OATS ARE FIRMER

Demand From California Is Broader.

APRIL DELIVERY AT $37

Wheat Higher, With Eastern Advance Due to Improvement in Traffic Conditions — Good Bids for Quick Shipment.

The clearing up of the traffic situation in the East is giving the wheat market an opportunity to assert its underlying strength. The sharp advance at Chicago was the cause of a further marking up of bids at the local exchange, where prices were 2 to 5 cents higher than Monday. The increase in values, however, was not accompanied by any gain in activity.

Inquiries continue to come from the East, but, as has been the case lately, quick shipment is desired and the improvement reported in railroad conditions has not extended to this territory. It is also a question whether dealers could replace sales they might make, as Northwestern farmers are not offering at any point.

The mills in the East, from information received, are about out of stocks, and spot prices command a high premium over options. With a free movement from the West the cash market would probably quiet down.

Oats were firmer, with more demand from California, and bids at the Exchange were raised 25 to 50 cents. One hundred tons of April oats were sold at $36.75 and another 100 tons of April at $37. The local barley market was nominal. In California barley was lower on account of rains, but barley in the East was firmer.

The Liverpool grain cable said:

"Wheat steady, with moderate arrivals; export offers firmly held. Corn firm, with good spot demand; arrivals moderate, consumption liberal. Oats easier, with arrivals increasing; recent purchases liberal. Shipping facilities show an improvement, therefore arrivals expected to be larger. An official announcement refers to government intention of further limiting imports, except necessities.

"Argentina—Weather continues generally clear and warm. Corn reports unfavorable from north and center and better in south.

"Foreign crop summary unfavorable."

Bradstreet's reports the visible wheat decrease at 1,040,000 bushels, with European figures not available. The Canadian wheat visible decreased 774,000 bushels and the oats visible decreased 896,000 bushels.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Portland—					
Tuesday	11	2	4	10	8
Year ago	2	....	3	5	20
Season to date	3,948	164	1078	1813	1672
Year ago	9,327	1348	1193	853	1719
Tacoma—					
Monday	19	....	....	1	1
Year ago	....	....	....	....	....
Season to date	5,014	110	....	256	1520
Year ago	5,887	485	....	265	1765
Seattle—					
Monday	21	....	3	7	50
Season to date	4,036	380	1140	1066	2973
Year ago	6,601	1085	1607	769	3144

WIDE CHOICE OF BREEDING SHEEP

Owners in Northwest Canvassed by Pullman College Professor.

STATE COLLEGE, Pullman, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—A survey of the sheep industry of Washington and adjoining states by Professor William Hislop, head of the Department of Animal Husbandry of the college, canvasses the situation among owners of nearly 250,000 sheep, and develops a surprisingly wide preference among sheepmen as to desirable breeds. Asking the sheepmen which breed of sheep they preferred, Professor Hislop also asked why they had such preference.

Smythe Bros., of Pendleton, Or., stated that they preferred Merino and Lincoln ewes with Lincoln and Hampshire rams; Hampshires for mutton lambs; Lincolns for dual purpose sheep. J. H. Lobbin, of Joseph, Or., lambing 10,000 ewes, preferred Merino and Lincoln ewes and Hampshire rams, giving as his reason "Lincolns for wool and Hampshire for mutton." J. T. Hoskins, of Echo, Or., said "Merino ewes and Lincoln rams for large size and long wool." Oliver & Son, of John Day, Or., preferred Delaine ewes and Delaine rams, "in order to get young breeding ewes." G. C. Tucker, of Keating, Or., preferred Delaine ewes and Lincoln rams, stating that this combination was in excellent demand. Leo Nicholas, of Prineville, Or., wants Merino ewes and Shropshire rams, stating they mature early and give the best mutton. Ernest F. Johnson, of Wallowa, Or., preferred Delaine and Rambouillet ewes with Hampshire and Lincoln rams, saying that for "early mutton the lambs were best."

For lambs that fatten quick, and are heaviest in July, J. D. Hoke, of Medical Springs, Or., preferred Merino ewes and Hampshire rams. To secure a good quality of mutton lamb, Fred Palmer, of Jordan Valley, Or., lambing 10,000 ewes, preferred Shropshire and Cotswold ewes with rams of the same breed; and D. O. Justno, of Heppner, wanted Merino ewes and Lincoln rams, on account of a better sale for the lambs. C. A. Johnson, of Pilot Rock, preferred half-blood Lincoln ewes and Lincoln rams for the sake of higher-priced wool. Kydd & Grant, of Walla Walla, preferred Rambouillet ewes and Shropshire rams, saying that the ewes were easier to herd and that lambs matured early.

The Smith Valley Farm Company, of White Sulphur Springs, Mont., lambing 9500 ewes, expressed a preference for half-blood Rambouillet and Hampshire ewes and Hampshire rams, stating: "Hampshire because most buyers prefer a blackfaced lamb for a feeder. Previous to the war, wool was too cheap to raise fine wool sheep so we decided to go in for mutton, hence the blackface and Hampshire in preference to all other blackfaced sheep."

ALL GRADES OF BUTTER ARE FIRMER

Margin Between Cubes and Prints Regarded as Too Narrow.

The butter market was firm with indications of an advance soon in print prices. Cube extras were generally quoted at 37 cents, with 38 cents probably obtainable on an occasional lot. The margin between cube and print prices is now so small that it is likely the latter will have to be raised.

Eggs held at 32 cents case count, with a few sales worked half a cent higher.

Poultry and dressed meats were quoted unchanged. Both lines were firm with moderate advances.

Tomatoes From Florida.

Another shipment of Florida tomatoes was received yesterday and put on sale at $6 a crate. The steamer brought a light supply of California vegetables, all of which were quoted at firm prices.

Firm Wool Market at London.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—There was an active demand for the fine selections of merinos offered at the wool auction sales today. Prices were firm; New South Wales greasy sold as high as 3s; South Australian at 2s 6d and Queensland scoured at 4s 6½d.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwest cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$2,103,545	$287,265
Seattle	3,737,246	698,995
Tacoma	489,424	61,915
Spokane	819,497	192,072

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session.

February delivery.	Bid.	Bid. yr. ago.
Wheat—		
Bluestem	$ 1.61	$ 1.07
Fortyfold	1.57	.97
Club	1.56	.96
Red fife	....	.96
Red Russian	1.54	.96
Oats—		
No. 1 white feed	36.25	26.00
Barley—		
No. 1 feed	39.50	29.00
Futures—		Bid.
March bluestem		$ 1.62
April bluestem		1.63
March fortyfold		1.59
April fortyfold		1.60
March club		1.58
April club		1.58
March Russian		1.55
April Russian		1.56
March oats		36.75
April oats		37.00
March barley		39.50
April barley		40.00

FLOUR—Patents, $8.20; straights, $7.40@7.60; Valley, $7.70; whole wheat, $8.40; graham, $8.20.

MILLFEED—Spot prices: Bran, $26.50 per ton; shorts, $30.50 per ton; rolled barley, $42@43.

CORN—Whole, $47 per ton; cracked, $48 per ton.

HAY—Producers' prices: Timothy, Eastern Oregon, $19@20 per ton; alfalfa, $14@16; Valley grain hay, $12.50@14.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Cubes, extras, 37c; prime firsts, 35½c; firsts, 35c; Jobbing prices: Prints, extras, 39c; cartons, 1c extra; butterfat, No. 1, 39c; No. 2, 37c, Portland.

CHEESE—Jobbers' buying prices, f. o. b. dock, Portland; Tillamook triplets, 20c; Young Americas not quoted.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, current receipts, 32@32½c per dozen; Oregon ranch, candled, 33@34c per dozen; Oregon ranch, selects, 36c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 18@19c per pound; Springs, 18@19c; turkeys, live, 21@23c; dressed, 25@28c; ducks, 20@22c; geese, 12½@13c.

VEAL—Fancy, 15c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 15½c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navels, $1.85@3.00; lemons, $2.50@4.00 per box; bananas, 5c per pound; grapefruit, $4.50@5.75; tangerines, $2@2.25 per box.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, $1.10@1.25 per dozen; tomatoes, $6 per crate; cabbage $5@5.50 hundred; eggplant, 25c lb.; lettuce, $4.00; cucumbers, $1.50@1.75 per dozen; celery, $5.50@6.50 per crate; cauliflower, $2.60@2.85 per crate; peppers, 35c per pound; sack vegetables, $1.25@2 per sack; sprouts, 12½c per pound; rhubarb, 10@11c per pound; peas, 15c per pound.

POTATOES—Oregon buying prices: $3@3.25 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 4½c per pound.

ONIONS—Oregon buying prices: $3.50 per sack, country points.

GREEN FRUITS—Apples, 45c@$2.25 per box; cranberries, $10@11 per barrel.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SUGAR—Fruit and berry, $8.10; Honolulu plantation, $8.05; Grants Pass beet, $7.90; California beet, $7.90; extra C, $7.70; powdered, in barrels, $8.60; cubes, in barrels, $8.85.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.40 per dozen; one-half flats, $1.50; 1-pound flats, $2.50; Alaska pinks, 1-pound talls, $1.25.

HONEY—Choice, $3@3.25 per case.

NUTS—Walnuts, sack lots, 18c; Brazil nuts, 19c; filberts, 19c; almonds, 18@19c; peanuts, 7c; cocoanuts, $1.10 per dozen; pecans, 18@19c; chestnuts, 10c.

BEANS—Oregon, small white, 9¾c; California, small white, 11¾c; large white, 11.10c; Lima, 11½c; bayous, 8.20c; pink 8⅛c; red Mexicans, 9¼c; Manchurian, 8½c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 17@35c.

SALT—Granulated, $16.75 per ton; half ground 100s, $11.30 per ton; 50s, $12.10 per ton; dairy, $14.75 per ton.

RICE—Southern head, 7@7¾c per pound; broken, 4c; Japan style, 4@4½c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 10@11c; apricots, 16@19c; peaches, 8½@10c; prunes, Italian, 8@9c; raisins, 8¾@15½c; dates, Persian, 15c per pound; fard, $2.50 per box; currants, 15@16c; figs, $2@3.50 per box.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1916 crop, 4@8c per pound, 1917 contracts, 10@11c per pound.

HIDES—Salted hides (25 lbs. and up), 18c; salted stags (50 lbs. and up), 14c; green and salted kip (15 lbs. to 25 lbs.), 18c; green and salted calf skins (up to 15 lbs.), 27@28c; green hides (25 lbs. and up), 16c; green stags (50 lbs. and up), 12c; dry hides, 30c; salt hides, 25c; dry horse hides, $1@2; salt horse hides, $3@5.

PELTS—Dry long-wooled pelts, 24c; dry short-wooled pelts, 17c; dry shearlings, 10@25c each; salted long-wooled pelts, $1@1.50; salted short-wooled pelts, 50c@$1.

TALLOW—No. 1, 8½c per pound.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, fine, 28@35c; coarse, 33@36c; Valley, 33@41c.

MOHAIR—Nominal.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 6½@7c per pound.

Provisions.

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 25c; standard, 24c; skinned, 21@22c; picnics, 16½c; cottage rolls, 19c.

LARD—Tierce basis, kettle rendered, 19c; standard pure, 18½c; compound, 16c.

BACON—Fancy, 31@33c; standard, 27@28c; choice, 22@26c.

DRY SALT—Short, clear backs, 19@21c; export, 20½@22c; plate, 16@17½c.

Oils.

KEROSENE—Water white, drums, barrels or tank wagons, 10c; cases, 18½@22c.

GASOLINE—Bulk, 21½c; cases, 30c; naphtha, drums, 19½c; cases, 30c; engine distillate, drums, 10½c; cases, 19c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, $1.08; cases, $1.15; boiled, barrels, $1.10; cases, $1.17.

TURPENTINE—In tanks, 67c; in cases, 74c; 10-case lots, 1c less.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

Prices Current on Butter, Eggs, Fruits, Vegetables, Etc., at Bay City.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Butter—Fresh extras, 36½c; prime firsts, 33c; fresh firsts, 34½c.

Eggs—Fresh extras, 32c; pullets, 28½c.

Cheese—New, 21c; Young Americas, 21½c.

Poultry—Hens, 24@25c; old roosters, 15@16c; fryers, 26@27c; broilers, 30@33c; large, 28@30c; squabs, $2.75@3.00; pigeons, $1.75@2.25; ducks, 18@20c; geese, 18@20c; turkeys, 23@24c.

Vegetables—Lettuce, southern, iced, $1.50@1.75; uniced, 75c@$1.25; peas, southern fancy, large, 10@12c; small, 8@9c; tomatoes, Mexican, repacked, $3.00@3.25; eggplant, nominal; green peppers, Florida, 40@50c; garlic, 3@4c; sweet potatoes, $3.25; celery, $3.00; rhubarb, $1.25@2.00; marrowfat and hubbard squash, 2c pound.

Potatoes—Rivers, $3.90@4.

Onions—$12.50 per sack.

Fruit—Pears, Winter Nellis, $2.50@3.00; lemons, $3.25@3.50; grapefruit, $2.25@2.50; oranges, navels, $2.35@2.75; bananas, $1@1.50; pineapples, $2@2.50; apples, Newtown Pippins, $1.10@1.25; Bellefleur, 65@75c.

Feedstuffs—Cracked corn and feed corn meal, $48.50@49.50; rolled barley, $45@47; meal, alfalfa, $20.50, carload lots; less, $21.50.

Receipts—Flour, 3000 quarters; barley, 1220 centals; beans, 2297 sacks; potatoes, 1940 sacks; onions, 5 sacks; hay, 163 tons; hides, 395; wine, 66,100 gallons.

Drain Cannery Elects Officers.

DRAIN, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—At the regular annual meeting held here of stockholders of the Drain Fruit and Produce Association, J. T. Redford was elected president, C. E. Hazard vice-president, W. B. Cool secretary and C. M. Rush manager. Farmers received 2 1-3 cents a pound for their beans and 2½ cents a pound for evergreen blackberries this year.

Manager Rush says prices will be considerably better this year. He expects to enlarge the cannery and can a greater variety of vegetables and fruit.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Copper, firm. Electrolytic, spot and nearby, nominal; second quarter, 33@35c; third quarter, 31@32c.

Iron, steady and unchanged.

Metal Exchange quotes tin quiet. Spot, 48.50@49.50c.

At London—Spot copper, £139; futures, £136 10s; electrolytic, £150; spot tin, £194 10s; futures, £194 10s.

The Metal Exchange quotes lead strong, 11.50c.

Spelter, firm. Spot, East St. Louis delivery, 10½@10¾c.

At London—Lead, £30 10s; spelter, £47.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 20.—Turpentine, quiet, 48½c; sales, none; receipts, 36 barrels; shipments, none; in stock, 14,275 barrels.

Rosin, firm; sales, 617 barrels; receipts, 802 barrels; shipments, none; in stock, 82,176 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, $6; H, I, K, M, $6.20; N, $6.35; WG, $6.45; WW, $6.70.

Hops, Etc., at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Hops quiet. Hides, firm. Wool, steady.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Evaporated apples, dull. Prunes, nervous. Peaches, firm.

MARKET IS BROADER

Wall-Street Traders Operate With Greater Confidence.

SPECIALTIES IN DEMAND

All Copper Issues Are Active at Higher Prices—Gains in Rails Confined to Coalers and Minor Lines.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The market today gave unmistakable evidence of a disposition to shove off the apathy and timidity which have been its chief characteristics ever since the early part of the year. Stocks of almost all descriptions were taken with apparent freedom and confidence, rails and shippings alone showing comparative backwardness.

Commission-houses reported a moderate revival of public interest, but a very large proportion of the turnover, which amounted to 620,000 shares, resulted from further covering by an over-extended short interest.

United States Steel and other favorites furnished the basis for much of the day's business. Coppers were next in point of demand, virtually every issue of that division gaining 1 to 3 points, Utah and Smelting being steadily absorbed. Affiliated shares, such as the zinc issues and National Lead, also reflected the higher prices prevailing for those products.

Aside from Atlantic Coast Line, which rose 3 points, advances in rails were mainly limited to coalers and minor issues.

International bonds were irregular on further heaviness in United Kingdom issues. Total sales, par value, $2,755,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing bid.
Am Beet Sugar	33,000	89½	88⅛	89¼
American Can	36,000	45⅛	44	44¾
Am Car & F	13,000	65	63⅞	65⅛
Am. Loco	95,000	73½	71⅞	72
Am Sm & Ref	190,000	102½	98½	101½
Am Sugar Refg	69,000	114⅞	113½	113½
Am Tel & Tel	5,000	126	125⅝	125⅛
Am Zinc, L & S	20,000	39	37⅝	38⅝
Anaconda Cop	225,000	80	78	79⅝
Atchison	10,000	103½	103	103
Baldwin Loco	60,000	55⅛	53¼	55
Balt & Ohio	7,600	77	76⅝	77
Brook Rap T	5,000	68¼	68⅛	68
Butte and S Cop	9,000	48⅝	47⅞	47⅝
Cal Petroleum	11,000	25⅝	25	25⅛
Canadian Pac	9,000	155⅝	153¾	155
Central Leather	259,000	88½	86⅝	87¾
Ches & Ohio	17,000	59⅞	59⅛	59½
C M & St. Paul	10,000	81½	80⅝	81
Chicago & North	4,000	121	120¼	120½
Chi R I & P R	.....	.....	.....	27
Chino Copper	62,000	56½	55¼	56⅝
Col Fuel & Iron	34,000	48½	47¼	48½
Corn Pro Ref	60,000	22⅝	22	22⅝
Crucible Steel	199,000	68	66⅝	67⅝
Distiller's Sec	18,000	27¼	26⅝	26⅝
Erie	40,000	27⅛	26⅝	27
General Elec	11,000	167	164½	166
Great North Pfd	4,000	114	113⅝	113⅜
G N Ore Ctfs	17,000	33⅛	33	33⅝
Illinois Central	.....	.....	.....	101
Inter Con Corp	600	13⅞	13⅝	13¼
Inspiration Cop	209,000	58⅝	57⅛	58½
Inter Harv N J	.....	.....	.....	117½
I M M pfd ctfs	170,000	72⅞	71	72½
Kan City South	.....	.....	.....	22
Kennecott Cop	4,000	45⅛	44⅝	45⅝
Louis & Nash	.....	.....	.....	127
Mex Petroleum	89,000	90¼	88⅝	90
Miami Copper	22,000	39	38⅜	38⅝
M, K & Tex pfd	.....	.....	.....	16
Missouri Pacific	.....	.....	.....	29½
Montana Power	.....	.....	.....	100
National Lead	11,000	58⅛	56⅝	58
Nevada Copper	.....	.....	.....	25
New York Cen	29,000	96	95⅛	95⅝
N Y N H & Hart	99,000	41½	39	40⅝
Norfolk & West	9,000	129⅝	129¼	129½
Northern Pacific	10,000	104⅛	103⅝	103⅝
Pacific Mail	3,000	23⅛	23	21
Pennsylvania	17,000	54⅝	54⅝	54⅝
Ray Con Cop	89,000	27⅜	26⅝	27½
Reading	72,000	93½	92	93½
Rep Irn & Steel	118,000	79⅞	78⅝	79⅝
Shat Ariz Cop	31,000	27⅞	27½	27⅝
Southern Pac	10,000	94½	93⅝	94½
Southern Rail	47,000	29⅛	28⅝	29
Studebaker Co	37,000	104½	102½	103⅝
Texas Company	43,000	234	229½	232
Union Pacific	38,000	138⅝	138	138⅝
Union Pac pfd	.....	.....	.....	83⅝
U S Ind Alcohol	180,000	130	126½	129
U S Steel	19,420	109⅛	107⅛	109⅝
U S Steel pfd	12,000	118⅛	117⅞	118
Utah Copper	289,000	112½	109⅛	112½
Wabash pfd. B	10,000	25⅞	25½	25½
Western Union	2,000	94	94	94
Westing Elec	185,000	51	50⅛	50⅝

Total sales for the day, 620,000 shares.

BONDS.

U S ref 2s reg.	*99	No Pac 3s	68
U S ref 2s cou.	*99	Pac T & T 5s	100⅝
U S 3s reg.	*100	Penn con 4½s	105⅛
U S 3s cou.	*100½	So Pac ref 4s	92
U S 4s reg.	*107½	Union Pac 4s	97¼
U S 4s cou.	*109	Union Pac cv 4s	98
Atchison gen 4s	94¾	U S Steel 5s	106⅛
N Y C deb 6s	109	So Pac cv 5s	100⅞
No Pac 4s	94⅝	Anglo-French 5s	92½

Boston Mining Stocks.

Allouez	66½	No Butte	22¾
Ariz Com	13½	Old Dom	64
Cal & Ariz	82¼	Osceola	87
Cal & Hecla	560	Quincy	93
Centennial	21	Shannon	9¼
Cop Range	65½	Superior	14½
East Butte	14½	Sup & Boston	6¼
Franklin	8	Tamarack	56⅝
Isle Royale	34	Utah Con	21
Lake Copper	14	Winona	4¼
Mohawk	83	Wolverine	49½

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Mercantile paper, 4@4¼ per cent.

Sterling—60-day bills, $4.72; commercial 60-day bills on banks, $4.72; commercial 60-day bills, $4.71¾; demand, $4.75⅝; cables, $4.76 7-16; francs, demand, 5.85c; cables, 5.84c; marks, demand, 70c; cables, 70⅛c; kronen, demand, 11 11-16c; cables, 11¾c; guilders, demand, 40 9-16c; cables, 40⅝c; lires, demand, 7.30c; cables, 7.29c; rubles, demand, 28⅝c; cables, 28⅞c.

Bar silver, 78½c.

Mexican dollars, 60⅝c.

Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, irregular.

Time loans, firm; 60 and 90 days, 3¾@4 per cent; six months, 4@4¼ per cent.

Call money, steady; high, 2½ per cent; low, 2 per cent; ruling rate, 2½ per cent; last loan, 2¼ per cent; closing bid, 2 per cent; offered at 2¼ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Sterling, $4.70½; demand, $4.75⅝; cables, $4.76½; Mexican dollars, 59.60c.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Bar silver, 38d per ounce; money, 4½ per cent; discount rates, short bills, 2½ per cent; three months, 5½ per cent.

ALL LINES ARE STEADY

HOGS HOLD THEIR OWN AT NORTH PORTLAND.

Sheep Receipts for First Time in Over Year Register Increase—Cattle Trade Quiet.

The second day of the week found the local livestock market in the same firm position as the opening. Eight loads of hogs made up the larger part of the arrivals. As was the case Monday, the bulk of these sold around $12.35 for average packing weights. Trading in the cattle division was light. No sheep were received, but total receipts for the month to date register an increase for the first time in over a year. The total for the first 19 days was 6314 head against 4068 head a year ago.

Receipts were 4 cattle, 3 calves and 956 hogs. Shippers were: A. R. Cook, Ballaston, 1 car cattle, hogs; E. H. Myers, Fresno, Tipton, Tulare, 5 cars; George Harriger, Rocklin, 1 car hogs; J. Jensen, Eugene, 1 car cattle, calves, hogs.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
7 hogs	276	$12.35	6 hogs	369	$11.60
1 hog	480	11.35	2 hogs	105	11.00
35 hogs	93	11.00	2 hogs	160	11.50
5 hogs	220	12.35	4 hogs	218	12.35
18 hogs	235	12.35	6 hogs	185	12.35
2 hogs	370	11.35	1 hog	370	11.00
25 hogs	106	11.00	142 hogs	169	11.00
12 hogs	109	11.00	1 cow	750	5.75
35 hogs	153	12.00	1 cow	790	5.75
56 hogs	175	12.35	1 cow	820	7.00
11 hogs	160	11.25	1 cow	960	6.50
5 hogs	265	11.35	1 bull	790	6.00
6 hogs	265	11.25	1 calf	790	6.00
158 hogs	99	10.50	2 calves	370	6.25

Prices current at the local yards were as follows:

	Price.
Cattle—	
Steers, prime	$ 9.25@ 9.60
Steers, fair to good	8.25@ 9.25
Steers, medium	8.00@ 8.25
Cows, choice	7.75@ 8.00
Cows, medium to good	7.00@ 7.75
Cows, ordinary to fair	6.50@ 7.00
Heifers	6.50@ 8.25
Bulls	4.50@ 7.00
Calves	5.00@10.00
Hogs—	
Light and heavy packing	12.20@12.60
Rough heavies	11.00@11.35
Pigs and skips	11.00@11.50
Stock hogs	10.50@11.00
Sheep—	
Yearling wethers	10.25@10.75
Ewes	8.75@ 9.75
Lambs	11.25@13.00

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Feb. 20.—Hogs—Receipts, 21,000; higher. Heavy, $12.15@12.40; light, $11.90@12.30; pigs, $10.50@11.50; bulk of sales, $12.10@12.30.

Cattle—Receipts, 7000; steady. Native steers, $8.25@11.25; cows and heifers, $7.25@9.25; Western steers, $7.50@10.50; Texas steers, $7.00@8.25; stockers and feeders, $6.50@10.00.

Sheep—Receipts, 13,000; steady. Yearlings, $11.50@13.50; wethers, $10.50@11.50; lambs, $13.65@14.50.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20. — Hogs — Receipts, 26,000; strong, 15 to 20c above yesterday's average. Bulk of sales, $12.45@12.60; light, $11.90@12.55; mixed, $12.25@12.70; rough, $12.25@12.35; pigs, $9.30@10.75.

Cattle—Receipts, 8000; weak. Native beef cattle, $7.75@11.75; stockers and feeders, $6.15@9.00; cows and heifers, $5.10@10.15; calves, $9.25@13.25.

Sheep—Receipts, 17,000; weak. Wethers, $10.85@11.90; lambs, $12.25@14.60.

Record Hog Price at Sioux City.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Feb. 20.—Hogs sold at $12.45 a hundred on the Sioux City market today, breaking all records for the market.

Coffee Futures Less Active.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The market for coffee futures was much less active after the heavy liquidation of yesterday, and fluctuations were irregular. The opening was unchanged to 3 points lower. There was considerable scattered covering, and after selling at 8.19c May rallied to 8.22c, while September sold up from 8.40 to 8.43c. The close was net 1 point lower to 3 points higher. Sales, 46,000 bags. February and March, 8.01c; April, 8.10c; May, 8.20c; June, 8.26c; July, 8.32c; August, 8.37c; September, 8.41c; October, 8.45c; November, 8.49c; December, 8.54c; January, 8.57c.

Spot dull; Rio 7s, 10c; Santos 4s, 10½c. While considerable ocean freight room is now said to be available, few fresh offers were reported in the cost and freight markets, and quotations for Santos 4s were said to range from about 9¾ to 10c, London credits.

The official cables reported no change in Brazilian markets except Santos futures, which were unchanged to 25 reis lower. Santos cleared 189,000 bags for New York, including 135,000 on one steamer.

Stocks Higher at London.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—American securities were fractionally higher on the stock exchange today.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Butter unchanged. Eggs, higher. Receipts 2563 cases. Firsts, 41¼@41½c; ordinary firsts, 39@40c; at mark, cases included, 39½@41c.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, Feb. 20.—Linseed—On track, $2.81@2.81½; to arrive, $2.81; May, $2.83 bid; July, $2.83 bid.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Raw sugar easy. Centrifugal, 5.52c; molasses, 4.65c. Refined, steady. Fine granulated, 7.25@7.50c.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Spot cotton quiet. Middling uplands, 16.30c.

RABIES ORDER IS ISSUED

Quarantine Laid in 20 Counties of Washington.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 20.—By an order of H. T. Graves, of Olympia, acting State Commissioner of Agriculture, 20 counties of Eastern Washington have been placed under quarantine against rabies, and dogs running at large without muzzles will be shot on sight by Sheriffs and their deputies after Saturday.

The action follows the outbreak of rabies among coyotes and consequent infection of dogs of the Eastern counties of the state, heads of canines having been sent to the State College at Pullman and found to be infected.

The counties included in the order are Walla Walla, Garfield, Columbia, Asotin, Franklin, Benton, Spokane, Pend d'Oreille, Adams, Lincoln, Ferry, Stevens, Okanogan, Chelan, Douglas, Grant, Kittitas, Klickitat and Yakima.

PERSONAL MENTION.

H. S. Gile, of Salem, is at the Seward.

E. B. LaMont, of Forest Grove, is at the Ritz.

Frank Grant, of Marshfield, is at the Eaton.

R. Lynn is registered at the Eaton from Banks.

George Knight, of Raymond, Wash., is at the Eaton.

E. Dean Smith, of Endicott, Wash., is at the Portland.

R. J. Jenks, of Astoria, is registered at the Cornelius.

Dr. I. Inagall, of Tokyo, Japan, is at the Cornelius.

Clyde Faust, of Bend, arrived at the Carlton yesterday.

D. B. Mears is registered at the Ritz from Fort Stevens.

C. C. Gignay, of St. Louis, is registered at the Carlton.

Emanuel Kline, of Medford, is an arrival at the Carlton.

William Perry, of Gaston, is registered at the Perkins.

Charles B. Hodgkin, of Salem, is registered at the Perkins.

George Giddens, of Tillamook, is registered at the Perkins.

John Twohy, of Spokane, is registered at the Portland.

A. W. Hendricks, of Spokane, is registered at the Portland.

Jay H. Dobbin is registered at the Multnomah from Joseph.

F. E. Wray, of Silverton, is passing a few days at the Ritz.

Mrs. George Willman, of Rainier, is registered at the Cornelius.

W. H. Hyde, of Salem, is among the recent arrivals at the Ritz.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Fletcher, of McMinnville, are at the Ritz.

Frank S. Ward, of Salem, is among the arrivals at the Imperial.

Miss M. McKinley, of Gresham, is registered at the Washington.

Roy Fisher and A. Schilling, of Bend, are registered at the Carlton.

David Campbell, of Walla Walla, arrived at the Portland yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Callahan, of San Francisco, are at the Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Mason, of Tacoma, are registered at the Cornelius.

Miss Margaret Graham, of Hood River, is registered at the Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Carther are registered at the Multnomah from Spokane.

L. E. Banks, of Silverton, is at the Multnomah, where he arrived yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Morris are registered at the Eaton from Snake River, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Duncan, of Ironside, are among the arrivals at the Perkins.

George T. Baldwin, a hardware dealer of Klamath Falls, is registered at the Imperial.

Mrs. W. W. Brown and daughter are registered at the Seward from Grangeville, Idaho.

R. R. Graves, of the extension bureau of the Oregon Agricultural College, is registered at the Seward.

Senator Walter M. Pierce, of La Grande, is registered at the Seward, where he arrived yesterday from Salem.

John P. Palmer, representing the Marine News, of New York, arrived at the Multnomah yesterday after a trip to Seattle.

Phil Brownell, of Baker, and Austin Brownell, of La Grande, are registered at the Imperial, where they arrived yesterday.

EXPORT BUYING ON

Seaboard Houses Resume Operations in Middle West.

CHICAGO MARKET HIGHER

Demand Also Stimulated by Report of Starting of Large Number of Empty Cars to Relieve Grain Congestion.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Free buying on the part of houses with seaboard connections did a good deal to lift values in the wheat market today. Prices closed nervous ⅜c to 4¼c net higher, with May $1.79⅞ to $1.80, and July at $1.52⅛ to $1.52⅜. Corn finished unchanged to ⅛c up. Oats gained ⅛c to ⅜c, and provisions finished at an advance of 25c to 32c.

Reports that great numbers of empty cars had been started from the East to relieve the congestion helped materially to stimulate the demand for wheat and to give the market an upward tendency, which was at no time entirely overcome.

Snowfalls in the Southwest, where Winter wheat has had insufficient protection from cold and where also moisture has been seriously lacking, made prices for the new-crop months lag as compared with the May option.

Corn hardened with wheat.

Improved demand from the East gave independent firmness to oats. Offerings were not liberal.

High record prices for hogs brought about heavy purchasing of provisions and a corresponding jump in prices. The most urgent call was for lard, which rose to the topmost figures since the Civil War.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$1.76¼	$1.80¾	$1.76¼	$1.79¾
July	1.50½	1.52⅝	1.49½	1.52⅜
CORN.				
May	1.02⅛	1.02⅝	1.01⅝	1.02
July	1.00⅝	1.00⅝	.99⅞	1.00½
OATS.				
May	.57⅝	.57¾	.57⅝	.57¾
July	.55	.55½	.55⅛	.55⅝
MESS PORK.				
May	30.35	30.50	30.30	30.50
July	29.80	30.00	29.75	30.00
LARD.				
May	17.10	17.30	17.10	17.30
July	17.20	17.37	17.20	17.37
SHORT RIBS.				
May	16.20	16.25	16.07	16.25
July	16.25	16.32	16.17	16.32

Cash prices were:

Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.82; No. 3 red, $1.76@1.79½; No. 2 hard, $1.84½@1.86½; No. 3 hard, $1.80¾.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, $1.02¼; No. 4 yellow, 98c@$1.00¾; No. 4 white, 98½@99¾c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 58½@60c; standard, 58¾@60c.

Rye—No. 2, $1.49.

Barley—$1@1.30.

Timothy—$3.50@5.50.

Clover—$12@18.

Clearances—Wheat, 255,000 bushels; corn, 49,000 bushels; oats, 365,000 bushels; flour, 12,000 barrels.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 20.—Barley—94c@$1.23.

Wheat—May, $1.81¾@1.81⅝; July, $1.76. Cash, No. 1 hard, $1.91⅝@1.95⅝; No. 1 Northern, $1.83⅝@1.89⅝; No. 2 Northern, $1.79⅝@1.88⅝.

Flax—$2.77@2.83.

Eastern Wheat Futures.

DULUTH, Feb. 20.—Wheat closed, May $1.82⅛; July, $1.76¼.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 20.—Wheat closed, May, $1.78⅛; July, $1.76½; Oct., $1.42.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 20.—Wheat closed, May, $1.81⅝; July, $1.76; Sept., $1.45⅝.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 20.—Wheat closed, May, $1.78⅝; July, $1.48⅝; Sept., $1.36⅝.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20.—Wheat closed, May, $1.80; July, $1.49½; Sept., $1.39¼.

Grain Standard Hearing at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Grain men representing the leading markets in the Central West met here today to discuss the proposed grading of wheat by the Federal Government. Regulations concerning the moisture content of Winter Wheat were considered.

At a conference yesterday the grain men recommended that the proposed Federal grades of red Winter wheat and also Nos. 3 to 5 of hard wheat be lowered one pound a bushel for the test weight.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Spot quotations—Walla, $2.72½@2.75; red Russian, $2.72½@2.77½; Turkey red, $2.95@3; bluestem, $2.85@2.90. Feed barley, $2.20@2.22½; white oats, $1.97½@2. Bran, $28@29; middlings, $38@40; shorts, $30@31.

Callboard—Barley, May $2.22½ bid; $2.30 asked; December, $1.57½.

Puget Sound Grain Markets.

SEATTLE, Feb. 20.—Wheat—Bluestem, $1.60; turkey red, $1.61; fortyfold, $1.58; club, $1.57; fife, $1.57; red Russian, $1.56.

Barley—$39.50 per ton.

Yesterday's car receipts—Wheat 28, oats 7, corn 4, hay 50, flour 7.

TACOMA, Feb. 20.—Wheat—Bluestem, $1.58; fortyfold, $1.55; club and fife, $1.54; red Russian, $1.50.

Car receipts—Wheat 19, corn 1, oats 1, hay 1.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

Births.

YOUNG—To Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Young, 149 Jessup street, February 11, a daughter.

HEGEN—To Mr. and Mrs. Alexander G. Hegen, 839 Nelson street, February 12, a son.

FLEGEL—To Mr. and Mrs. Austin F. Flegel, 1310 East Eighteenth street, February 12, a daughter.

JOHNSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Victor H. Johnson, 6014 Forty-ninth street Southeast, February 13, a son.

GEER—To Mr. and Mrs. W. Roy Geer, 468 East Thirty-seventh street, February 15, a son.

Marriage Licenses.

SPENCER-STANIELS—Charles S. Spencer, 70 Cornell South, and Lottie Staniels, same address.

UTTER-LAUER—Benjamin E. Utter, 214 Twelfth street, and Grace Lauer, same address.

M'LEOD-LUCAS—J. C. McLeod, 6716 Forty-first avenue Southeast, and Maud Lucas, 684 East Emerson street.

LAGESON - HENDERSON — Chester C. Lageson, Oregon City, and Myrtis E. Henderson, 229 East Thirty-fifth street.

Vancouver Marriage Licenses.

GREGORY-COOPER—Willis Gregory, 69, of Yacolt, Wash., and Mrs. Mary L. Cooper, 68, of Centralia, Wash.

JENSEN-SODERHOLM—Hans C. E. Jensen, 44, of Portland, and Miss Ella Soderholm, 28, of Portland.

WHEELER-SHAYLOR—Ferd Wheeler, 34, of Astoria, Or., and Miss Sadie Shaylor, 19, of Portland.

WIEK-MONGER—Carl Wiek, 26, of Portland, and Miss Ruth Monger, 20, of Portland.

ALRIDGE-LAYTON—Bert Alridge, 22, of Portland, and Mrs. Grace Layton, 27, of Portland.

BURCH-DE LASHMUTT—George Roland Burch, legal, of Portland, and Mrs. Rose De Lashmutt, legal, of Portland.

HALE-DAVIS—Clarence R. Hale, 21, of Hood River, Or., and Miss Letha E. Dvis, 20, of Hood River, Or.

Building Permits.

DR. WATTS—Repair three-story brick ordinary warehouse, 209 Oak, between Front and First; Hudson-Gram Company, builders; $175.

F. HADDOCK—Erect one and one-half-story frame dwelling, 27 East Eighty-seventh street, corner of Burnside; builder, same; $2500.

ADOLPH GUTHNECHT—Repair two-story frame dwelling, 423 Harney avenue, between East Sixth and East Seventh; E. L. Rowland, builder; $170.

W. K. SMITH—Repair two-story brick ordinary garage, 531 Washington, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth; Portland Elevator Company, contractors; $1000.

A. E. ROY—Repair two-story frame dwelling, 482 East Fiftieth, between Tillamook and Thompson; E. S. Warner, builder; $300.

A. E. ROY—Erect one-story frame garage, 482 East Fiftieth, between Tillamook and Thompson; E. S. Warner, builder; $200.

G. AST—Erect frame garage, 1034 Mallory avenue, between Alberta and Wygant; builder, same; $125.

K. K. KAZER—Repair one-story frame dwelling, 839 Oberlin, between VanHouten and Portsmouth; George A. Kaady, builder; $30.

MORGAN-BUSHONG INVESTMENT COMPANY—Repair eight-story fireproof reinforced concrete building (office and store); Eli Smonson, builder; $85.

ALEX PANTAGES—Repair three-story fireproof steel frame theater, 131 Broadway, corner Alder; H. G. Townsend, builder; $150.

BECK INVESTMENT COMPANY—Repair three-story frame (wall paper store and rooms); East Side Carpenter Shop, builder; $100.

LILLIAN J. DE KEATER—Erect one-story frame dwelling, 494 East Forty-first North, between Thompson and Brazee; F. L. Bolen, builder; $3000.

MR. GOLDMAN, AGT.—Repair one-story brick ordinary jewelry store, 249 Morrison, between Second and Third; M. W. Lorenz, builder; $220.

JEDNOTA SAKOL — Repair one-story frame gymnasium, 584 Duke, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth; B. Hnizdo, builder; $35.

SELMA DOLTZ—Repair one-story frame dwelling, 222 North Seventy-seventh, between Holladay and Pacific; C. Spies, builder; $500.

LOUIS LARSON—Repair one-story frame dwelling, 519 Twenty-fourth North, between Reed and Nicolai; builder, C. E. Johnson; $50.

JOHN D. DORR—Repair one-story frame dwelling, 5231 Fortieth avenue Southeast, between Fifty-second and Fifty-fourth streets; Hackman, builder; $500.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Feb. 20.—Maximum temperature, 41 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees. River reading, 8 A. M., 4.8 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.6 foot rise. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), 0.36 inch. Total rainfall since September 1, 1916, 16.73 inches; normal, 30.08 inches; deficiency, 13.35 inches. Total sunshine, 10 minutes; possible, 10 hours 36 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea level) 5 P. M., 29.67 inches. Relative humidity at noon, 78 per cent.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Min. temp. 8 A. M.	Maximum temp.	Precipitation past 24 hours	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of weather.
Baker	26	30	0.00	14	SW	Cloudy
Boise	30	36	0.08	..	W	Clear
Boston	24	40	0.22	..	W	Clear
Calgary	-16	-10	0.00	..	N	Clear
Chicago	18	24	0.00	..	NE	Clear
Denver	20	44	0.00	10	SW	Cloudy
Des Moines	2	24	0.00	..	SE	Clear
Duluth	-8	8	0.00	..	NE	Clear
Eureka	38	48	0.28	..	SE	Cloudy
Galveston	58	74	0.00	..	S	Clear
Helena	-4	10	0.04	..	NW	Snow
Jacksonville	60	78	0.30	14	SW	Rain
†Juneau	16	*20	0.00	..	E	Clear
Kansas City	16	32	0.01	10	E	Clear
Los Angeles	48	54	0.56	..	SE	Rain
Marshfield	32	44	0.46	..	SW	Cloudy
Medford	30	44	0.32	..	N	Cloudy
Minneapolis	-6	12	0.00	12	SE	Cloudy
Montreal	4	22	0.00	16	NW	Pt. cloudy
New Orleans	70	82	0.08	10	SW	Clear
New York	30	42	0.08	14	NW	Clear
North Head	32	42	0.08	16	W	Cloudy
North Yakima	26	48	0.00	16	NW	Clear
Omaha	..	30	0.00	..	S	Clear
Phoenix	42	62	0.00	..	S	Cloudy
Pocatello	26	34	0.26	14	SW	Cloudy
Portland	33	41	0.36	10	S	Pt. cloudy
Roseburg	32	42	0.52	..	SW	Pt. cloudy
Sacramento	44	54	0.58	10	S	Pt. cloudy
St. Louis	26	38	0.00	14	NE	Clear
Salt Lake	32	38	0.00	30	S	Snow
San Diego	48	58	0.08	..	S	Pt. cloudy
San Francisco	48	52	0.40	..	SW	Cloudy
Seattle	34	40	0.14	14	SW	Clear
*Sitka	..	30	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Spokane	22	36	0.24	..	SW	Cloudy
Tacoma	32	40	0.10	10	SW	Pt. cloudy
Tatoosh Island	34	40	0.26	24	W	Snow
†Valdez	4	*22	0.00	..	calm	Clear
Walla Walla	36	42	0.04	18	SW	Cloudy
Washington	34	48	0.28	..	NW	Clear
Winnipeg	-28	2	0.00	..	E	Cloudy

†A. M. today; *P. M. report of preceding day.

WEATHER CODITIONS.

A portion of the disturbance yesterday over Western Washington has advanced rapidly southeastward to Western South Dakota. The barometer is now rising over the Pacific States. A weak high-pressure area overlies the Lake Region and the barometer is relatively high over Southern California. General rains have fallen in California and precipitation, mostly in the form of snow, has been general throughout the Pacific and Rocky Mountain States. Rain has also fallen in the East Gulf and Atlantic States. It is much warmer in Eastern Colorado, Eastern Wyoming, Nebraska and the Dakotas, and correspondingly colder in the Ohio Valley and Lake Region.

Conditions are favorable for occasional rain or snow Wednesday in Western Oregon and Western Washington and for generally fair weather elsewhere in this district. It will be colder in Southern Idaho.

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Occasional rain or snow, south to west winds.

Oregon and Washington—Occasional rain or snow west, probably fair east portion; south to west winds.

Idaho—Probably fair except snow southeast portion; colder south portion.

North Pacific Coast — Occasional rain, strong westerly winds.

E. A. BEALS, Forecaster.

Mad Coyote at Large.

DAVENPORT, Wash., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—The epidemic of rabies by infection of both coyotes and dogs has reached the Columbia River north of here, where serious damage was done a few nights ago by a mad coyote. Six dogs and several head of livestock were bitten and all have been killed. Bert Roberts was attacked by the coyote, but kept it at bay with a lighted lantern.

Bank Host to Farmers.

WINLOCK, Wash., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—The State Bank of Winlock entertained some 40 farmers at a joint lunch with the Winlock Citizens' Club in an effort to get co-operation from the Lewis County Commissioners for road appropriations. The club, in connection with the farmers of the St. Urban district, has already subscribed $400. H. J. Maury, who is vice-president and manager of the State Bank of Winlock, has been elected president of the Citizens' Club.

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