TODAY'S MARKETS

Hop Sellers Are Now Filling March Contracts but Are Not Paying Advanced Prices Because Growers Let Go

ARIZONA STILL BUYING SPUDS

Potatoes From Oregon Still Rolling in That Direction—Onions Firm.

Front street features:
Lower level in egg market.
Local potato trade fair.
Complaint on rail rates.
Smelt price down to 5c.
Salmon run continues good.
Sharp drop in asparagus.
Orange movement is heavy.
Poultry remains very scarce.
Several cars of produce in.
Banana supplies very small.

Local Potato Trade Fair.

There remains a fair amount of potato business in the market at this time. Shipments to Arizona are quite liberal and dealers are paying 45c to 50c for best stock. The quality of the Oregon potato was so good that, despite the low prices elsewhere, the trade still wants a good share of this state's product.

Local onion market is holding firm, and the same tone is continued in San Francisco. It is now estimated that [illegible]t 10 cars remain in the hands of Willamette valley producers, but several cars are still reported in eastern Oregon.

Lower Level in Egg Market.

A lower range of values is noted in the egg market here because of the larger supplies. Stocks are now being freely offered along the street at 18c a dozen, while some are willing to let go at 17½c in order to clean up.

For chickens the demand remains very stiff, and because of the scant supplies prices are held right up to the top notch.

Creamery butter market is holding quite well, but some expect a lower range of value the coming week.

Banana Supplies Are Very Small.

Very small supplies are noted in the banana market, and the retail trade is complaining of the lack of foresight of jobbers who are not disposed to keep the market in shape.

A car of celery, a car of cauliflower and other mixed vegetables and a car of cabbage were among the arrivals from the south per rail this morning.

Orange market is in very good shape, although low prices are still ruling. Better demand, however.

For apples the trade is increasing, with fancy quality in heavier inquiry.

Sharp Drop in Asparagus.

With the season advancing in the south, asparagus prices are responding to the larger output and prices are low all around. In this market there was a drop from 40c to 25c a pound in Front street values during the past 24 hours.

According to a California paper, Richard Hickmott, the asparagus canner, so well known in connection with Bouldin island, has been making arrangements whereby he will be back in the asparagus business. Mr. Hickmott has leased the Black Diamond cannery formerly used for salmon by F. E. Booth, and will have this fitted up for asparagus canning in time for this season's pack. The asparagus for this year's pack has been purchased from various growers wherever obtainable. So far as Bouldin island is concerned nothing is being done with that for the present, the expense of getting the water off and putting it into shape being too heavy to be undertaken now. This property, it is understood, will be allowed to lie just as it is for the present.

Salmon Run Continues Good.

The run of salmon in the Columbia continues quite good, according to reports which came from the lower river this morning. The catch is greater than expected, but operators are taking all caught and are holding prices stiff.

Run of smelt in the Lewis river is quite liberal and the price here has dropped to 5c a pound. Quality is first class.

Prices are stiffening in the halibut market and first-class quality is today being held firmly at 6c a pound.

Brief Notes of the Trade.

Shippers are making much complaint over the action of the Southern Pacific company in advancing the less than car lot rate on potatoes from Clackamas to 1c per 100 pounds, instead of 5c as formerly. They say that it hurts their trade. The car lot rate was likewise recently advanced from 5c to 6c.

Cabbage market is steady at 1½c for best quality.

Front street sells at the following prices. Prices paid shippers are less regular commissions:

Grain, Flour and Feed.

GRAIN BAGS—Calcutta, 9c; large lots; small lots, 9½c.

WHEAT—Track prices—Club, 81@82c; red Russian, 80@81c; bluestem, 83@84c; valley, 81@82c.

CORN—Whole, $32; cracked, $33 ton.

BARLEY—New—Feed, $26 per ton; rolled $29@31; brewing, $29.

RYE—$1.55 per cwt.

OATS—New—Producers' price—No. 1 white $27 per ton; gray, $26@26.50.

FLOUR—Eastern Oregon patents, $4.80; straights, $4.35; exports, $3.70; valley, $4.45; graham, ¼s, $4.50; whole wheat, $4.75; rye, 50s, $5.50; bales, $3.

MILL STUFFS—Nominal—Bran, $25@26 ton; middlings, $30@31; shorts, country, $27; city, $26; chop, $21@24.

HAY—Producers' price—Timothy, Willamette valley, fancy $15; ordinary, $12.50@13; eastern Oregon, $16@17; mixed, $10@10.50; clover, $10@12; grain, (—); cheat, (—); alfalfa, $12@12.50.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER FAT—F. o. b. Portland—sweet cream, 33½c; sour, 32c.

BUTTER—Extra fancy fresh creamery, 35c; fancy, 32½@35c; choice, 35c; ordinary, 32½c; best storage, 27½@30c; second grade, 25c; store, 20c a pound.

EGGS—Extra fancy candled, 17½@18c; eastern storage, 14c dozen.

CHEESE—New—Full cream, flats, 15½c per lb; Young Americans, 17c per lb.

POULTRY—Mixed chickens, 13½@14c lb; fancy hens, 14@14½c lb; roosters, old, 11@11½c; fryers, $4.50@6.00 doz; broilers, $4@5 doz; geese, old, 8@9c lb; turkeys, alive, 14@16c per lb, dressed, 15@18c lb; squabs, $2.50 dozen; pigeons, $1.25 doz.; dressed poultry, 1@1½c per lb higher.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1907 crop, first prime, 5½c; prime, 5½c; medium to prime, 5@5½c; medium, 4@5c lb; 1906 crop, 1@2c lb; contracts, 1908, (—).

WOOL—1908—Willamette Valley, 15@17c.

MOHAIR POOL WILL SOON BE OFFERED

The first regular mohair sale of the year will be held at Dallas, April 17, and three days later the Scio pool will be sold.

A year ago the Dallas pool, consisting of 70,000 pounds, was sold at 30c a pound. The following prices ruled on the same clip in previous seasons: 1906, 30½c; 1905, 32½c; 1904, 34c; 1903, 38⅝c; 1902, 25c; 1901, 22c; 1900, 29c; 1899, 33 1-3c; 1898, 30½c; 1897, 21⅝c.

As was reported in The Journal yesterday the first mohair of the present season has been sold privately at 25c a pound.

SPRING LAMBS TELL OF THE NEW SEASON

Spring lambs are in good demand at this time and in the dressed meat market prices are ranging from 13c to 15c a pound. Only a nominal number have lately arrived here.

All lines of dressed meats continue to display a most wonderful tone. The strength has continued longer of late than any other season. All lines are quoted stiff.

MOHAIR—1908—Nominal, 25c.

HIDES—Dry hides, 12@13c lb; green, 4@5c; calves, green, 5@7c; kips, 5c lb; bulls, green salt, 3@4c lb.

SHEEPSKINS—Shearings, 15c@20c each; short wool, 25c@40c; medium wool, 50c@$1 each; long wool, 75c@$1.25 each.

TALLOW—Prime, per lb, 3c@4c; No. 2 and grease, 2@2½c.

CHITTIM BARK—2¼@3c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES—Select, 60@65c, selling; buying, Willamette valley, 40@45c; eastern Multnomah and Clackamas, 45@50c per cwt; sweets, 3½@4c; seed stock f. o. b. Portland, American Wonders, $1; Early Rose, $1.

ONIONS—Jobbing price, $2.75@3.00; buying, spot, $2.25@2.50; garlic, 7c lb.

APPLES—Select, $2.25; fancy, $1.75@2.00; choice, $1.25@1.50; ordinary, 90c@$1.00.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, new, $1.85@4.25; bananas, 5c per lb; crated, 6½c; lemons, $2@3.50 box; grapefruit, $2.50@3.50; pineapples, $4 dozen; pears, fancy, $1.50@1.75; tangerines, $1.25 a box.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, new, 50@60c, sack; carrots, 50c per sack; beets, 65@75c per sack; parsnips, 85c@$1; cabbage, $1.25@1.60; tomatoes, Mexican, $2.75@3.00; beans, 15c; cauliflower, California, $1.75@2.00 per crate; peas, 14c; horseradish, 8c lb; artichokes, 75c@$1.00 dozen; green onions, 40c dozen; peppers, bell, 25c; Chile, 15c lb; hothouse lettuce, 50c@$1.25 box; head lettuce, 65c dozen; cucumbers, hothouse, $2.50 dozen; radishes, 25c doz. bunches; eggplant, 20c lb; celery, $4.25@4.75 crate; cranberries, eastern, $9@10.50; sprouts, 8½@9c lb; asparagus, 25c lb; spinach, 90c box.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—California and Hawaiian—Cube, $6; powdered, $5.85; berry, $5.65; dry granulated, $5.65; XXX granulated, $5.40; conf. A., $5.65; extra B., $5.15; golden C., $5.05; D. yellow, $4.95; beet granulated, $5.45; barrels, 15c; half barrels, 30c; boxes, 55c advance on sack basis.

(Above prices are 30 days net cash quotations.)

HONEY—$3.60 per crate.

COFFEE—Package brands, $15.88@16.63.

SALT—Coarse—Half ground, 100s, $12.50 per ton; 50s, $14.00; table, dairy 50s, $19.00; 100s, $18.75; bales, $2.50; imported Liverpool, 50s, $20.00; 100s, $19.00; 4s, 18.00; extra fine barrels, 2s, 5s and 10s, $4.50@5.50; Liverpool lump rock, $20.50 per to; 50-lb rock, $13.50; 100s, $13.00.

(Above prices apply to sales of less than car lots. Car lots at special prices subject to fluctuations.)

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 5½@5⅝c; New Orleans, head, 7c; Ajax, 5c; Creole, 5⅝c.

BEANS—Small white, $4.25; large white, $4.10; pink, $4.10; bayou, $3.90; Limas, $6.50; Mexican reds, 4½c.

NUTS—Peanuts, Jumbo, 7c per lb; Virginia, 6⅝c per lb; roasted, 9c per lb; Japanese, 6¼@6½c; roasted, 8½c per lb; walnuts, California, 18c per lb; pine nuts, 15c per lb; hickory nuts, 10c per lb; brazil nuts, 15c per lb; filberts, 15c per lb; fancy pecans, 16@20c per lb; almonds, 16c.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS—Front street—Hogs, fancy, 7½@8c lb; ordinary, 7c, large, 6½@7c lb; veal, extra, 9½@10c; per lb; ordinary, 9c per lb; heavy, 7@8c per lb; mutton, fancy, 11c per lb.; spring lamb, 13@15c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 12 lbs., 12½c per lb; 14 to 16 lbs., 12c per lb; 18 to 20 lbs., 12c; breakfast bacon, 15½@22½c per lb; picnics, 9c per lb; cottage roll, 10c per lb; regular short clears, smoked, 11c per lb; unsmoked, 10c per lb; clear backs, unsmoked, 10c; smoked, 11c; Union butts, 10 to 13c lb; unsmoked, 12c per lb; smoked, 13c per lb; clear bellies, unsmoked, 12½c per lb; smoked, 13½c per lb; shoulders, 10c; per lb; pickled tongues, 70c each.

LOCAL LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 12½c per lb; 5s, 12⅝c per lb; 50-lb. tins, 12c per lb; steam rendered, 10s, 11½c per lb; 5s, 11⅝c per lb; compound, 10s, 8¾c per lb.

FISH—Rock cod, 12½c lb; flounders, 6c per lb; halibut, 5c per lb; striped bass, 15c per lb, catfish, 11c per lb, salmon, chinoon, 12c lb; steelhead, 11c per lb; frozen, 9c; herrings, 5c lb; soles, 7c lb; shrimps, 10c per lb; perch, 6c per lb; tomcod, 11c per lb; lobsters, 25c per lb.; fresh mackerel, 8c per lb; crawfish, 25c per dozen; sturgeon, 12½c per lb; black bass, 20c per lb; silver smelt, 6@7c per lb; Columbia smelt, 6c; black cod, 7½c lb; crabs, $1.00@1.50 dozen; shad, 10c.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon, $2.50; per 100-lb sack, $5.00; Olympia, per gallon, $2.40; per 100-lb sack, $6.00@6.50; Eagle, canned, 60c can; $7 dozen; eastern in shell, $1.75 per hundred.

CLAMS—Hardshell, per box, $2.40; razor clams, $2.00 per box; 10c per doz.

Paints, Coal Oil, Etc.

ROPE—Pure manila, 13c; standard, 11½c; sisal, 9¾c; I. B. sisal, 8½c.

Coal Oils—

	Iron Bbls.	Cases.	Wood Bbls.
Water White	11 c	....	15 c
Pearl Oil	....	18½c	....
Head Light	12½c	19½c	16½c
Eocene	....	21½c	....
Special W. W.	14½c	....	18½c
Elaine	....	28 c	....
Extra Star	....	21½c	....

Gasoline—

	Iron Bbls.	Cases.
V. M. and P. Naptha	12½c	19½c
Red Crown Gasoline	18½c	25½c
Motor Gasoline	18½c	25½c
86 per cent Gasoline	30 c	37½c
No. 1 Engine Distillate	10 c	17 c

BENZINE—86 deg., cases, 25c per gal; iron bbls 23c per gal.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 72c per gal; wood bbls, 69½c per gal.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls 52c, cases 58c; boiled, bbls 54c, cases 60c a gal; lots of 250 gallons 1c less.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 7¾c per lb; 500-lb lots, 8c per lb; less lots, 8¼c.

WIRE NAILS—Present basis at $3.10.

Northwest Bank Statement.

PORTLAND.

Clearings today	$851,865.28
Clearings year ago	986,903.26
Balances today	105,581.42
Balances year ago	178,085.30

TACOMA.

Clearings	509,195.00
Balances	52,547.00

SEATTLE.

Clearings	1,120,840.00
Balances	120,955.00

Potlatch Closes Two Camps.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Palouse, Wash., March 7.—The Potlatch Lumber company has suspended operations in two of its camps in the woods and as a consequence 100 or more loggers thronged out, making a stop of a couple of days in this city. The company now has many millions of feet in logs cut and there will probably be but slight activity in the woods for some time.

New York Dairy Markets.

New York, March 7.—Butter, steady; best creameries, 31c. Cheese, steady; 16c. Eggs, steady, 21@22c.

Chicago Dairy Markets.

Chicago, March 7.—Butter, steady; creameries, 21@28c. Eggs, steady; western firsts, 1Ac; cheese, strong, 11¾@13¾c.

HOG DEMAND IS RULING GOOD

Steady Tone Continues in Yards With Small Receipts—Cattle Sell.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Today	104	...	...
1907	...	30	...
1906	90	9	...
1905	500	81	1125

Portland Union Stockyards, March 7.—There remains quite a steady demand for hogs in the local market with a continuance of the former small run. The market is following closely the net results obtained in the east. On a whole the prices there have been steady; the losses of one day being made up by advances the next 24 hours.

The cattle market is good and steady but the tone could scarcely be called strong at this time even though another day passed without arrivals in the yards. All recent arrivals have been moved at the printed prices.

For sheep the market is nominal; prices seeming to be about steady. Receipts have been unusually small of late but larger runs are expected in the near future with the opening of the shearing season. Today 25 head of horses arrived in the yards.

A year ago today the tone began to show a change in both hogs and cattle. From weakness the tone began to get back to steadiness. Sheep held well. All values unchanged for the day.

Official yard values today:

Hogs—Best stuff, $5.35@5.50; stockers and china fats (—); block, $5.00@5.25.

Cattle—Best eastern Oregon steers, $4.35@4.50; medium, $4.00@4.25; cows and heifers, $3.50@3.65; bulls, $2.25@3.00.

Sheep—Best wethers, $5.75@6.00; lambs, $6.00@6.50; ewes, $5.00@5.50.

HOGS ARE UP AGAIN.

Eastern Price Is Advanced 5c—Cattle and Sheep Are Steady.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Chicago, March 7.—Hogs, 14,000; cattle, 300; sheep, 3,000. Hogs are 5c higher. Left over yesterday, 2,800; mixed, $4.40@4.70; heavy, $4.55@4.70; rough and heavy, $4.35@4.45; light, $4.30@4.62½.

Cattle—Steady.

Sheep—Steady.

Kansas City, March 7.—Hogs, 6,000; cattle, 200; sheep, none.

Omaha, March 7.—Hogs, 4,700; cattle, 100; sheep, none.

PRICE OF NEVADA SHARES IN FRISCO

San Francisco, March 7.—Last night's closing prices:

GOLDFIELD DISTRICT.

Sandstorm 28c, Red Top Ext. 13c, Columbia Mt. 23c, Jumbo Ext. 40c, Silver Pick 30c, Black Butte Ext. 3c, Atlanta 29c, Great Bend 39c, Florence $4.37, Diam. B. B. Cons 19c, F. Mohawk 25c, Red Hill 30c, Lou Dillon 4c, Yellow Rose 3c, Goldf. Cons. $5.50.

TONOPAH DISTRICT.

Ton. Nevada $5.50, Ton. Montana $1.75, MacNamara 35c, Ton. Belmont $1.40, Ton. North Star 10c, Jim Butler 33c.

MANHATTAN DISTRICT.

Little Joe 8c, Granny 5c, Jumping Jack 30c.

SCATTERED DISTRICTS.

Nevada Hills $1.25, Pittsburg Silver Peak $1.20.

SPOKANE MINING EXCHANGE

Good Tone Continues to Rule in Coeur d'Alene Share List.

(Furnished by Downing-Hopkins company, members Spokane Mining exchange.)

Spokane, March 7.—Official prices:

	Bid.	Ask.
Ajax	10	17
Alameda	3	4¼
Alhambra	6	7
Alberta Coal & Coke	20	30
Am'n Commander	4	7
Bell	4	8
Bullion	5½	7
Chas. Dickens	17¼	17½
Can. Cons. Smelter	62	66
Copper King	3	4
Dominion Copper	190	250
Evolution	1¾	2¾
Echo	1	2¼
Galbraith Coal	22	27
Gertie	2¾	4½
Granby Smelter	80	....
Hecla	275	350
Happy Day	4¾	4¾
Holden G. & C.	4	4¾
Humming Bird	5	7½
Hypotheek	1¼	2
Idaho Giant	4¼	5¾
Internat'l C. & C.	75	79
Kendall	90	100
Lucky Calumet	14	20
Missoula Copper	6	6¾
Mineral Farm	¾	2¼
Moonlight	2	4
Nabob	3⅝	3⅝
Nine Mile	1¼	1¾
O. K. Cons.	...	2
Oom Paul	6⅝	7½
Panhandle Smelter	3¾	3⅞
Park Copper	1	2¼
Rambler-Cariboo	26	28
Reindeer	1¾	2¼
Rex (16 to 1)	16½	21
Sonora	3½	4½
Snowshoe	10	12
Snowstorm	166	170
Sullivan	1⅝	1½
Sullivan Bonds	40	67½
Stewart	50	90
Tamarack & Ches.	50	100
Wonder	1⅝	1¾

SATURDAY'S SALES.

1,500 Dickens, 17¼; 1,000 Nabob, 3½; 1,000 Panhandle, 3⅞; 1,000 Snowstorm, 166; 3,000 Snowstorm, 168; 5,000 Sullivan, 1½.

Metaline and Idaho Stocks.

See us for information on Coeur d'Alene and other active stocks. Orders executed promptly. The L. Y. Keady Investment Co., 337-39 Chamber of Commerce. Phone Main 1258. A-2659.

Enlarging Milk Plant.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Chehalis, Wash., March 7.—A new engine of 100 horsepower has recently been added to the equipment of the milk condenser. A complete plant for making ice and a refrigerating plant are also being added. Yesterday there was an auction sale of milch cows by a well-known rancher east of the city. Good cows went from $56 to $105 a head. One sold for $96, and others touched near $90.

Northwest Crop Weather.

Western Oregon and western Washington—Fair tonight and Sunday, with light frost tonight; easterly winds.

Eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and Idaho—Fair tonight and Sunday; freezing temperatures tonight.

Liverpool Wheat Market.

Liverpool, March 7.—May wheat closed at 7s 2½d, a net loss of 2d from Friday.

CHICAGO PIT PRICES SLUMP

Wheat Starts Wrong and Goes Downhill Very Fast During Trading.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	98½	96⅞	98⅜	2¼
July	93⅛	90⅞	93½	2⅝

Chicago, March 7.—The bulls did not even have a "look in" at the wheat market today, the closest they came to even catching a glimpse of conditions being at the opening which was ⅛ to ¼c under yesterday. The close was 2¼ to 2⅝c under Friday's final with the market but a fraction above the low mark for the day.

Liverpool was dull and slow and closed with a loss of ½d from yesterday. This influenced the local market but the bears needed little to fill them with thoughts of a lower range.

All through the tumbling tactics of wheat there was quite a firm tone in coarse grains and but a fractional loss is shown for the day as compared with yesterday's closing. Provisions could not stand the strain, however, and values for pork are 15 to 25c lower.

Range by Downing-Hopkins Co.:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	98½	98½	96¼	96⅝
July	93¼	93¼	90⅞	90⅞
CORN.				
May	63⅝	63¾	63⅛	63¼
July	61¾	61⅞	61⅛	61⅛
OATS.				
May	51¾	51¾	51⅛	51⅜
MESS PORK.				
May	1230	1232	1205	1205
July	1265	1267	1240	1240

Chicago Cash Barley.

Chicago, March 7.—Cash barley, 78@92c.

Tacoma Wheat Market.

Tacoma, Wash., March 7.—Wheat (export)—Club, 82c; red, 80c; bluestem, 84c.

VERY SHARP ADVANCE IN NEW YORK STOCKS

Union Pacific Gains 3 1-2 Points and Other Heavy Rises Are Noted.

New York, March 7.—Stocks opened strong and continued firm all day, with trading of good character during the entire session. The volume of business was even greater for today's short session than during the full trading of the past week.

There was an advance of 1¼ in Amalgamated, 1⅜ in American Sugar common, and ½ in Colorado Fuel, which closed at 17 bid. Brooklyn was firm at 41¾, a net advance of 1¼ over yesterday. Other leading issues showed the following advances: U. S. Steel, common ⅛, preferred 1⅝; Atchison 1⅝, Baltimore & Ohio 1⅞, Canadian Pacific 1¾, Louisville 1, Missouri Pacific 1⅛, Pennsylvania 2⅛, Reading 2⅜, Southern Pacific 1⅛, St. Poul 2⅜, Union Pacific 3½, American Smelter 1¾, Northern Pacific 1¼ and Great Northern 1¼ points over yesterday's close.

Range by Downing-Hopkins company:

DESCRIPTION.	Open...	High...	Low...	Closing Bid...
Amal. Copper	50½	51⅝	50½	51⅝
Sugar	116½	119½	116½	119¼
Colo. F. & I.	17¼	17¼	16¾	17
Brooklyn	40⅞	41⅞	40⅞	41¾
People's Gas	87	87½	87	87¼
U. S. Steel, c.	30⅝	31	30⅜	31
do pfd.	93¾	95¼	93¾	95¼
Atchison	68⅞	70⅝	68⅞	70½
Balt. & Ohio	80	81¾	80	81½
Can. Pacific	144¾	147	144¾	146⅞
Erie	12¼	12¼	12⅛	12⅛
Louis. & Nash.	90	91⅛	90	91½
Mo. Pacific	30¼	32	30¼	31⅞
Pennsylvania	114½	116½	114¼	116⅝
Reading	97½	100⅛	97⅛	99⅞
Rock Island	12	12	11¾	11⅞
Southern Pacific	69⅜	70¼	69⅜	70¼
St. Paul	113¼	115⅛	113¼	114⅞
Union Pacific	114	117¾	114	117⅝
Am. Smelter	60½	62	60½	61⅞
N. Y. Central	95⅛	98	95½	98
Northern Pacific	123¼	124⅞	123¼	124½
Anaconda	32¼	32⅞	32	32⅜
Great Northern	119¼	.....	.....	120⅜
Smelter, pfd.	92½	93½	92½	93½
Soo, c.	100¼	102	100¼	102
Ches. & Ohio	27¾	28	27¾	28
Am. Locomotive	35	.....	.....	36
Ontario & West.	30⅜	.....	.....	30½
Rock Island pfd.	23	.....	.....	23¾
Cotton Oil	.....	.....	.....	27
Central Leather	.....	.....	.....	17
Norfolk	.....	.....	.....	60
Southern Ry.	9⅝	9¾	9⅝	9¾
D. & R. G.	16¼	17	16¼	17

Total Sales, 454,500 shares.

FARMERS CONSIDER SACKS AND HIGHWAYS

Whitman County Union Leaves Sacks to Local Unions and Attacks the Present Road Law.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Palouse, Wash., March 7.—With more than 200 farmers and graingrowers of Whitman county in attendance at the convention of the Farmers' Educational and Cooperative union Wednesday, and which was by far the most successful held since the work of the organization was started in this county, the question of sack purchases was the principal topic of discussion, but no final determination was arrived at. The opinion of the majority seemed to be that the problem could best be solved by each local rather than by the county organization. State Organizer Elmore stated that it was practically decided by the various locals to club together and pool their orders and receive bids from the sack dealers, with the understanding that the sacks will be delivered at the most centrally located point.

It was the unanimous decision that candidates for the legislature should be made to pledge themselves for the repeal of the road law as it is at present. No substitute measure was suggested, but it was stated by most of the speakers that if no better law could be framed the one now in existence should be repealed and the old one revived. The principal objection to the law as it stands is, as claimed, that the funds derived from road taxation and bridge improvements are not equally distributed. A committee was appointed to investigate and report at the next meeting.

John D. Atkinson, attorney-general and former state auditor of Washington, has formally announced his candidacy for the Republican gubernatorial nomination at the approaching primary election.

PRICE OF PRODUCE IN S. F. MARKET

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, March 7.—Wheat—No. 1 California club, per cental, $1.57½@$1.60; white milling club, $1.62½@$1.65; white Australian, $1.70@$1.72½; northern bluestem, $1.65@1.67½; northern club, $1.60; inferior grades of wheat, $1.35@$1.50.

Barley—No. 1 feed, $1.35@$1.37½, with some fancy at $1.38¾; common to fair, $1.30@$1.45; brewing and shipping at Port Costa, $1.40@$1.45; chevalier, $1.65@$1.85, according to quality.

Butter—Fresh California extras, 26c; firsts, 25c; seconds, 21½c; fresh packing stock, 18½c; storage, California extras, 25c; firsts, 23c; seconds, 22c; eastern, extras 24½c, firsts 22c, seconds 21c; ladles, eastern 20c, firsts 19c.

Fresh eggs, per dozen—Extras 16c, firsts 15½c, seconds 15c, thirds 14½c.

New cheese, per pound—California flats, fancy 11½c, firsts 11c, seconds 10c, California young America, fancy 13c, firsts 12c; storage, eastern fancy, New York 17½c; Oregon, 12½c.

Potatoes, per cental—Salinas Burbanks, 75c@$1.15; Lompocs, $1@$1.35; Oregon Burbanks, 75c@$1.10; river whites, fancy, 50c@75c; early rose, $1.10@$1.30; river reds, $1.35@$1.40; sweet potatoes, $3.25 per crate.

Onions—Oregon yellows, $3@$3.25; eastern yellow, $2.75@$3.

Oranges, per box—Navels, choice, $1.25@$1.75, with some fancy at $2; tangerines, 85c@$1.25; mandarins, $1.25.

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF NEW YORK BANKS

New York, March 7.—Bank statement: Clearing house members daily average cash, 27.56 per cent.

	Increase.
Reserves	$ 873,300
Less United States	654,300
Deposits	8,076,800
Loans	3,291,500
Specie	3,970,500
Legal tender	*1,078,000
Circulation	*1,971,300

* Decrease.

Non-members actual cash, 27.74 per cent.

	Increase.
Reserves	$4,492,600
Less United States	3,863,800
Specie	4,150,600
Deposits	*2,301,200
Loans	*6,093,200
Legal tender	* 233,300
Circulation	*11,000,000

* Decrease.

Non-members:

	Increase.
Loans	$3,039,700
Specie	468,800
Legal	* 29,800

* Decrease.

	Increase.
Total deposits	$6,595,500
Total deposits, eliminating other banks and trust companies in New York city	284,200
Reserves on deposit	5,752,100

Percentage of legal reserves, 26.20 per cent.

FIGHT TRUST CASES CONTINUED ONE WEEK

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, March 7.—At the request of the district attorney's office the case against Coffroth, Britt and Graney, the moving spirits in the defunct "fight trust," was continued one week this morning by Judge Lawlor. Assistant District Attorney Cook stated that the defendants filed their briefs yesterday, but needed more time for the collection of proper evidence. None of those concerned were in court with the exception of Schmitz and Ruef.

The other three charges of extortion against the ex-boss and the deposed mayor were also continued one week. Schmitz and Ruef, through their attorneys, expressed their willingness to have the cases continued.

The case against the indicted officials of the California Safe Deposit & Trust company was continued for 20 days.

The request of Hiram Johnson, chief of counsel for the defense, for three weeks' time was denied by the court and the shorter period substituted.

ALFONSO MAKES NEW RULES FOR COURT

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Madrid, March 7.—King Alfonso's courtiers are expressing much dissatisfaction at his majesty's order reducing the period of festivities in honor of the announcement of the stork's expected return to the royal family, from three to two days.

The king is much more anxious to simplify the court ceremonial than are his old-fashioned advisers to see innovations in what they regard as almost sacred customs.

Dr. Conde San Eugenio, who visits the queen daily at Seville, says her majesty's health is all that can be desired. The stork is looked for in July. He brought the crown prince May 10 last year.

ELUSIVE SWINDLER BREAKS JAIL AGAIN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Monterey, Cal., March 7.—Walter C. Smith, alias Harold Radcliffe, who passed a number of worthless checks in this city and Pacific Grove has escaped from jail here. The prisoner had been brought to Monterey for examination on two charges.

Pending his departure for Salinas, Sheriff Nesbitt placed Smith in the city jail. Workmen had been engaged in putting in a sewer and had cut a hole in the wall large enough for a man to crawl through. The sheriff did not know of this hole in the wall and gave his prisoner the freedom of the corridor. When Nesbitt went to the jail for his prisoner the man had vanished.

Smith escaped from the county jail at Salinas and was at large about two months. The sheriff and his deputies are searching the surrounding country today for Smith.

MAKES RECORD RUN UP MOUNT WILSON

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Pasadena, Cal., March 7.—Bursting into the dining-room of the Mount Wilson hotel, dressed only in light running costume, Paul Reinwald of Los Angeles, this morning claimed the record for the run up the mountain. He made the trip up the trail in one hour and 43 minutes, lowering his own record seven and one half minutes. The record is a wonderful one, in the face of the fact that half the trail is covered with snow. After a rest of 15 minutes, Reinwald started down the trail on the return run. The distance up the mountain side is nine miles and the ascent is 5,000 feet.

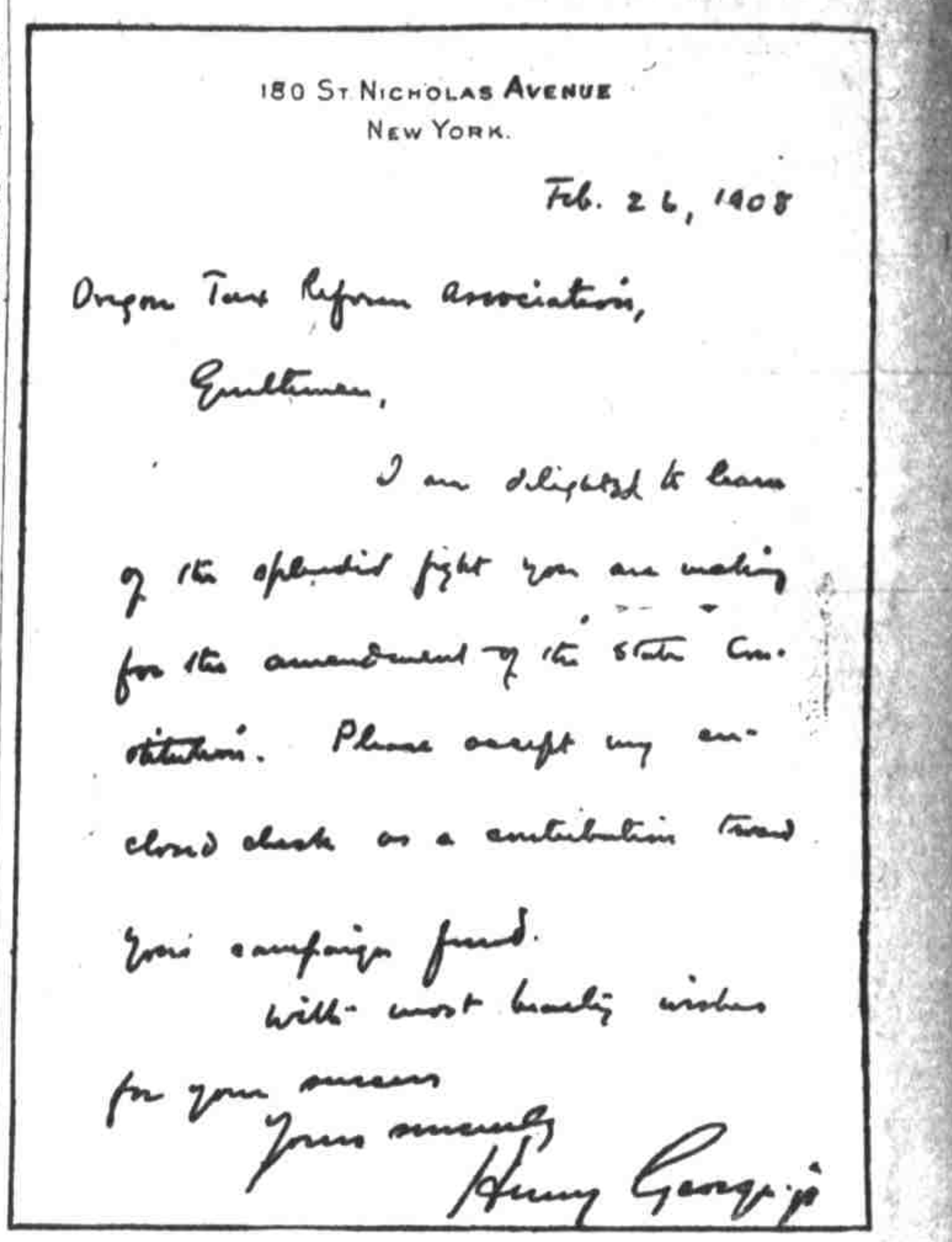
PARENTS JAILED FOR LETTING BABE STARVE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Valdez, Alaska, March 7.—For allowing their infant girl to starve to death, Andrew Hanson of Unga, and his native wife, are now in the federal jail charged with negligent homicide. They left the little girl, three months old, in care of another small child and went to Sand Point, a nearby camp, where they remained for three days. When they returned the infant was found dead from starvation and neglect and the other child was in a pitiable condition.

Republicans of New Mexico will hold their territorial convention at Silver City, March 21, to select delegates to the national convention at Chicago.

FAMOUS SINGLE TAXER'S SON SENDS CHECK WITH HIS LETTER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Feb. 26, 1908

Oregon Tax Reform Association,

Gentlemen,

I am delighted to learn of the splendid fight you are making for the amendment of the State Constitution. Please accept my enclosed check as a contribution toward your campaign fund.

With most hearty wishes for your success

Yours sincerely

Henry George jr

Henry George Jr., son of the famous expounder of the doctrine of the single tax, has sent his encouragement to the leaders of the Oregon Tax Reform association in both a verbal and a substantial manner. Mr. George compliments the association on the work it is doing and sends a check to aid in the campaign for the principle.

William P. Hill, president of the Referendum league of Missouri, has also sent a check for $50 to aid the Tax Reform association in its work.

STRAY TOPICS FROM NEW YORK

New York, March 7.—The marriage license bureau, which has now been in existence two months, has proved to be one of the busiest as well as most popular departments in the city. The number of clerks has been increased to meet the demand, which on some mornings has been so great that a license has been issued every 72 seconds from 9 till 12. It is not an uncommon sight to see 200 smiling, blushing couples standing in line waiting their turn. In this line every nationality is seen, and persons from every station in life. Through some "pull," however, the two members of New York's "four hundred" who have applied for licenses this year have managed to escape the long line. They were Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, who married Count Szechenyi, and Miss Cornelia Harriman, daughter of the railroad magnate, who married Robert Livingston Gerry last Tuesday. In appreciation of this courtesy, one of the special policemen who helped Miss Vanderbilt and the count to get a license without delay, received a beautiful set of amethyst studs and links. Others, however, have to wait their turn in line, and life is made miserable for them by a crowd of installment sharks, who try to sell them the bride's bouquet or wedding ring, or offer to fit out their new home from cellar to garret with everything from a rolling pin to a grand piano, for a dollar down and a dollar a week.

New York lost her only real, live polar bear last week, when "Peary," the only animal of his kind in the city, passed away in his apartment at the Bronx zoo. Death was due to heart disease, pneumonia, or fatty degeneration of the heart, but be that as it may, "Peary" was found stretched out on a cake of ice, his paws folded over his breast and a smile on his lips, as dead as dead could be. He will be greatly missed by the thousands who visit the zoo every year, but probably will not be deeply mourned by his hairy friends, for he was a murderer. The tragedy occurred in the same apartment in which "Peary" died. While the big fellow slept, Miss Minnie Borealis, a sweet young thing weighing only 742 pounds, a native of Peary's own country, was placed in his dwelling. Peary awakened and saw what was foisted upon him as his better half. He seized her by the neck and strangled her to death. As Minnie cost $1,000, no more brides fell to the portion of Peary. He remained a sullen celibate until his death.

Two brothers who have been hunting for each other for 30 years were introduced in the Fifth Avenue hotel a short time ago, and after a few minutes' conversation separated without knowing they were of the same kith and kin. The two brothers were separated after being placed in an orphan asylum in 1878, and one had later been adopted and taken another name. This was the reason that the introduction failed to disclose their identity, so that James Henshaw is still hunting for his long lost brother.

For 27 years William Cullen Bryant Kemp has been a student at Columbia university, and unless he decides to work for a living he is sentenced for life to be a student. A quarter of a century ago a rich relative died leaving Kemp an annuity of $2,500 with the provision that he might have this amount only so long as he remained a registered student. Ever since then Kemp has been trying not to graduate and not to use up all the 250 courses in the curriculum before he died. He is able now to write half a dozen degrees after his name and before he dies he will probably have a list of titles that will resemble the entire alphabet.

Some years ago Kemp applied to the court to have the will so contrued that he might leave the university and marry and still draw his annuity. This was not allowed, however, so Kemp has remained unmarried, and still prefers the classic halls of Columbia to taking any chances of making wealth and fame abroad.

Of the many magazines of every description published in New York none is more unique than the one that is prepared for the men and women who are blind. It is published exclusively for the blind and has an editorial staff and compositors made up almost entirely of blind people. It is known as the Matilda Zeigler magazine and is published every month at No. 306 East Fifty-third street. The preparation of the magazine is unique. The raised points and dots in which the language of the blind is written are first made on a brass plate by means of a machine called the "stereograph" which is worked by a blind operator. After a brass plate is finished the points are transferred to a specially prepared paper in which the points dry in strong enough to resist pressure. The sheets then have to be dried very carefully before they are bound into magazine shape.

Two stalwart policemen with two prisoners, all wheeling doll baby carriages, attracted a tremendous crowd in the Bronx last week. The men were arrested at Hunt's Point for stealing the carriages from the cars in the New Haven yards, and they were obliged to walk four miles to the stationhouse. A big crowd collected and followed the men, all of whom were of gigantic proportions, as they walked along, each pushing a tiny carriage.

William Christie, a real estate broker in New York, who is being sued by his wife for divorce, admitted in the court the other day that he had made some queer threats in the course of his married life. He owned up to the statement that he had threatened to put his wife on ice and make her and the children eat snowballs. His defense, however, was that it was all a joke that he might get even with his wife for having to build fires, cook his own meals, and in spite of all this be called a loafer.

A wave of crime is still sweeping over Gotham in spite of all the "fads and fancies" that have been added to New York's police force. Recently the wealthy section of Fifth avenue has been the center of attack, but in spite of extra precautions thefts have been committed right under the noses of the policemen. The recent innovations in the system have been the placing of police dogs in some of the outlying sections of Brooklyn and the establishment of a language school for detectives that they might learn French, German, or Italian. So far there have been 10 volunteers who attend the language school for an hour four times a week. When they have learned their language they will help out in interpreting and work on cases involving foreigners. The suggestion of police dogs came from Belgium, while the language school was an idea that has been worked out in Paris. In the meantime Gothamites are locking up their silver and valuables every night, for neither the language school or the police dogs seems to afford them sufficient protection against the plain ordinary burglar who opens the back window with a jimmy, helps himself, and gets away unmolested.

After 20 years of effort the Association of National Stogie Makers of America succeeded in arranging for a joint conference with the executive board of the American Federation of Labor, and the meeting resulted in the recognition of the stogie makers as a part of the American Federation of Labor by that body and the cigarmakers' union.

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