WOOL SEASON OPENS

First Oregon Public Sales Are Scheduled for This Week.

SOME MAY BE POSTPONED

Delay in Shearing and Hauling Is Likely to Call for New Dates. Clip Has Been Well Sold Up in Other Sections.

The latter part of the coming week will see the real opening of the Oregon wool market, according to the schedule of public sales, but there is a possibility that some of the sales will have to be postponed owing to the delay in shearing. At other points, particularly at Bend, it is reported the sales may be dispensed with, as most of the clip has been sold on contract. Figures sent from Bend indicate that 500,000 pounds of the estimated clip of 700,000 pounds has already passed out of growers' hands.

The market is very strong at all points. Eastern Oregon growers are by no means disposed to rush into the market and they may turn down the buyers' offers at the sales as was done at Mountain Home, Ida., last week. In the Lakeview district the record price of 50 cents was reported paid by a buyer for R. S. Stanfield, who took on 50,000 fleeces.

Within a few weeks, it is estimated, some 6,000,000 pounds of wool and mohair, from the spring clip in Texas, will be sold at San Angelo, where the first sale of the season was held on May 31. The experience of recent years has been that no agreement would be reached between buyers and sellers at once, so the first sale was not expected to produce much in the way of business. Scattered clips have been contracted in Texas, 12 months' wool, on the clean basis laid down at Boston of $1.15 to $1.25. A small amount of Texas wool and mohair has been consigned to that market.

Good reasons exist for the boom in the domestic wool market. According to figures compiled by a trade authority in reference to the Government demands, 38 pounds of clean wool would be required for the outfit of one soldier. A million men, therefore, would require 38,000,000 pounds of the clean product. This means something like 70,000,000 pounds of greasy wool, all of medium grades, of which the proportion in the domestic clip is relatively small. Moreover, this does not provide for the renewal of the outfit, which would be needed very shortly in the event of the soldiers going into active warfare in the trenches of Europe. With the main dependence of the coming months on the domestic clip of wool, it is no wonder that buyers are excited over securing what they can of the available supplies of foreign medium wools now available.

WHEAT SUPPLIES NEARLY EXHAUSTED

Market Advances Steadily With Very Small Demand—Flour Is Strong.

Wheat was firm at all points in the Northwest yesterday. It was the scarcity of stocks, however, rather than any noteworthy demand that put prices up. Still, there was some inquiry from millers on the Coast and in the interior, but there were no offerings on the market and so little is left in the country that dealers do not take the trouble of calling up the usual outside points.

The market on the whole was about 5 cents better than the preceding day. At the Merchants' Exchange the few bids posted ranged from 3 to 5 cents over Friday's, with $2.61 offered for bluestem and $2.56 for club. At Seattle where millers were interested, $2.64 was bid for bluestem and $2.60 for club, with sellers asking about 10 cents over these prices.

The same condition prevails in the oats market, supplies being very closely cleaned up at all points. At Seattle, oats sold at $50 and the same price was bid on additional amount, but on the local board the best offer was $46.50.

San Francisco stocks remaining in call-board warehouses on June 1: Wheat 6555 tons; barley 3309 tons; oats 535 tons; corn 884 tons; beans 74,141 sacks. Receipts during May: Wheat 10,573 tons; barley 6615 tons; oats 2524 tons; corn 1376 tons; bran 7639 tons; hay 6761 tons; beans 93,075 sacks.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Portland, Sat.	5	1	2	2	1
Year ago....	13	....	3	4	10
Total this wk.	126	5	18	21	15
Year ago....	63	1	19	25	36
Sea'n to date.	6386	277	1485	2285	2534
Year ago....	10366	1519	1869	1078	2801
Tacoma, Fri.	54	....	....	....	4
Year ago....	....	....	....	....	....
Sea'n to date.	7272	132	....	315	2099
Year ago....	7098	3	....	523	420
Seattle, Fri.	19	....	8	1	10
Year ago....	....	....	11	....	....
Sea'n to date.	5425	364	1729	1236	3964
Year ago....	7898	1547	2066	1112	4296

STRAWBERRY SUPPLY IS STILL SHORT

Warm Weather Needed to Bring in the Local Fruit.

The strawberry supply was short of the demand yesterday, but two or three days of warm weather should bring in enough to put prices on a lower basis. The day's receipts of northern berries sold at $3.50 to $4.50, and the few California, which were rather poor, brought $2.25. Shipments from Kennewick were cut down sharply.

Cherries remain firm on account of the strong Eastern demand for California fruit. Apricots are coming in more freely and will be cheaper this week.

Navel oranges will be offered for a few days longer. Bananas are advancing again at the seaboard and another rise is expected here.

The Eastern demand for potatoes continues and shipments will be made as long as any stock remains. The local trade in old potatoes is light, but new potatoes are selling more actively as the price declines. Onions are also easier. Local green vegetables are beginning to take the place of California stock.

Egg Buying Has Slackened.

Egg buying was on a reduced scale in the latter half of the week and this caused prices to ease off.

Butter was steady at the close. A decline was looked for, but strength suddenly developed in the San Francisco market and this held prices even here.

Poultry and dressed meats were quiet and unchanged.

Spokane Crops Make Progress.

The following report from Waldo G. Paine, of Spokane, has been issued by the North Bank line: "Grain crops making good progress and weather is ideal. Some seeding yet to do. Potato acreage large and doing well. Garden crops will show great increases in acreage and yield."

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$3,072,499	$546,771
Seattle	3,492,502	518,085
Tacoma	357,794	35,061
Spokane	940,661	140,838

Total clearings of Portland, Seattle and Tacoma for the past week and corresponding week in former years were:

	Portland.	Seattle.	Tacoma.
1917.....	$14,868,878	$20,383,267	$8,107,083
1916.....	10,343,827	12,789,350	3,085,646
1915.....	8,860,144	11,298,808	1,957,271
1914.....	9,907,566	12,730,601	2,301,626
1913.....	11,022,156	12,789,302	3,085,646
1912.....	12,875,578	11,884,726	4,671,629
1911.....	11,430,734	11,204,478	4,419,396
1910.....	10,511,123	11,707,471	5,872,102
1909.....	7,321,979	10,617,079	6,121,104
1908.....	5,426,562	7,295,989	3,953,787
1907.....	7,434,928	11,235,157	5,104,900
1906.....	4,613,591	8,621,081	3,657,560
1905.....	5,081,719	5,725,060	3,042,158

All Cull Apples Will Be Used.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—C. J. Calkins, manager of the Hood River Apple Vinegar Company, announces that with additions that are being made at the plant, his concern will be able to handle all of the cull and off-grade apples in the valley the coming season.

The vinegar and cider company has added a new grinding machine and is building additional tanks of 40,000 gallons capacity. The plant is now equipped with a battery of five hydraulic presses, four of which are used in pressing juice to be converted into vinegar and the other is used exclusively for sweet cider. The company turned out a total of 650,000 gallons of cider and vinegar last season.

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session.
Cash quotations:

	Bid.	Bid. Yr. ago.
Wheat—		
Bluestem	$ 2.61	$ .96
Fortyfold	2.56	.85
Club	2.56	.84
Red Russian	2.50	.84
Oats—		
No. 1 white feed	46.50	25.25
Barley—		
No. 1 feed	42.00	28.00

FLOUR—Patents, $12.40; straights, $10.00@11.20; valley, $11.20; whole wheat, $12.20; graham, $12.

MILLFEED—Spot prices: Bran, $36 per ton; shorts, $39 per ton; middlings, $46; rolled barley, $49; rolled oats, $54.

CORN—White, $72 per ton; cracked, $73 per ton.

HAY—Producers' prices: Timothy, Eastern Oregon, $30@32 per ton; alfalfa, $20@23; valley grain hay, $18@20.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Cubes, extras, 37c; prime firsts, 36½c. Jobbing prices: Prime, extras, 39c; cartons, 1c extra; butterfat, No. 1, 39c; No. 2, 37c.

CHEESE—Jobbers' buying prices, f. o. b. dock, Portland: Tillamook triplets, 24c; Young Americas, 25c per pound; longhorns, 25c. Coos and Curry, f. o. b. Myrtle Point: Triplets, 23¾c; Young Americas, 24¾c per pound; longhorns, 24¾c per pound.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, current receipts, 31@32c per dozen; Oregon ranch, selected, 33c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 17@18c per pound; broilers, 17@22c; turkeys, 22c; ducks, old, 17c; young, 25c; geese, 12@13c.

VEAL—Fancy, 14½@15c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 19@19½c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $3@3.75; lemons, $2.75@4.50 per box; bananas, 5½c per pound; grapefruit, $3.25@6.75.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 70c per dozen; tomatoes, $1.75@2.75 per crate; cabbage, 2½@3½c per pound; lettuce, $1.75@2; cucumbers, 85c@1.75 per dozen; pappers, 20@30c per pound; rhubarb, 2@3c per pound; peas, 6@7c per pound; asparagus, $1.65@1.85 per box; spinach, 6@7c per lb.; beans, 10@11c per pound.

POTATOES—Oregon, jobbing prices, $3.50@4 per hundred; new California, 3@5½c per pound.

ONIONS — Bermuda, yellow, $1.75@2; white, $1.85@2.25 per crate; red, $2@2.25.

GREEN FRUITS—Strawberries, $2.25@$4.50 per crate; cherries, 12½@17½c per pound; apricots, $1.75@2.25 per box.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SUGAR—Fruit and berry, $8.23; Honolulu plantation, $8.20; beet, $8.05; extra C, $7.85; powdered, in barrels, $8.80; cubes, in barrels, $9.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.75 per dozen; one-half flats, $1.85; one-pound flats, $3.

HONEY—Choice, $3@3.25 per case.

NUTS—Walnuts, 13@22½c; Brazil nuts, 21c; filberts, 22c; almonds, 19@20c; peanuts, 10c; cocoanuts, $1.10 per dozen; pecans, 17½c.

BEANS—California, small white, 17c; large white, 16½c; Lima, 17½c; bayous, 13½c; pink, 14c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 17@23c.

SALT—Granulated, $16.75 per ton; half-ground, 100s, $11.50 per ton; 50s, $12.25 per ton, dairy, $16 per ton.

RICE—Southern head, 9@9½c per pound; blue rose, 8½c; Japan style, 7½@7¾c.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 12½c; peaches, 10@11c; prunes, Italian, 10½@12½c; raisins, 85c@$3 per box; dates, fard, $2.50@3 per box; currants, 19c; figs, $2@3.50 per box.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1916 crop, 4@5½c per pound.

HIDES—Salted hides (25 pounds up, 20c; salted stags (50 pounds and up), 16c; green and salted kip (15 pounds to 25 pounds), 20c; green and salted calf skins (up to 15 pounds), 32c; green hides (25 pounds and up), 13c; dry hides, 34c; dry calf, 40c; salt hides, 20c; dry horse hides, $1@2.50; salt horse hides, $3@5.

PELTS—Dry long-wooled pelts, 30c; dry short-wooled pelts, 25c; dry sheep shearlings, each 15@30c; salt sheep shearlings, each 25@50c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, fine, 50@51c per pound; coarse, 53@55c; valley, 55c.

MOHAIR—60c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—New, 7c; old, 8c per pound.

TALLOW—No. 1, 14c per pound.

Provisions.

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 30c; standard, 30c; skinned, 27@28c; picnics, 23c; cottage rolls, 27c.

LARD — Tierce basis, kettle rendered, 25½c; standard pure, 24½c; compound, 19c.

BACON—Fancy, 38@39c; standard, 35@36c; choice, 28@34½c.

DRY SALT—Short clear backs, 25@27c; exports, 26@27c; plates, 22@24c.

Oils.

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

GASOLINE — Bulk, 20½c; cases, 29c; naphtha, drums, 19½c; cases, 25c; engine distillate, drums, 10½c; cases, 19c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, $1.32; cases, $1.39; boiled, barrels, $1.34; cases, $1.41.

TURPENTINE—In tanks, 62c; in cases, 69c.

HOOD RIVER FRUIT CROP IS SMALL

Lack of Bees Responsible for Heavy Drop Now Occurring.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—Indirectly, through the "freeze out" of most of the bees of local apiaries, the severe cold weather of last Winter will cost the apple-growers of the Hood River Valley thousands of dollars, according to H. F. Davidson, owner of large local orchard holdings and formerly president of the North Pacific Fruit Distributors. Mr. Davidson, following a tour of inspection of local orchards yesterday, says that a heavy drop is occurring in most all orchards, including cherries and other fruits as well as apples, because of lack of pollenization.

"I asked growers if they heard any bees working during blossoming season," said Mr. Davidson, "and most of them told me that the insects were scarcely noticeable this year. As a result, the pollen was not properly scattered. It is true that the drop is more noticeable among trees that bore most heavily last season, but I believe that a great deal of the falling of the young fruit could have been prevented if we had more bees here. I advise growers to take care of their apiaries. If the bees happen to freeze out, growers will find it a paying investment to restock them at once. You cannot grow fruit successfully, I find, without bees."

The bloom of the local cherry trees was the heaviest ever seen. A week ago the drop began, and growers reported prospects for a normal yield. It now seems that the cherry crop will be very light here this season.

Mr. Davidson says that the continued cold, weather has caused the first picking of local strawberries to be smaller than on normal years. "But with a few days of this warm weather," he says, "the fruit will develop rapidly. The berries are of fine quality and will ship mighty well."

Lewiston Fruit Crop Promising.

LEWISTON, Idaho, June 9.—(Special.)—Never has the fruit crop in the Lewiston district been more promising than at the present. The warm, sunshiny days have developed the fruit to such an extent that the trees are well filled and a bumper crop is expected. Driers are being installed in many localities, as the people prefer to handle their surplus fruit in this manner than to can it, on account of the high cost of sugar.

High prices for all produce is expected by the growers and a number of buyers have entered the field this year, which would indicate that there will be competitive buying on the local market.

Coffee Futures Quiet.

NEW YORK, June 9.—The market for coffee futures continued quiet today, with fluctuations narrow. The opening was 2 to 26 points lower. The close was unchanged to 1 higher. Sales, 22,500 bags. June, 7.75c; July, 7.80c; August, 7.85c; September, 7.90c; October, 7.94c; November, 7.98c; December, 8.03c; January, 8.08c; February, 8.13c; March, 8.18c; April, 8.23c; May, 8.28c.

Spot, dull; Rio 7s, 10¼c; Santos 4s, 10¾c. Offerings of Rio 7s were reported in the cost and freight market at 9 cents, London credits.

The official cables showed a decline of 150 reis in spots at Rio. Santos spots were not quoted, and futures were unchanged to 25 reis lower.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Evaporated apples, dull. Prunes, quiet and firm. Apricots and peaches waiting new crops.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., June 9.—Butter, 25 tubs at 39½c.

ELEVEN CENT GAIN

Big Jump in Wheat Due to Crop Rreport.

FORECAST IS BULLISH

Chicago Trade Expected Improvement in Conditions in Past Month Would Be Revealed—Broad Activity in Corn Market.

CHICAGO, June 9.—Big jumps in wheat prices took place today as result of the smallness of the 1917 crop, indicated by the Government report. After an extreme leap of 16 cents a bushel the market closed firm, 5 to 11 net higher with July at $2.30 and September at $2.02. Corn gained ⅛ to 7¼c; oats 1⅛c to 2c and provisions 15c to 30c.

It had been generally expected that wheat crop improvement during the last month would be shown to have been much greater than turned out to be the case.

Activity on a broad scale characterized the corn market. Heavy buying made prices advance rapidly. The chief stimulus to purchase came from cold weather. Considerable buying was said to be in progress on the theory that meats would continue to sell at high prices, and corn, therefore, would be in urgent demand for feeding.

Bullish constructions of the Government crop report tended to lift oats. The official estimate of the yield was not so large as had been generally expected.

Provisions went upward with grains. Notice also was taken of reports that a large amount of provisions in Argentina had been destroyed by fire.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
July	$2.25	$2.40	$2.29	$2.35
Sept.	1.97	2.02	1.96	2.02
CORN.				
July	1.58	1.58	1.55½	1.57½
Sept.	1.48	1.50¼	1.47¾	1.50
Dec.	1.07	1.10½	1.05	1.10½
OATS.				
July	.61½	.62¼	.60¼	.60¾
Sept.	.52½	.53½	.52	.53⅜
Dec.	.54¼	.55½	.54	.55¼
MESS PORK.				
July	38.00	38.30	38.05	38.25
Sept.	38.05	38.20	38.05	38.20
LARD.				
July	21.42½	21.65	21.42½	21.55
Sept.	21.57½	21.80	21.50	21.67½
SHORT RIBS.				
July	20.77½	20.90	20.77½	20.90
Sept.	20.97½	21.05	20.97½	21.02½

Cash prices were as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 red and No. 3 red, nominal; No. 3 hard, $2.72; No. 3 hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, $1.73@1.74; No. 3 yellow, $1.72¾; No. 4 yellow, nominal.

Oats—No. 3 white, 66@67c; standard, 66½@67½c.

Rye, nominal.

Barley—$1.15@1.45.

Timothy—$5.50@8.

Clover—$12@17.

Clearances—Wheat, 915,000 bushels; corn, none; oats, 20,000 bushels; flour, 6000 barrels.

CORN TRADE OF LARGE VOLUME

Fixing of Maximum Price Limit Stimulates Speculation.

CHICAGO, June 9.—Sudden establishment of a maximum price limit on corn proved by far the most important feature this week in the grain trade. The effect, however, instead of being sedative, as in the case of wheat, led to a notable expansion of trading and to a big bulge in values. As compared with a week ago, corn this morning was 8¼c to 16¾c higher.

Upward flights of the corn market seemed large due to the fact that $1.65 a bushel, the maximum price set by the directors of the board of trade, was much above the quotations which had been current before the action of the directors was taken. In the case of wheat, on the other hand, the maximum named was below the level which the market had previously attained. Unfavorable weather, unusual lightness of receipts and increasing demand, both domestic and foreign, were among the reasons assigned for the general eagerness which developed for the purchase of corn and for the consequent excited upward rush of prices. North American available supplies of corn were estimated at 4,850,000 bushels as against 16,968,000 bushels a year ago.

Efforts to buy small amounts of wheat on a market bare of offerings had much to do with hoisting the cost of breadstuff material. The chief place after announcement that the Government intended to protect growers in marketing their crops and that prices would be guaranteed high enough to stimulate production. Notice was also taken of the fact that hedging sales of the new crop were scarce, and stocks at all Western terminal points unusually meager. Bearish forecasts of the Government crop report exerted only a transient influence upon values.

Oats hardened in response to the strength of other cereals. Doubtless the advance would have been more pronounced but for predictions that the Government crop report would be radically against the bulls.

Foreign advices were not encouraging to holders of provisions. European interests, it was said, became liberal sellers at times, especially of lard.

Minneapolis Grain Markets.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 9.—Barley, 95c@$1.42; wheat, July, $2.43½; September, $1.90. Cash, No. 1 hard, $2.98½@3.03½; No. 1 Northern, $2.88½@2.98½; No. 2 Northern, $2.78½@2.88½.

Eastern Cash Wheat Markets.

DULUTH, June 9.—Cash wheat: No. 1 hard, $2.61½; No. 1 Northern, $2.81½; No. 2 Northern, $2.76½; No. 3 Northern, $2.61½; No. 2 hard, $2.76½; No. 1 durum, $2.46; No. 2, durum, $2.41.

WINNIPEG, June 9.—Cash wheat, No. 1 Northern, $2.56; No. 2 Northern, $2.53; No. 3 Northern, $2.48.

Eastern Wheat Futures.

DULUTH, June 9.—Wheat closed: July, $2.20½.

WINNIPEG, June 9.—Wheat closed: October, $2.10.

ST. LOUIS, June 9.—Wheat closed: July, $2.24; September, $2.01.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.—Spot quotations: Bluestem, $4.30@4.40; Turkey red, $4.40@4.50; red Russian, $4.20@4.25.

Barley, feed, $2.10@2.15.

Oats, white, $2.45@2.50.

Millfeed: Bran, $36@37; middlings, $48@49; shorts, $38@39.

Callboard: Barley, December, $2.

Puget Sound Grain Market.

SEATTLE, June 9. — Wheat—Bluestem, $2.64; turkey red, $2.64; fortyfold, $2.60; club, $2.60; rife, $2.60; red Russian, $2.60.

Barley, $44 per ton.

Yesterday's car receipts—Wheat, 19; oats, 1; barley, 2; hay, 10; flour, 8.

TACOMA, June 9. — Wheat—Bluestem, $2.63; fortyfold, club and red rife, $2.60; red Russian, $2.55.

Car receipts—Wheat, 54; hay, 4.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

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

SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.—Butter—Fresh extras, 37½c; prime firsts, 36½c.

Eggs—Fresh extras, 31c; fresh extra pullets, 29c; extra firsts, pullets, 28½c.

Cheese—New firsts, 21c; young Americas, 23½c.

Poultry—Hens, 23@24c; roosters, old, 14@15c; fryers, 33@34c; broilers, 27@28c; squabs, $2.25@3; pigeons, $1.50@2; geese, 19@22c; ducks, 18@20c.

Vegetables—Summer squash, crate, 65@85c; Los Angeles, $1@1.25 lug; asparagus, Sacramento, $1.75@2.25 box; fancy white, $2.50@2.75; bell peppers, 20@25c pound; Chile, 15@20c; bay peas, sack, $1.50@2; tomatoes, Mexican, $2@2.50; Imperial Valley, $1.50@2 per crate; green corn, Brentwood, 20@25c dozen; Southern 30@40c; onions, green, 65@85c box; rhubarb, bay, $1.25@1.75 box; San Lorenzo, 90c@$1.25; cucumbers, hothouse, $1.50@1.75 box; natural, $1.25@1.50; beans, new crop wax, 6@7c pound; string, 6@7c.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, $4.25@4.75; new, 3@3½c.

Onions—Red $1.25@1.50 sack; Bermuda and crystal wax, $1.75@2.

Fruit—Cantaloupes, $4@4.50; currants, $1.50@2 drawer; peaches, crate, $1.50@1.75; apricots, $1.25@1.75 drawer, cherries, purple Guigne and black Tartarians, drawer, 90c@$1.10; figs, Brunswick, box, $1@1.25; Mission, $1@1.25; strawberries, chest, Longworths, $7; bananas, $6@7; raspberries, crate, Los Angeles, 75c@$1; Sacramento, $1.25; blackberries, crate, 75c@$1, loganberries, 75c@$1; gooseberries, pound, 4@6c; lemons, box, $3@3.50; grapefruit, $2.50@3; oranges, $2.65@2.90; bananas, $1@1.50 bunch; pineapples, $2.25@2.50; California Newtown pippins, box $3@3.25; watermelons, 8c pound.

Hay—Wheat, $29@30; wheat and oat, $27@28; choice tame oat, $29@30; other tame oat, $24.50@26; wild oat, $17; barley, $25@27; alfalfa, $14@15; stock hay, $10@12; barley straw, $1@1.10 bale.

Millfeed—Cracked corn and feed cornmeal, $71@72; alfalfa meal, carlots, $32; less than carlots, $34.

Flour—$13.20@13.40.

Receipts—Flour, 6630 quarters; beans, 11 sacks; potatoes, 1025 sacks; onions, 925 sacks; hay, 100 tons; hides, 1700; wine, 29,700 gallons.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Although no active demand has developed, the copper market has shown continued firmness during the week, and rather a better inquiry was reported for the last quarter. Very little metal is available for delivery this side of August, and quotations of 32.00c to 34.00c are practically nominal for spot and nearby electrolytic. The third quarter and later deliveries were quoted at prices ranging from 29.50c to 32.00c by leading refiners today.

Iron was unchanged.

Wool, Etc., at New York.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Wool firm; domestic fleece, Ohio and Pennsylvania, 58@59c. Hops and hides unchanged.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Raw sugar steady. Molasses, 5.01c; centrifugal, 5.89c. Refined steady; fine granulated, 7.50c.

BEST CATTLE MOVE WELL

SHEEP ARE STRONG AT NORTH PORTLAND YARDS.

Hog Market Continues Its Downward Trend With No Apparent Reason. The Demand Is Light.

The week ended quietly at the stock yards with a good run, most of which was carried over for Monday's market. Price conditions were unchanged.

Receipts yesterday were 482 cattle, 9 calves, 277 hogs and 594 sheep. Shippers were: W. E. Hugn, Attlene, Cal., 10 cars cattle; C. E. Lucke, Canby, 1 car hogs and sheep; W. Long, Durham, 1 car cattle; M. Garnett, Willows, 2 cars cattle and calves; H. W. Garnett, Willows, 1 car cattle; J. W. Chandler, Orland and Richvale, 2 cars cattle and 1 car hogs; H. W. Weight, Tehama and Corning, 4 cars cattle, calves and hogs; Lee Miller, Albany, 1 car hogs and sheep.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wgt.	Pr.		Wgt.	Pr.
1 cow...	880	$ 7.25	3 calves..	173	$ 8.00
3 cows..	600	5.75	3 calves..	193	8.00
1 cow...	1010	4.50	1 calf....	270	8.00
1 cow...	810	4.50	1 hog....	270	15.25
1 cow...	800	4.50	1 hog....	410	14.25
1 bull...	900	7.50	2 hogs...	365	14.25
1 bull...	500	6.50	1 hog....	470	14.25
1 bull...	1060	6.50			

The origin of the livestock received at the local yards in the past month was as follows:

	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Oregon	3,511	377	12,250	3,444
Idaho	465	32	1,873	....
Washington	231	16	658	3,121
Montana	161	....	658	....
California	4,216	463	3,891	....
Total	8,574	888	18,582	6,565

Reviewing conditions at the yards, the Livestock Reporter says:

"Trading in the cattle market is not much improved yet, although the best grades are moving better. Packers and butchers all seem to have about all they want and not anxious to buy. Values have been on a steady decline now for three weeks on the poor grades, while the downward trend on good cattle has been halted temporarily.

"The hog market still continues its downward trend with no apparent reason. Demand from all killers is extremely light in the face of small receipts. Since prices began to go off two weeks ago there has been a decline of 75 cents to $1. Speculative demand was absent today and packers sliced off another 15 cents, taking all the good hogs at $15.25, while some fairly good light hogs have sold as low as $15 and $15.15. Pigs are selling mostly at $13 with a few bunches brought $13.50.

"Sheep prices remain strong, with a ready demand for a number of killers. Receipts, while not very liberal, are of fair volume. Valley Spring lambs are selling readily at $13.75, while good yearlings are bringing from $11 to $11.25. A load of good fat two-year shorn wethers brought $10.50 today, with ewes at $9.50.

Prices ranged as follows:

Cattle—	Price.
Steers, prime	$ 9.50@10.25
Steers, good	9.00@ 9.25
Steers, medium	8.50@ 9.00
Cows, choice	8.25@ 8.50
Cows, medium to good	7.50@ 8.00
Cows, ordinary to fair	6.75@ 7.25
Heifers	5.00@ 9.25
Bulls	5.00@ 7.75
Calves	7.50@ 9.50
Hogs—	
Light and heavy packing	15.50@15.75
Rough and heavies	14.90@15.25
Pigs and skips	13.00@13.50
Stock hogs	12.00@13.00
Sheep—	
Spring lambs, good to choice	13.50@13.75
Spring lambs, fair to good	13.00@13.50
Spring lambs, culls	11.00@12.00
Shorn lambs, good to choice	11.00@12.00
Shorn wethers, good to choice	10.50@11.00
Shorn wethers, fair to good	10.50@11.00

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, June 9.—Hogs—Receipts 8200, market 10c lower. Heavy, $15.10@15.30; mixed, $14.90@15.10; light, $14.75@15.10; pigs, $12.50@14.50; bulk of sales, $14.90@15.10.

Cattle—Receipts 800, market steady. Native steers, $10.00@15.35; cows and heifers, $8.75@11.50; Western steers, $9.50@12; Texas steers, $9@10.50; cows and heifers, $8.50@10.25; canners, $6.50@8.50; stockers and feeders, $7@11; calves, $10@11.50; bulls, stags, etc., $8@11.

Sheep—Receipts 100, steady. Yearlings, $13@14.50; wethers, $12@13.25; ewes, $11@13; lambs, $17@18.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, June 9.—Hogs—Receipts 10,000, weak, generally 10 to 15c under yesterday's average. Bulk, $15@15.60; light, $14.50@15.40; mixed, $14.55@15.75; heavy, $14.90@15.80; rough, $14.90@15.10; pigs, $10.50@14.50.

Cattle—Receipts 1000, steady. Native beef cattle, $9.25@13.75; stockers and feeders, $7.40@10.50; cows and heifers, $6.25@11.75; calves, $9.75@14.50.

Sheep—Receipts 2000, steady. Wethers, $8.30@10.80; lambs, $9.50@14.50; Springs, $12.@16.50.

WAR ON SQUIRRELS STARTS

Douglas County Campaign of Extermination Opened by Experts.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—R. A. Ward, of the state biological department, and C. J. Hurd, who has charge of the food preparedness campaign in Douglas County, have arrived here preparatory to beginning a campaign for the extermination of squirrels in this vicinity. Meetings will be held in various parts of the county during the next 10 days and the farmers and fruitgrowers will be instructed with regard to the easiest and surest way in which to do away with these rodents.

Many bushels of grain are ruined annually by squirrels in Douglas County, according to Mr. Hurd, and the waste can only be abated through complete extermination of the pest. The campaign probably will last for about two weeks, although more time may be allotted to Douglas County if necessary.

"SPLASH" OFFERS GIFT

Grays Harbor Celebration Will Divide With Red Cross.

HOQUIAM, Wash., June 8.—(Special.)—Half of the net proceeds of the annual Grays Harbor Splash in Hoquiam, July 2, 3 and 4, this year will be turned over to the Hoquiam Red Cross chapter. The other half will be retained by the Hoquiam Commercial Club.

The Red Cross expects from this source $500 to $600. Each of the former Splash celebrations have netted something over $1000 after all expenses were paid. Indications are it will be on a bigger scale than any before.

MOTORS HEAD LIST

Spirited Advance Comes With Inquiry for Shares.

GAINS UP TO SEVEN POINTS

Industrial Alcohol Continues Its Rise to New High Record—Steel Under Moderate Pressure. Bond Trade Broad.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Trading was active for both accounts today after an irregular opening. The advance began with a brisk inquiry for motor shares and soon extended to the general list.

General Motors gained almost 7 points, Studebaker over 4 and others of the division 1½ to 2½ points. The movement seemed to have been made largely at the expense of an overconfident short interest.

Other striking features of the short session were Industrial Alcohol, which rose almost 4 points to 170¾, a new high record; Distillers' Securities, a related issue meanwhile rising 4 points to 25¾.

Steel shares were mainly represented by Lackawanna and Crucible, the former gaining about 2 points on extensive accumulation. United States Steel was under moderate pressure, closing at 131⅛, unchanged from the previous day.

The steel tonnage statement for May showed a decrease of almost 300,000 tons from the high-water mark established the previous month, but the volume of unfilled orders was so large as to indicate that the mills of the corporation still are taxed to capacity.

Central Leather, shippings, copper and zinc shares, oils and sugars registered gross gains of 1 to 5 points. Final prices were from 1 to 4 points under highest quotations. Alcohol closing at a slight net loss. Total sales, 450,000 shares.

The bank statement again reflected the enormous shifting of local moneys in connection with the liberty loan. Actual reserves in banks' own vaults were reduced by almost $90,000,000, the Federal reserve bank at the same time showing an increase from this source of slightly over $61,000,000. Excess reserves contracted about $28,000,000, a decrease of almost $108,000,000 in the past fortnight. Actual loans expanded by more than $95,000,000.

An advance of 1½ points in Lackawanna Steel 5s of 1950 featured the Government bond market. Total sales, par value, $1,157,000. United States bonds were down ¼ to 2½ per cent on call for the week.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing bid.
Am Beet Sugar..	1,000	96¾	96½	96½
Am Can.....	1,100	51¾	51⅛	51½
Am Car & Fdry..	1,000	77	76¾	77
Am Locomotive..	1,100	74¾	74⅛	74¾
Am Sm & Refg..	3,000	110¾	109¾	110½
Am Sugar Refg..	15,900	126¾	122½	124
Am Tel & Tel...	500	122	121¼	121¾
Am Z L & S.....	1,100	34¼	33	33¾
Anaconda Cop...	12,200	86¼	85	85¾
Atchison.....	400	102½	102	102¼
A G & W I S S L.	3,900	117	115¾	116½
Balt & Ohio.....	1,700	72¾	72	72
B & S Copper...	900	46¾	44½	46
Calif Petrol....	.....	.....	.....	27½
Canadian Pacif..	300	162¼	161¼	161
Central Leather.	11,800	99	97⅛	98½
Ches & Ohio.....	1,100	60	59½	59¾
Chi Mil & St P...	2,200	75½	74½	74¾
Chi & N W.....	.....	.....	.....	111
C R I & P ctfs...	.....	.....	.....	43½
Chino Copper...	2,000	60¼	59¾	60
Colo Fuel & Iron..	1,100	56¾	55½	55¾
Corn Prod Refg.	7,100	35¾	32¾	32
Crucible Steel...	12,100	83	81¾	82½
Cuba Cane Sug..	7,100	45½	44⅞	45½
Distil Securities.	14,100	25¾	22½	25½
Erie.....	.....	.....	.....	26
General Elect...	300	163½	162½	163
Gen Motors.....	13,700	112	104¾	110
Goldfield Con...	.....	.....	.....	10
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