APPLE BUYERS BEGIN OPERATIONS EARLY

Contracting Has Started in Wenatchee Section.

FIXED PRICES ARE NAMED

Strong Market Indicated for Coming Season in Pacific Northwestern States.

Buyers are contracting for apples in the Pacific northwest at an earlier date than ever before. Fixed prices are being offered now, whereas it is usually September before definite quotations are named. The prices announced indicate a strong market during the coming season.

In the Wenatchee district the offers for Delicious range from $2.50 to $2.75, orchard run, and some contracts have been signed on this basis. For early Jonathans and Winesaps the offers are $2 for extra fancy, $1.75 for fancy and $1.25 for C grade. Offers ranging from $1.50 to $1.75, orchard run, for the entire crops of several ranches have been accepted. Among those who have signed contracts with Wenatchee growers are E. Wagner and the Cashmere Apple company. Tentative contracts have also been made, which are practically options, under the terms of which the buyer is required to fix the prices at an early date, usually some time in August. Some of the contracts contain a clause relieving the buyer from the contract in the event that cars cannot be secured for shipping the different varieties within the proper time limit.

The last car of apples in the Wenatchee district has been shipped out, billed to New York. The 760 boxes of extra fancy Winesaps in the car have a value of $4.50 to $4.75 a box at shipping point.

Fruit buyers are quoting $110 per ton for apricots in loose boxes in that section and are also offering from 8 to 10 cents for Bing cherries.

HIGHER PRICES ARE BID FOR CORN

Bulk Oats Also Advance on Local Board. Barley Is Lower.

Corn bids were advanced 50c@$1.50 at the exchange yesterday as a consequence of the higher markets east. Bulk oats were also firm and 25@50 cents higher. Offers for barley were 50@75 cents lower than on Monday.

A Chicago bulletin quotes John Inglis as saying: "It is reported from some sections in Missouri that green bugs are attacking the oats. Cool wet weather is favorable for development of the oat louse, a species of the greenbug family. I have never seen a field of oats in all my experiences that I could not find some of them. They may become epidemic or may not. Cool weather retards the development of the numerous parasites that feed on them. Warmer weather will multiply their enemies rapidly."

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Portland, Tues.	8	1	11	5	----
Year ago	----	3	7	3	6
Season to date	7410	1093	2708	742	3156
Year ago	3786	477	1290	1512	2556
Tacoma, Mon.	10	----	----	1	----
Year ago	2	----	----	----	----
Season to date	5380	45	----	196	1215
Year ago	5537	94	----	296	1654
Seattle, Mon.	2	----	10	----	1
Year ago	4	----	6	----	----
Season to date	5343	97	1859	597	2556
Year ago	4810	331	1672	1096	3093

CUBE BUTTER MARKET IS STEADIER

Proposed Decline in Prints Goes Over for Present.

The cube butter market was steadier yesterday though some buyers were disposed to hold back and await developments. Prices on actual sales ranged from 58 to 59 cents. Talk was heard of a probable decline in prints, but this seems to have been postponed for the time being. Street stocks were large, 1644 cubes and 375 boxes, but they include about 10,000 pounds of butter sold and not yet delivered. Storage holdings increased 1438 pounds to a total of 560,072 pounds. Receipts on Monday were:

	Pounds.
California	7,241
Idaho	637
Oregon	15,913
Washington	680
Total	24,571

Cheese receipts on Monday were 34,417 pounds from Oregon, 2120 from Washington and 316 from California.

SUPPLY OF STRAWBERRIES LARGER

Demand Is Good but Heavy Receipts Weaken Prices.

There was a good demand for strawberries but the supply on hand was large and the market had a weak tone. Fruit from close-in districts sold mostly at $3.50@3.75 and Springbrooks at $3.50@4.25. Hood River berries held at $5@5.25, but buyers were slow to take hold of them, owing to the high price. Californias are cleaning up and few more of them will be received.

Cantaloupes declined but are still very high in price. Standards sold at $12, ponies at $11 and flats at $4.50.

Fish Holdings Largely Increased.

The monthly report of the bureau of markets shows storage holdings of fish on May 15, 1919, as follows: The 175 storages that reported showed total stocks of 37,231,194 pounds of frozen fish; 24,831,986 pounds of cured herring and 4,092,827 pounds of mild cured salmon. The 171 storages reporting for May 15, this year and last, show present holdings of 37,053,699 pounds of frozen fish; 24,805,786 pounds of cured herring and 4,086,082 pounds of mild cured salmon, as compared with last year's stocks of 31,084,288 pounds of frozen fish, 12,773,838 pounds of cured herring and 1,761,573 pounds of mild cured salmon. This represents an increase of 19.3 per cent for frozen fish, 94.2 per cent for cured herring and 132 per cent for mild cured salmon, a total increase of 20,358,268 pounds, or 44.6 per cent.

Wheat Exporting on Larger Scale.

Wheat shipments for the past and former weeks were:

	W'k end'g May 24.	W'k end'g May 17.	W'k end'g May 25, '18.
U. S.-Canada	14,614,000	13,146,000	4,030,000
Argentina	2,443,000	2,185,000	1,232,000
Australia	2,672,000	2,700,000	640,000
India	.....	.....	240,000
Totals	19,729,000	18,031,000	6,142,000

Shipments for the season to date compare as follows:

	Total since July 1, '18.	Same period Last season.
U. S. and Canada	312,994,000	230,328,000
Argentina	77,011,000	42,422,000
Australia	56,132,000	37,035,000
India	5,461,000	14,246,000
Totals	452,198,000	324,031,000

Large Gain in Storage Stocks.

There is 68 per cent more butter in storage in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming than a year ago. The holdings of eggs are 10.5 per cent greater. Stocks of butter (pounds) and eggs (cases) on hand on May 15 of this year and last compare as follows:

	1919.	1918.
Creamery butter	452,490	269,034
Case eggs	94,082	85,949

Two Cars of Eggs Stored.

The larger egg buyers offered shippers prices ranging from 44c to 45c, delivered. About two carloads went into storage. Street stocks were 3423 cases, against 3297 cases a week ago. Receipts were 947 cases from Oregon, 34 from Washington and 7 from Idaho.

Old Potato Trade Slow.

There was only a moderate demand for old potatoes on the local market with jobbers asking $1.60@1.75. New Californias were steady at 8@9 cents and will be more active when the price declines.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$4,362,613	$ 923,494
Seattle	7,422,679	1,317,794
Tacoma	811,531	208,264
Spokane	1,334,731	334,006

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session.

	—Bid— May.	June.	July.
Oats, No. 2 white feed	$52.00	$52.00	$52.00
Barley, standard feed	53.00	52.25	52.00
Barley, standard "A"	54.00	53.50	53.00
Eastern oats and corn, bulk:			
Oats, No. 3 white	49.75	50.00	49.50
38-lb. clipped white	50.25	50.25	50.00
Corn, No. 3 yellow	68.50	68.50	68.00
Corn, No. 3 mixed	68.50	68.00	67.50

WHEAT—Government basis, $2.20 per bushel.

FLOUR—Patents, $11.45 delivered, $11.50 at mill; bakers', $11.15@11.30; whole wheat, $10.25@10.40; graham, $10.05@10.20.

MILLFEED—Mill run f. o. b. mill, carlots, $37@38 per ton, mixed cars, $37.50@38.50; ton lots or over, $39@40; less than ton, $40@41; rolled barley, $60@62; rolled oats, $61; ground barley, $60.

CORN—Whole, ton, $75; cracked, $77 per ton.

HAY—Buying prices f. o. b. Portland; Eastern Oregon timothy, $36@37 per ton; alfalfa, $28; valley grain hay, $26@28; clover, $26@28.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Cubes, 92-score, 59c; 91-score, 58½c; 90-score, 58c; prints, parchment wrappers, box lots, 60c; cartons, 61c; half boxes, ¼c more; less than half boxes, 1c more; butterfat, No. 1, 59@60c per pound, station.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, case count, 45c; candled, 46c; selects, 48c.

CHEESE—Tillamook, f. o. b. Tillamook: Triplets, 34c; Young Americas, 35c; Cows and Curry, f. o. b. Myrtle Point, triplets, 33½c; Young Americas, 34½c; longhorns, 34½c.

POULTRY—Hens, 35c; broilers, 32@35c; geese and live turkeys, nominal; dressed turkeys, 40@45c.

VEAL—Fancy, 19c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 26c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

FRUITS—Oranges, $4@6.25; lemons, $3.75@6 per box; bananas, 8½@9c per pound; apples, $4@5.50 per box; grapefruit, $4@4.25; strawberries, $2.50@5.25; cherries, $2.50 per box, 17½@20c per pound; cantaloupes, $4.50@12 per crate.

VEGETABLES—Cabbage, $3.50@5.50 per 100 lbs.; lettuce, $2.25@2.50 per crate; peppers, 30c per pound; artichokes, 90c; cauliflower, $3.25; beets, $2.50 per sack; carrots, $3.50 per sack; turnips, $2.25@3.50 per sack; cucumbers, $1.50@2.25 per dozen; tomatoes, $3.50@4.50 box; spinach, 8c per lb.; peas, 12½@15c per pound; rhubarb, $2.25@2.75 per box; asparagus, $2@2.25 per crate.

POTATOES—Oregon Burbanks, best $1.60@1.75; new California, 8@9c per pound.

ONIONS—Brown, $3.75 per crate; white, $4.75 per crate; red, 5½c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SUGAR—Sack basis. Fruit and berry, $9.55; beet, $9.45; Honolulu cane, $9.50; extra C, $9.15; powdered in barrels, $10.25; cubes in barrels, $10.45.

NUTS—Walnuts, 27@35c; Brazil nuts, 35c; filberts, 28c; almonds, 24@30c; peanuts, 11@15c.

SALT—Half-ground 100s, $16 per ton; 50s, $17.25 per ton; dairy, $25 per ton.

RICE—Japan style, 9¾c; blue rose, 10c; head, 12c per pound.

BEANS—Buying price, large white, 5c per pound; red, 4c per pound.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 30@46c.

Provisions.

Local jobbing quotations:

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 41½@42c; standard, 41c; skinned, 35@36c; picnic, 29c; cottage roll, 26c.

LARD—Tierce basis, 35c; compound, 26¾c per pound.

DRY SALT—Short, clear backs, 29@34c; plates, 26@28c; exports, 31c.

BACON—Fancy, 55@56c; standard, 46@49c; choice, 37@42c.

Hops, Mohair, Etc.

HOPS—Oregon, 1918, crop, 45c; 1917 crop, 27@35c; 1916 crop, 15@17c per pound; three-year contracts, 30c, 28c, 25c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon and Washington, 40@57c per pound; valley, 30@50c per pound.

MOHAIR—1918 clip, 55c per pound.

TALLOW—No. 1, 8½c per pound; No. 2, 6½c per pound; grease, No. 1, 6½c; No. 2, 5½c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—New, 10c per pound.

GRAIN BAGS—In carlots, 13c.

Hides and Pelts.

HIDES—No. 1 salt-cured hides, 30 lbs. and up, 20c; No. 1 part-cured hides, 30 lbs. and up, 18½c; No. 1 green hides, 30 lbs and up, 17c; No. 1 salt-cured bull hides, 50 lbs. and up, 14c; No. 1 part-cured bull hides, 50 lbs. and up, 11c. The price on No. 2 hides will be 1c per pound less than on No. 1. No. 1 calf skins, up to 15 lbs., 45c; No. 2 calf skins, up to 15 lbs., 43c; No. 1 kip skins, 15 to 25 lbs., 25c; No. 2 kip skins, 15 to 25 lbs., 23c; dry flint hides, 7 lbs. and up, 30c; dry flint calf hides, under 7 lbs., 40c; dry salt hides, 7 lbs. and up, 24c; dry salt calf hides, under 7 lbs., 34c; dry flint stag or bull hides, 20c; dry salt bull hides, 14c; dry bull hides and skins, half price; dry horse hides, according to size and quality, each, $1.50@$3; salt horse hides, skinned to hoof and head on, $3@6; horse hides with heads off, 50c less.

PELTS—Dry long-wool sheep pelts, per lb., 25@35c; dry medium wool sheep pelts, per lb., 20@30c; dry shearling sheep pelts, each 50@75c; salted long wool sheep pelts, each, $2@5; salted medium wool sheep pelts, each, $1@2; salted shearling sheep pelts, each, 50@75c.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

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

SAN FRANCISCO, May 27.—Butter, 59½c.

Eggs—Fresh extras, 50½c; first, 50¼c; fresh extra pullets, 48c.

Cheese—New firsts, 30c; young Americas, 34c.

Poultry—Hens, 36@38c; roosters, young, 45@50c; old, 20@24c; fryers, 40@42c; broilers, 34@38c; for small, 36@38c; large size, 35@38c lb; squabs, $3@3.50 dozen; pigeons, $2.25@3.

Vegetables—Asparagus, graded, 8@9c lb; egg plant, 20@25c lb; peppers, bell, 20@30c lb large, and 15c for small; chile, 23@35c; summer squash, 85c@$1 crate or box; tomatoes, $4@4.50 crate, No. 1 Mexican; lettuce, 75c@$1.25 crate; potatoes, new, $4@5 cental; sweet, $6@6.50; onions, Bermuda, $3.75@4; crystal wax and yellow, $3.50@3.75 crate; green, $1.75@2 box; rhubarb and strawberries, $1.35@1.75 box; bay No. 1, 5½@6c lb; do, No. 2, 4@5c; do, Half Moon Bay, 7½@8c; cucumbers, $2@2.25 box; spinach, 75c@$1.25 crate, string beans, Kentucky Wonder, 13@15c lb; wax, 12@13c; pole, 12@13c; carrots, $4@4.50 sk; green okra, 20@25c lb; green corn, 20@25c dozen.

Fruit—Lemons, $3.50@4.50 box; Valencia oranges, $4.75@5; grapefruit, $3.50@4.50 box, fancy; tangerines, $2.50@3.50 box; bananas, 7@8c per lb; pineapples, $3@4 dozen, small, $5@6 large; apples, Newtown pippins, $3.25@4 box; loquats, 6@8c lb; peaches, $2@2.25 crate; figs, $2@2.25 box for Mission and Brunswick; white, $1.75@2; strawberries, $10@14 according grade; crated berries, $2@2.25 crate; raspberries, $3 crate; blackberries, $2.50@3 crate; cherries, bulk, black, 10@12½c lb; white, 7@9c; apricots, $5@8.50 crate; gooseberries, $8@10 chest; cantaloupes, standard crate, $8@8.50.

Receipts: Flour, 4846 quarters; barley, 5583 centals; beans, 1300 sacks; potatoes, 817 sacks; onions, 567 sacks; hay, 20 tons; hides, 1093; wine, 17,800 gallons.

PERMITS WILL GOVERN GRAIN

Permit System Believed Only Solution of Problem Confronting Roads.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Permits for the shipment of grain from interior markets will be used by the railroad administration this year to control the movement of the mammoth harvest which is just beginning.

Problems involved in the transportation of 1,200,000,000 bushels of wheat, the yield estimated by the department of agriculture, have been under consideration for weeks by Director-General Hines.

It was apparent that unless some method of restriction was devised, congestion which might paralyze the nation's transportation facilities was possible when the farmers, eager to market their wheat as quickly as possible under the standard price guarantee, began to pour the crop into the arteries of trade. After consultation with leading grain men in the west and officials of the food administration's grain corporation, the director-general decided that a permit system similar to that in effect during the freight congestion of last year would be the best solution of the problem.

Machinery for the operation of the system is being worked out at the railroad administration. Grain control committees will be constituted at each market and perhaps shipping zones established. Although the harvest already has started on the southern edge of the wheat belt, the system will not be needed or put into use until threshing begins late next month in the middle west.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, May 27.—Evaporated apples, firm; prunes, quiet; apricots and peaches, firm.

YARD MARKET IS STEADY

TRADING FAIRLY ACTIVE AT NORTH PORTLAND.

Cattle and Sheep Moving at Lately Reduced Quotations—Hogs Are Unchanged.

There was no important change in the livestock situation yesterday. There was a light run of 12 carloads, and with the stock held over from Monday there was a fairly active market. Prices were unchanged for the day. Cattle and sheep were considered steady at the previous day's declines and hogs were also steady with few sales.

Receipts were 298 cattle, 10 calves, 52 hogs and 134 sheep.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
5 calves	176	$13.00	2 ewes	135	$ 3.50
1 calf	160	10.00	16 lambs	74	15.00
2 calves	290	10.00	31 lambs	65	15.00
20 steers	1285	10.75	20 lambs	61	15.00
8 steers	925	10.25	2 lambs	60	12.00
13 cows	1130	9.50	5 lambs	62	12.00
20 steers	904	9.00	138 wethers	102	9.50
8 steers	931	9.00	107 wethers	111	9.50
11 steers	867	9.00	10 wethers	92	9.00
5 cows	976	9.00	71 wethers	69	7.40
1 cow	810	7.75	7 hogs	210	19.75
1 cow	880	7.50	7 hogs	184	19.75
12 mixed	450	7.00	7 hogs	200	19.75
2 mixed	585	7.00	5 hogs	210	19.75
1 bull	410	6.50	1 hog	310	16.00
7 cows	873	6.50	1 hog	240	18.25
5 cows	926	6.00	3 hogs	366	18.00
1 cow	860	5.00	7 hogs	128	17.75
1 cow	610	5.00	7 hogs	116	17.50
1 cow	940	4.00	1 hog	240	20.00
24 ewes	76	8.00	4 hogs	210	19.75
13 ewes	1002	8.50	2 hogs	220	19.75
1 ewe	160	8.00	3 hogs	266	19.75
22 lambs	60	15.00	1 hog	150	19.50

Prices quoted at the local yards follow:

Cattle—	
Best steers	$13.00@13.50
Good to choice steers	11.00@11.50
Medium to choice steers	10.00@11.00
Fair to good steers	8.75@ 9.75
Common to fair steers	7.75@ 8.75
Good to choice cows, heifers	10.00@11.50
Medium to good cows, heifers	6.50@ 7.50
Fair to medium cows, heifers	4.50@ 5.50
Canners	3.00@ 4.00
Bulls	6.00@ 8.50
Calves	9.00@13.00
Stockers and feeders	7.00@10.00
Hogs—	
Prime mixed	19.50@19.85
Medium mixed	19.00@19.50
Prime mixed	19.75@20.00
Medium mixed	19.50@19.75
Rough heavies	18.00@18.75
Pigs	17.75@18.25
Sheep—	
Prime spring lambs	14.00@15.00
Fair to medium lambs	12.50@13.25
Yearlings	9.00@ 9.50
Wethers	8.00@ 8.50
Ewes	6.00@ 8.00

STATE ORIGINS OF LIVESTOCK LOADED

Shipments to the Leading Markets of the Pacific Northwest.

State origins of livestock loaded May 26, 1919:

For Portland—

	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.	Mules.	Mixed Stock.
Oregon	15	4	8	----	----	----	3
Weew ago	17	----	3	9	----	----	3
Other W'ks ago	20	8	2	----	----	----	4
Year ago	7	2	4	----	----	----	----
For other markets—							
For Seattle	11	3	10	----	----	----	3
For Spokane	7	1	----	----	----	----	----
Totals U. S.	3161	2425	573	73	660		
Week ago	3520	2698	386	57	616		
Four w'ks ago	3674	2343	774	122	749		
Year ago	2679	1951	507	112	543		

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, May 27.—(United States bureau of markets.)—Hogs—Receipts, 35,000, mostly 20c to 25c lower than yesterday's average. Top, $20.25; bulk, $19.90@20.15; heavyweight, $20@20.15; medium weight, $19.95@20.25; light weight, $19.60@20.25; light light, $18.75@19.95; heavy packing sows, smooth, $19.25@19.50; packing sows, rough, $18.75@19.25; pigs, $18@18.75.

Cattle—Receipts, 14,000, market opening slow. Early sales of beef and butcher stock steady with yesterday's low time; bulls, lower; calves, 25c higher; stockers steady. Beef steers, medium and heavyweight, choice and prime, $15.90@18; medium and good, $13.25@16; common, $11.50@13.50; light weight, good and choice, $13.75@16.25; common and medium, $10.50@14; butcher cattle, heifers, $8.25@14.75; cows, $8.15@14.50; canners and cutters, $6.50@8.15; veal calves, light and heavyweight, $15@16.75; feeder steers, $10.25@14.50; stocker steers, $9.75@12.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 14,000, market strong to 25c higher. Lambs, 84 pounds down, $13.75@15.60; 85 pounds up, $13.25@15.50; culls and common, $9.50@13.25; springs, $17.50@19.50; yearling wethers, $11.40@13.50; ewes, medium, good and choice, $10@11; culls and common, $4.50@9.75.

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, May 27.—(United States bureau of markets.)—Hogs—Receipts, 17,500, market generally 25@50c lower. Top, $20; bulk, $19.75@19.90; heavyweight, $19.85@20; medium weight, $19.80@19.90; lightweight, $19.65@19.85; light light, $19.25@19.65; heavy packing sows, smooth, $19.65@19.85; packing sows, rough, $19.50@19.75; pigs, medium, $18@19.25.

Cattle—Receipts, 7800, market beef cattle slow, fully 25c lower. Veal, steady; Stockers and feeders, weak. Beef steers, medium and heavyweight, choice and prime, $15@17; medium and good, $12.75@15.50; common, $11@13.25; lightweight, good and choice, $13@15; common and medium, $9.45@13.25; light butcher cattle, heifers, $8@13.50; cows, $7.25@15.25; canners and cutters, cows and heifers, $5.50@7.25; veal calves, light and handy weight, $12@14; feeder steers, $11@14.50; stocker steers, $8@13; stocker calves, $8@12.

Sheep—Receipts, 900, market generally 10c lower. Lambs, 84 pounds down, $13.75@14.35; lambs, 85 pounds up, $12.75@13.90; lambs, culls and common, $9@13; spring lambs, medium, $14.50@18.65; yearling wethers, $12@13; ewes, $9.75@10.35; ewes, culls and common, $6@9.75.

Seattle Livestock Market.

SEATTLE, May 27.—Hogs—Receipts, 270. Steady, but sluggish. Prime, $20.50@20.60; medium to choice, $20.25@20.40; rough heavies, $18.25@18.75; pigs, $18.25@18.75; pigs, $18.25@19.75.

Cattle—Receipts, 509. Weak. Best steers, $11.50@13.50; medium to choice, $10.50@11; common to good, $7@10; best cows and heifers, $8@12; common to good, $5@7.50; bulls, $6@10; calves, $7@13.

MAY CORN HARD TO FIND

SQUEEZE GIVES STRENGTH TO LATER DELIVERIES.

Last Prices Firm and Higher—Reports of Insect Damage Affect Oats Market.

CHICAGO, May 27.—Prices tightened materially today in the corn market, owing for the most part to meagerness of the supply. The close was firm, ⅝c to 2c net higher with July $1.66½ to $1.66⅝ and September $1.58⅝ to $1.58⅞. Oats gained ⅜c to 1½c and provisions 35c to 80c.

Strength characterized the corn market throughout the session and there was a specially urgent call for the May delivery. Upturns of the May price, which touched the highest price for the present crop, had an evident direct bullish influence on the later months.

Reports that green bugs were attacking the fields in some parts of Missouri gave independent strength to the oats market.

Provisions advanced sharply as a result of packers buying of July lard and ribs. At first, however, weakness in the hog trade operated as a big weight on values.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
CORN.				
July	$1.65¼	$1.66⅝	$1.65¼	$1.66½
Sept.	1.58⅜	1.59⅛	1.57⅞	1.58⅝
OATS.				
July	.67⅝	.68½	.67⅛	.68⅜
Sept.	.64⅛	.65⅛	.64⅛	.65
MESS PORK.				
May	.....	.....	.....	54.70
July	48.80	49.65	48.50	49.60
LARD.				
July	31.10	31.77	31.10	31.75
Sept.	30.75	31.30	30.75	31.25
SHORT RIBS.				
July	27.22	27.72	27.22	27.72
Sept.	26.50	27.55	26.50	27.55

Cash prices were:

Corn—No. 3 yellow, $1.61⅝; No. 4 yellow, $1.50; No. 5 yellow, nominal.

Corn—No. 3 white, 69½@70c; standard, 71@71¼c.

Rye—No. 2, nominal.

Barley—$1.10@1.25.

Timothy—$9@12.

Clover—Nominal.

Pork—Nominal.

Lard—$32.37.

Ribs—$28.25@29.25.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 27.—Flour, $12.90 f. o. b. warehouse.

Grain—Wheat, $2.20; oats, red feed, $2.20@2.40; corn, California yellow, $3.15@3.40; barley, No. 1 feed, 1918 crop, $2.50@2.52½.

Rye—Wheat or wheat and oats, $16@18; tame oat, $17@19; barley, $11@14; alfalfa, $15@19; barley straw, 50@80c bale.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 27.—Barley, $1@1.13. Flax, $4.22@4.24.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, May 27.—Linseed, $4.22@4.24.

Hood Cherries on Market.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—The season's first cherries appeared on the local market today. The cherries, from seedling trees on the ranch of J. W. Morton on the lowlands of the Columbia, west of the city, sold for 15 cents a pint hallock. The principal part of the crop will not be on the market for two weeks.

LAST PRICES SHOW GAINS

DEALINGS IN STOCKS AGAIN ON BROAD SCALE.

Rails, Motors, Steels and Equipments Active Features—Victory Bonds Make First Appearance.

NEW YORK, May 27.—Dealings on the stock exchange today were again active and broad, falling only by a small margain to equal yesterday's 2,000,000-share day, which established a record for over two years.

Frequent periods of uncertainty marked the session, due mainly to the approaching triple holiday, but final quotations disclosed many substantial gains.

Motors and associated specialists, also steels and equipments, were once more the chief elements of speculative interest, but rails were mor aztiv and mtals made occasional response to reports of a revival of foreign demand.

Tobacco and food shares asserted some of their recent prominence in later dealings. Shipping, excepting Marine common and Union Fruit, moved within narrow limits. Oils ended at irregular gains and losses. Such specialties as United States Rubber, American Woolen, Food Products, Industrial Alcohol and chemical and fertilizer issues furnished much of the strength of the final hour with Southern Pacific.

Changes among stocks were mostly nominal. United States Steel retrieved only a fraction of its 1¾-point reaction, but Southern Pacific held at substantial gain. Sales amounted to 1,828,000 shares.

Victory bonds made their first appearance on the exchange, selling at $99.98@99.96. The liberty group held firm, while internationals eased off. Total sales, par value, aggregated $13,750,000. Old United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.
Am Beet Sugar	2,700	82⅝	81⅝	82
American Can	30,400	60⅝	58⅝	60
Am Car & Fdry	4,700	104½	103½	103⅝
Am H & L pfd	1,200	122⅛	121½	121½
American Loco	10,900	85⅛	83	84⅛
Am Sm & Refg	12,300	82½	80⅞	81⅞
Am Sugar Refg	2,400	131⅞	130½	131½
Am Sum Tobac	1,700	111	108½	109⅛
Amer Tel & Tel	3,800	109½	107½	107⅝
Am Z L & Sm	1,300	17⅝	16⅝	17
Anaconda Cop	14,000	71	69⅝	70½
Atchison	12,200	103⅝	102⅝	102⅞
A G & W I S S L	1,200	165	164	164
Baldwin Loco	15,400	102	100⅛	100⅝
Balt & Ohio	3,100	35⅛	34⅝	34⅞
Beth Steel	16,500	80⅝	79⅛	79⅞
B & S Copper	12,200	25⅞	24⅞	25
Calif Petrol	3,100	32⅛	32	32⅝
Canadian Pacific	1,700	168⅛	167⅞	167⅞
Central Leather	8,200	93⅛	91⅞	92⅛
Ches & Ohio	.....	.....	.....	67⅞
Chi M & St P	6,200	47	46	46⅛
Chicago & N W	1,100	105	104	104
Chi R I & Pac	6,100	30⅛	30	30
Chino Copper	3,200	40⅝	39⅝	40
Colo Fu & Iron	1,400	48	47⅛	47⅛
Corn Products	30,100	65⅝	62⅝	65⅝
Crucible Steel	12,600	82	80	80⅝
Cuba Cane Sug	7,500	36⅝	35	35⅝
Distill Sec Corp	33,700	81⅝	76⅝	81
Erie	3,800	19½	18⅞	19⅛
General Electric	800	167⅞	167	167
General Motors	14,200	207	201	202½
Gt Nor pfd	11,900	100⅝	99⅛	99½
Gt Nor Ore ctfs	4,500	47⅞	47	47⅛
Illinois Central	600	104	103⅝	104
Inspir Copper	14,800	59⅝	58	59
Int M M pfd	14,500	125⅛	124⅛	124⅛
Inter Nickel	17,900	29⅛	28	28⅛
Inter Paper	8,200	55½	54⅛	54⅝
K C Southern	700	24½	24	24
Kennecott Cop	11,500	57⅝	56⅝	56⅝
Louis & Nash	200	122	122	122
Mexican Petrol	44,400	186⅛	182⅝	182⅝
Miami Copper	1,700	28⅝	27⅛	28
Midvale Steel	20,300	52⅝	51	51⅝
Missouri Pacific	15,500	33½	32⅛	32⅝
Montana Power	7,500	79⅛	74⅛	79
Nevada Copper	9,000	18⅝	17⅞	18⅝
N Y Central	13,600	83½	82	82⅞
N Y N H & H	3,300	33⅛	32⅛	32⅞
Norf & West	1,400	112	110⅝	111⅛
Northern Pacif	5,600	99⅝	99	99⅛
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	38⅛
Pac Tel & Tel	.....	.....	.....	26⅛
Pan-Am Petrol	18,400	96½	94½	94½
Pennsylvania	12,600	48	47⅛	47⅛
Pitts & W Va	.....	.....	.....	38
Pittsburg Coal	600	61⅛	60	61
Ray Consol Cop	4,800	23⅛	22⅝	23
Reading	32,000	90⅝	89	89⅛
Rep Ir & Steel	3,600	89⅛	87⅛	87⅞
Shat Ariz Cop	1,100	14⅝	14½	14⅝
Sin Oil & Refg	24,500	67	65	65⅝
Southern Pacif	135,400	113⅛	111	112⅞
Southern Ry	6,000	32⅛	31½	31⅛
Studebaker Cor	67,600	102½	98⅛	99⅛
Texas Co	2,900	282⅛	279	279
Tobacco Prods	30,700	97⅝	94⅝	97
Union Pacific	16,200	138	136	137⅝
Unit Cig Stores	8,400	132⅛	132⅛	132⅛
U S Ind Alcohol	18,600	67	65	65⅝
U S Steel	145,400	108⅝	106⅝	107½
do pfd	800	115⅝	115½	115⅝
Utah Copper	7,300	81½	80	80½
Western Union	1,300	92⅝	92⅝	92
Westing Electric	15,900	59	57⅝	57⅝
Willys-Overland	51,600	59⅝	58	58⅛
Royal Dutch	26,400	117½	114⅝	115⅝

BONDS.

U S Liberty 3½s	99.50	U S 4s coup	*106⅛
do first 4s	95.60	Atch Gen 4s	82⅝
do 2d 4s	94.94	D & R G ref 5s	56⅛
do 1st 4¼s	95.90	N Y C deb 6s	99⅝
do 2d 4¼s	95.30	North Pac 4s	83⅞
do 3d 4¼s	95.92	North Pac 3s	*59⅝
do 4th 4¼s	95.46	Pac Tel & Tel 5s	92½
U S Victory 4¾s	99.92	Penn con 4½s	95
U S ref 2s reg	*99⅛	U Pacif 4s	95⅝
do ref 2s coup	*99⅛	U S Steel 5s	100
do 3s reg	*89	S Pac cv 5s	111⅛
do 3s coup	*89	Anglo French 5s	97⅝
do 4s reg	*106		

*Bid.

Boston Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, May 27.—Closing quotations:

Allouez	39⅝	Mohawk	64½
Ariz Com	13⅛