this district Saturday, except in Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, where fair weather will probably continue another 24 hours.

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Showers; southeasterly winds.

Oregon—Showers; southeasterly winds.

Washington—Fair east, showers west portion; southeasterly winds.

Idaho—Showers south, fair north portion.

EDWARD A. BEALS, District Forecaster.

Couldn't Keep One, Anyway.

(Boston Transcript.)

"Do you know that Lacey's is advertising a mammoth sale this week?"

"I likes a man dat allus has a cheerful disposition," said Uncle Eben, "pervided dat he doesn' git it by shovin' all de worry off on someone else."

PRICES ASKED FOR

Australia Is Making Bids for North Pacific Wheat.

LOCAL MARKET IS QUIET

Limited Transfers at Merchants Exchange Are at Declines of Three to Four Cents—Interest in Coarse Grains Subsides.

Buyers in Australia are making bids for North Pacific wheat, but no new business on this account is known to have been booked. Grain dealers are looking for trade with that quarter, as Australia's needs during the remainder of the year are considerable.

Crop conditions in that country have been poor and it is estimated that the wheat harvest for the entire commonwealth did not exceed 20,000,000 bushels. There were rainfalls in the latter part of the season, but these arrived too late to benefit the crop.

New South Wales has been the most favored as regards the wheat crop, and the authorities, in order to prevent prices from becoming excessive, commandeered the entire yield and sold it at practically cost to millers and others. Victoria, South Australia and West Australia all experienced poor harvests, but in Queensland conditions were fairly good

Yesterday's session of the Merchants' Exchange was rather quiet and the undertone of the market was easier. The day's sales were as follows:

5,000 bushels April bluestem	$1.28
10,000 bushels May club	1.27
10,000 bushels May club	1.27
100 tons May bran	23.50

The two deals in May club were at declines of 3 cents from the best bids of Thursday, while April bluestem sold at 4 cents lower. Other offers in the wheat list were from 2 to 7 cents under those of the day before. Oats and barley bids ranged from a dollar lower to a quarter higher. Bran sold 50 cents cheaper than on Thursday.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Portland	15	....	2	....	5
Year ago	24	2	9	4	9
Season to date	15,282	1855	1734	1833	1724
Year ago	14,717	2213	2279	1452	2314
Tacoma—					
Thursday	5	....	....	....	6
Year ago	7	4	....	1	11
Season to date	8,518	521	....	571	2795
Year ago	7,981	680	....	406	2974
Seattle—					
Wednesday	34	....	5	....	5
Year ago	3	2	9	2	18
Season to date	7,092	1018	1897	1059	4831
Year ago	6,146	978	1684	1102	4328

HIGH WOOL HOLDS TRADE IN CHECK

Dealers Hesitate About Buying in View of Foreign Situation.

Wool dealers hesitate about venturing in the 1915 market at the high prices ruling. The frequent changes in the situation concerning foreign staple and the unsettled conditions in the goods market make the future of wool very uncertain. Importers are transferring their holdings to manufacturers as rapidly as possible. Commenting on the situation, the Boston correspondent of the New York Commercial says:

"Prices already named in the West on contracts seem very high in view of recent developments. The effect of the impending arrivals of Australian wools is the most prominent of these developments. The primary markets appear to have been entirely upset thereby. This is shown by the modification of the demands of growers. Yet the reports regarding importations of foreign wool under the textile alliance plan even now are none too reassuring. The appointment of a deputy agent at this port has not been announced. Details are developing so slowly generally that some members of the local wool trade remain skeptical as to the intentions of the British authorities.

"Efforts are being made in a straightforward way by manufacturers and wool dealers generally to import merinos under the provisions required. Recent cablegrams have seemed to indicate that permits to ship wools soon would be issued, though none apparently has yet been secured. Obstacle after obstacle has arisen to befuddle prospective shippers as to the requirements of the authorities. The difficulty is encountered in London as well as Melbourne and Sydney. It is stated that the wool bought at the February auction sales in London still holds a place on the dock at London for want of permits allowing the owners to ship the same."

NEW POTATOES SCARCE FOR EASTER

No Louisiana Strawberries on Coast This Year—Oranges to Advance.

There will be a scarcity throughout the entire Northwest of new potatoes for the Easter trade. A car was started from Florida for this section, but it contained a quantity of Early Rose that did not keep well, and consequently was diverted to markets nearer the shipping point. California has few new potatoes to offer and only a limited supply could be obtained for shipment North on the steamer Great Northern, which sails today. There will be no new Garnets for 30 days, Florida tomatoes will also be scarce for Easter. Very little cabbage will arrive during the coming week, as the California vegetable unions are unable to fill all their orders for Winningstadt.

It is doubtful if any Louisiana strawberries come to the Coast this year. The freeze on the 21st killed 80 per cent of the crop, according to advices just received, and the second growth will not be ready before Los Angeles begins to ship. Southern California berries will be ready in carlots about April 15.

The orange market is firm in the South and here, and fancy stock will not sell under $2.50 next week.

Egg Market Quoted Weak.

Eggs were still quoted at 19 cents yesterday, but the market was weak and the general belief was that an 18-cent price will prevail next week.

Poultry receipts were small and prices were firm throughout the list. Dressed meats were steady.

No further changes were reported in the cheese or butter markets.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,820,752	$263,566
Seattle	1,617,676	147,128
Tacoma	249,632	64,958
Spokane	493,744	46,202

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session:

Prompt delivery:	Bid.	Asked.
Wheat—		
Bluestem	$ 1.26	$ 1.30
Forty-fold	1.23	1.32
Club	1.24	1.29
Red Russian	1.17	1.24
Red fife	1.18	1.26
Oats—		
No. 1 white feed	32.00	33.00
Barley—		
No. 1 feed	24.00	26.00
Bran	22.00	24.00
Shorts	23.00	25.00
Futures—		
April bluestem	1.28	1.31
May bluestem	1.30	1.31½
April fortyfold	1.26	1.32
May fortyfold	1.28½	1.32
April club	1.24	1.29
May club	1.27	1.29
April red Russian	1.17	1.24
May red Russian	1.20	1.26
April red fife	1.18	1.26
May red fife	1.20	1.28
April oats	32.25	33.00
May oats	33.00	34.00
April feed barley	25.00	26.00
May feed barley	25.50	27.00
April bran	22.50	24.00
May bran	23.50	24.00

FLOUR—Patents, $7 a barrel; straights, $6.50; whole wheat, $7.20; graham, $7.

MILLFEED—Spot prices: Bran, $26.50 per ton; shorts, $28.50; rolled barley, $31@32.

CORN—Whole, $35 per ton; cracked, $36 per ton.

HAY—Eastern Oregon timothy, $14@15; Valley timothy, $12@12.50; grain hay, $10@12; alfalfa, $12.50@13.50.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2@2.50 per box; lemons, $3@3.75 per box; bananas, 4½c per pound, grapefruit, $3@4.25; pineapples, 6c per pound; tangerines, $1.25@1.75 per box; blood oranges, $1.50 per box.

VEGETABLES — Cucumbers, hothouse $1.50 per dozen; peppers, 30@35c per pound; artichokes, 75c per dozen; tomatoes, $5 per crate; cabbage, 1½@2½c per pound; celery, $4.50 per crate; cauliflower, $2 per crate; sprouts, 8@9c per pound; head lettuce, $2.25 per crate; hothouse lettuce, 75c@$1 per box; spinach, 60@75c per box; rhubarb, 5@6c per pound; asparagus, 8@12½c per pound, eggplant, 30c per pound; peas, 10@15c per pound.

GREEN FRUITS—Apples, 50c@1.50 per box; cranberries, $11@12 per barrel.

POTATOES — Oregon, $1@1.35 per sack; Yakima, $1@1.25; new potatoes, 10c per pound; sweet potatoes, 3½ per pound.

ONIONS — Oregon, selling price, $1 per sack, country points

SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, $1.25 per sack; beets, $1.50 per sack; parsnips, $1.25 per sack; turnips, $1.75 per sack.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations:

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

POULTRY—Hens, large, 15½@16c; hens, ordinary 15@15½c; broilers, 18@20c; turkeys, dressed, 22@23c; live, 16@19c; ducks, 12@15c; geese, 8@9c.

BUTTER—Creamery, prints, extras, 29½c per pound in case lots; ½c more in less than case lots; cubes, 25c.

CHEESE—Oregon triplets, jobbers' buying price, 14½c per pound, f. o. b. dock, Portland; Young Americas, 15½c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 11½@12c per pound

PORK—Block, 10c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SALMON — Columbia River one-pound talls, $2.30 per dozen; half-pound flats, $1.50; one-pound flats, $2.30; Alaska pink, one-pound talls, $1.05.

HONEY—Choice, $3.25 per case.

NUTS—Walnuts, 15@24c per pound; Brazil nuts, 15c; filberts, 15@24c; almonds, 23@24c; peanuts, 6¾c; cocoanuts, $1 per dozen; pecans 19@20; chestnuts, 10c.

BEANS—Small white, 6½c; large white, 6¼c; Lima, 6½c; pink, 5@6c; Mexican, 6½c; bayou, 6½c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 15½@33½c.

SUGAR — Fruit and berry, $6.70; beet, $6.50; extra C, $6.20; powdered, in barrels, $6.95; cubes, barrels, $7.10.

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

RICE—Southern head, 6¼@6¾c; broken, 4c per pound; Japan style, 5@5¼c.

DRIED FRUITS — Apples, 8c per pound; apricots, 13@15c; peaches, 8c; prunes, Italians, 8@9c; raisins, loose Muscatels, 8c; unbleached Sultanas, 7½c; seeded, 8@9c; dates, Persian, 10c per pound; fard, $1.65 per box; currants, 8¾@12c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS — 1914 crop, nominal; contracts, nominal.

HIDES—Salted hides, 14½c; salted kip, 14½c; salted calf, 18c; green hides, 13c; green kip, 14½c; green calf, 18c; dry hides, 25c; dry calf, 27c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, coarse, 22@25c; Eastern Oregon, fine, 18@20c; Valley, 25c, nominal.

MOHAIR—New clip, 28@30c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 4½c per pound.

PELTS—Dry long-wooled pelts, 15c; dry short-wooled pelts, 12c; dry shearings, each, 10c; salted shearings, each, 15@25c; dry goats, long hair, each, 13c; dry goat shearings, each, 10@20c; salted sheep pelts, March, $1@2 each.

Provisions.

HAMS—All sizes, 17½@18½c; skinned, 17@18c; picnic, 12c; cottage roll, 13½c; broiled, 19@28c.

BACON—Fancy, 27@28c; standard, 23@24c; choice, 17½@22c; strips, 17½c.

DRY SALT—Short clear backs, 13@15½c; exports, 15@17c; plates, 11½@13c.

LARD—Tierce basis: Kettle rendered, 12½c; standard, 12c; compound, 8¾c.

BARREL GOODS—Mess beef, 23c; plate beef, $24.50; brisket pork, $28.50; pickled pigs' feet, $12.50; tripe, 10.50@11.60; tongues, $25@30.

Oils.

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

GASOLINE—Bulk, 12c; cases, 19c; engine distillate, drums, 7½c; cases, 14½c; naptha, drums, 11c; cases, 16c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 73c; raw, cases, 80c; boiled, barrels, 77c; boiled, cases, 82c.

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

GOOD HOGS ARE FIRM

BUYERS PAY $7.45 FOR BEST OFFERINGS AT YARDS.

First Easter Lambs Sell at $12.50 Per Hundred—Cattle Market Is Slow.

The run of livestock was light again yesterday and the market was quiet. Not much interest was shown in the cattle division and $7 was the top price paid for steers. Good hogs, when available, are taken readily and there were more sales yesterday at $7.45.

The mutton market was very quiet with a strong undertone. A consignment of 75 head of Eastern lambs brought $12.50. Last year the top price of this class of lambs was $12, and the same price was paid for the first offerings in 1913. A shipment of Spring lambs for the open market is expected in a few days.

Receipts were 92 cattle, 408 hogs and 101 sheep. Shippers were:

With cattle—W. H. Mockler, Ontario, 2 cars; J. L. Cox, Stanfield, 1 car.

With hogs—Cottonwood Milling Company, Cottonwood, Idaho, 2 cars.

With mixed loads—Max Moellendorff, Weiser, 1 car cattle and hogs; C. E. Lucke, Mosier, 1 car cattle, hogs and sheep; F. B. Decker, Silverton, and J. C. Davis, Shedd, 1 car cattle, hogs and sheep each.

Today's sales were as follows:

Wgt.	Pr.	Wgt.	Pr.
10 steers 1251	$6.50	89 hogs 200	$7.45
28 steers 1260	7.00	2 hogs 325	6.45
1 calf 130	7.00	1 bull 1080	3.50
2 bulls 1352	4.50	1 bull 1200	4.00
9 steers 1092	6.70	2 stags 950	3.00
1 calf 190	6.00	1 cow 990	6.25
42 steers 1072	6.40	1 cow 1260	6.00
7 cows 1080	6.60	1 cow 940	6.25
2 hogs 180	7.40	14 hogs 113	6.75
1 hog 290	6.40	39 hogs 179	7.40
2 hogs 115	6.75	12 hogs 174	7.45
1 hog 160	6.90	16 ewes 99	5.25
91 hogs 201	7.45		

Prices current at the local stockyards on the various classes of stock:

Best steers	$7.25@7.75
Choice steers	7.00@7.25
Medium steers	6.75@7.00
Choice cows	6.60@6.50
Medium cows	5.00@5.75
Heifers	5.00@6.25
Bulls	3.50@6.00
Stags	5.00@6.25
Hogs—	
Light	6.50@7.45
Heavy	5.90@6.00
Sheep—	
Wethers	7.00@7.75
Ewes	6.00@6.75
Lambs	7.50@9.00

Omaha Livestock Market.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., March 26.—Hogs—Receipts, 10,000 head; market strong. Heavy, $6.40@6.55; light, $6.45@6.65; pigs, $5.50@6.40; bulk of sales, $6.40@6.50.

Cattle—Receipts, 400 head; market steady. Native steers, $6.25@8; cows and heifers, $3@6.75; Western steers, $6@7.60; Texas steers, $5.80@5.20; cows and heifers, $4.75@6.50; calves, $7@9.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000 head; market steady. Yearlings, $8.50@9; wethers, $7.50@8; lambs, $9@9.90.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, March 26.—Hogs—Receipts, 21,000 head; market active, strong to 5c above yesterday's average. Bulk, $6.60@6.70; light, $6.50@6.75; mixed, $6.50@6.75; heavy, $6.20@6.72½; rough, $6.20@6.40; pigs, $3.25@6.25.

Cattle—Receipts, 1000 head; market firm. Native steers, $6@8.80; Western, $5.30@7.50; cows and heifers, $3@7.85; calves, $8.75@10.25.

Sheep—Receipts, 6000 head; market slow. Sheep, $7.15@8.25; yearlings, $7.90@9.25; lambs, $7.50@9.85.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 26.—Turpentine firm, 42½c. Sales, 472; receipts, 23; shipments, 471; stocks, 29,377.

Rosin, firm; sales, 147; receipts, 335; shipments, 157; stocks, 111,036. Quote: AB, $2.90@3.05; C, D, E, F, G, H, $3.05; I, $3.10; 24,750. March 5.99c; April, 5.99c; May, 6.08c; June, 6.13c; July, 7.27c; August, 7.35c; September, 7.43c; October, 7.48c; November, 7.50c; December, 7.58c; January, 7.64c; February, 7.69c.

Spot coffee steady. Rio, No. 7, 8c; Santos, No. 4, 10¼c.

Rio coffee was offered here in the cost and freight markets at unchanged prices, but there were a very few offers from Santos at prices much above a parity with local spots.

Rio exchange on London was ⅛d lower and there was no change in milreis prices.

Americans Active at London.

LONDON, March 26.—The American section of the stock market today was the most active, the whole list participating in the movement. Union Pacific, Erie and Missouri, Kansas & Texas had the most markings. The market closed steady, a shade under the best.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, March 26.—Raw sugar—Spot, market closed steady; centrifugal, 4.92@4.95c; molasses sugar, 4.13@4.18c. Sales, 45,000 bags. Refined steady.

STOCKS HOLD WELL

Market Is Little Affected by Foreign Selling.

DAY'S DEALINGS LIGHTER

Southern Pacific and Other Important Shares Touch Highest Prices of Year—Important Developments Are Expected.

NEW YORK, March 26.—Increased profit-taking and more foreign selling of our stocks combined to hold today's market in check, but the movement, save in a few isolated instances, was firm, with frequent periods of actual strength. Southern Pacific and a few other important shares sold at highest prices of the year, but some of the leaders, particularly United States Steel, were under moderate pressure. Maximum gains ran from 1 to 3 points, the cotton-carrying roads scoring most substantial advances.

Speculative interests appeared to be on the decrease, as the day's sales were slightly under those of the preceding session and considerably less than earlier in the week. Prices wavered toward the close, with especial weakness in Bethlehem Steel, which declined 1½ points to 66¾, over 6 points from its recent high quotation.

London was again a seller of the international list, offerings from that center consisting mainly of the Pacifics, Steel and the less conspicuous coppers. Private cables from London hinted strongly at peace negotiations in the near future.

The feature of the foreign exchange market was a demand for remittances on the Scandinavian countries, particularly Denmark. This was accepted as evidence that German and Austrian interests were using these centers as mediums for the further liquidation of our stocks. Exchange on London reacted before the close of the market, but held well above the low rates of the early week. Important developments respecting exchange conditions between New York and London and Paris are expected in the course of the coming week.

Surface movements of money point to a very heavy gain in cash by local banks tomorrow, the increase being estimated at as high as $17,000,000. Long time loans are nominally unchanged, but actually lower on high-class collateral.

Total sales of stocks amounted to 3,766,800 shares.

Bonds were firm with a broader demand. Total sales, par value, were $2,471,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Alaska Gold	3,000	34⅝	34⅛	34⅛
Amal Copper	15,000	62⅝	61⅞	61⅞
Am Beet Sugar	2,700	45	44⅛	44⅝
American Can	1,500	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛
Am Cotton & Ref	4,500	68⅛	66⅝	67⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	103½
Am Sugar Ref	3,900	105⅛	102	104⅛
Am Tel & Tel	1,000	122⅛	121⅞	122
Am Tobacco	.....	.....	.....	223
Anaconda Min	3,100	28⅞	28½	28⅝
Atchison	7,800	99⅝	99	99⅛
Balt & Ohio	5,100	72⅛	71⅛	71⅛
Brook R Tran	4,400	89⅝	89	89⅝
Cal Petroleum	4,700	16⅝	15	15⅝
Canadian Pac	1,400	162⅛	161⅛	162
Central Leather	1,100	35⅛	34⅝	34⅞
Ches & Ohio	3,300	45⅛	44	44½
Chi Gt West	200	11⅞	11⅞	11
C, M & St Paul	1,800	96⅝	90	90
Chicago & N W	.....	.....	.....	125½
Chino Copper	5,700	38⅝	37⅞	38⅝
Col Fuel & Iron	700	27	26⅞	27⅛
Col & Southern	.....	.....	.....	25
D & R Grande	.....	.....	.....	5½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	10
Distillers' Secur	400	8⅝	8½	8⅝
Erie	8,200	24⅞	23⅝	23⅞
Gen Electric	21,400	142	142	141⅞
Gt North pf	2,500	118½	117⅞	118
Gt North Ore	4,200	34⅝	34	34⅛
Guggenheim Ex	1,000	52⅛	52	52
Illinois Central	400	108⅛	107⅛	107⅛
Interboro Met pf	600	62⅝	61⅞	62
Inspiration Cop	4,800	25⅞	25⅛	25⅝
Inter Harvester	.....	.....	.....	95
K C Southern	200	23	23	22⅞
Lehigh Valley	200	157⅛	156⅝	157⅛
Louis & Nash	200	118	118	118
Mex Petroleum	7,600	72⅞	70	71⅝
Miami Copper	1,100	23⅞	23⅛	23⅛
Mo, Kan & Tex	8,600	13	12⅞	12⅞
Mo Pacific	1,100	12	11⅞	11⅞
Nat Biscuit	200	122	122	120⅛
National Lead	1,600	58⅞	57	58½
Nevada Copper	300	12⅝	12⅝	12⅝
N Y Central	1,000	85⅛	85⅛	85⅛
N Y, N H & H	11,500	59⅛	57	59⅛
Norfolk & West	.....	.....	.....	101
Northern Pac	3,500	106⅛	105⅝	106⅝
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	19
Pac Tel & Tel	.....	.....	.....	26⅛
Pennsylvania	900	106⅝	106⅛	106½
Pull Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	151
Ray Con Copper	2,900	19	18⅝	18⅝
Reading	53,000	147	146	147⅝
Republic I & S	.....	.....	.....	21
Rock Island Co	.....	.....	.....	⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	5⅛
St L & S F 2 pf	.....	.....	.....	32
Southern Pac	26,900	88	85⅝	87⅛
Southern Ry	100	16½	16⅛	16⅛
Tenn Copper	600	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛
Texas Company	200	134⅛	133⅝	133⅝
Union Pacific	28,800	125⅝	124⅞	125⅛
do preferred	500	80⅛	80	80
U S Steel	40,100	48⅝	47⅞	48⅛
do preferred	900	105⅞	105⅛	105½