TODAY'S MARKETS

Depression in Hides and Leather Price Is Not Local but Has Hold of Markets of Both Europe and America Just Now.

SHORT SELLERS HAVE FOXY GAME

Hop Manipulators Would Put Up Prices Artificially to Work Growers.

Front street features:
Hop shorts to work game.
Dressed lambs need more care.
Egg market is steadier.
Chickens are cleaning up.
Strawberry market down again.
Sisal rope is down ¼c.
Fruit jar demand is heavy.
Garlic moves to 25c pound.
Potato trade not so liberal.
Bananas are reported in.
Cherry supplies are liberal.
Creamery butter grows weaker.
Some quoting cheese lower.

Hop Shorts to Work Game.

The same old game which proved so successful in allowing the short sellers of hops to make fortunes while the growers were impoverished last season will be played this year. Already the wind is pointing that way, the lines are being cast and within a few weeks the shorts will begin a systematic campaign to put old hops higher. In this they will be quite safe, because most of the hops are already out of the hands of growers, so the financial outlay in boosting prices can scarcely be considered.

The scheme to be worked will be identical to the one played at a most opportune time in 1907 and the schemers count upon the growers falling into the same trap. For awhile the shorts will be content with boosting prices on 1907s a fraction, then another fraction will be added and perhaps another. All this time the shorts will advise the growers that they had better watch the market because prices will likely go still higher. This will keep the growers from selling what few hops they still retain and will allow the shorts to carry on their campaign to force growers to pick their crop, without the former incurring any expense.

Yards Are Finely Cultivated.

There has never been a year when the yards in this state were so finely cultivated in general as this season. Growers see that the dealer-growers are cultivating their yards, so are content to take the chances and do likewise. Many of them are now borrowing money by mortgaging their farms in order to insure cultivating and picking expenses later in the year. The growers are receiving many letters from the shorts telling them that prospects were getting brighter and they advise the producer to remain in business a few years at least as a trial. By this time the shorts will have covered all their contracts and will scarcely care whether the growers go to the wall or not.

In some sections the yards are so finely cultivated that they look as if they had been attended to by professional landscape gardeners. According to Oscar Weidner of O. Weidner & Co. the yards along the Southern Pacific west side road are in perfect condition and many of them have already been strung.

Brewers Stock Up With Cheap Hops.

As has been told in The Journal during late weeks, brewers continue to stock up quite heavily with cheap priced hops. Sales are again quite fair with most of the transactions reported at 3@4c a pound. Kola Neis has taken on about 250 bales at these figures and Dorcus yesterday purchased 150 bales at Grants Pass around 3¼c a pound. Harry L. Hart has purchased a number of lots recently around 3@4c and states that 4¼c is about the top in the open market at this time.

Egg Market Is Steadier.

A steadier tone is ruling in the local egg market along the street. Supplies are still quite fair, but demand continues good.

Chickens are selling quite fair along the street at 14@15c a pound, the latter for straight coops of fancy hens. A few coops of ducks and geese are reported in again. Turkeys are wanted, but none care to ship.

Creamery buttermakers report an easier tone ruling and the decline in price is drawing very close.

Cheese is quoted lower by some, although supplies are scarcely heavier than demand.

Brief Notes of the Trade.

Garlic has moved up to 25c a pound because of the very small supplies offering.

California Bermuda onions are now rolling in this direction and will sell lower than those from Texas.

Shippers report temporary quiet in the purchases of potatoes.

Several cars of bananas are reported in this morning.

Cherry supplies from the south are more liberal. Price $2 per 10-pound box.

California strawberries are in slightly larger supply and the price has dropped to $2 again.

Sisal rope is down ¼c a pound today.

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

Grain, Flour and Hay.

FLOUR—Eastern Oregon patents 4.65; straights, $3.85; exports, $3.45@$3.60; valley, $4.45; graham, ¼s, $4.15; whole wheat, $4.40; rye, 50s, $5.50; bales $3.

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.

CHITTIM BARK—4@4½c.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER FAT—Delivery f. o. b. Portland; sweet cream, 23½c; sour 21½c lb.

BUTTER—Extra creamery, 25c; fancy 22½@23½c; ordinary, 22½c; store, 16c lb.

EGGS — Extra fancy, candled, 17c.

CHEESE—Full cream, flats, 14½c; half skimmed, 13c lb; Young Americas, 15½c per lb; California Young Americas, 15c; flats, 14c lb.

POULTRY — Mixed chickens, 14@14½c lb; fancy hens, 14½@15c; roosters, old, 10c per lb; fryers, $4.50@6 doz; broilers, $4@5; geese, old, 8@9c lb; turkeys, alive, 15@17c per lb; dressed, 19@20c lb; squabs, $2.50 dozen; pigeons, $1.25 dozen; dressed poultry, 1@1½c per lb. higher.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1907 crop, first prime, 4½@5c; prime, 4½c; medium to prime, 4c; medium, 3@4c lb; 1906 crop, ½@1½c lb; contracts, 1908, 8@8½c lb.

WOOL—1908—Willamette valley, 12½@15c.

MOHAIR—1908—Nominal, 18@18½c.

HIDES—Dry hides, 12@13c lb; salt, 4@5c; green, 1c less; calves, green, 5@7c; kips, 5c lb; bulls, green salt, 2½@3½c lb.

SKEEPSKINS — Shearing, 15@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.

Fruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES—Select, 75c, selling; buying, Willamette valley, 45@50c; eastern Multnomah and Clackamas, 50@55c per cwt; sweets, 3¾@4c; new potatoes, 5c.

ONIONS—Jobbing price, best Oregon, $5.00; seconds, $4.00@4.25; Texas, $2.75 per 50 lb. crate; 5 crate lots, $2.65 crate; garlic, 25c lb.

APPLES—Select, $3; fancy, $2.25@2.50; choice, $2.00; ordinary, $1.25@1.50.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, $2.25@2.75; bananas 5¼c per lb; crated, 6c; lemons, $2@3.50 box; grapefruit, $2.50@3.50; pineapples, $4@6 doz; tangerines, $1.25 box; strawberries, $2 per 15-box crate.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, new, 50@60c sack; carrots, 50c sack; beets, $1 sack; parsnips, 85c@$1; cabbage, $1.50@2; tomatoes, California, $2.25; Mexican, $2; beans, 15c; cauliflower, Oregon, 50c@$1 doz.; peas, 5@6c; horseradish, 8c lb; artichokes, 50@75c doz; green onions, 15c doz; peppers, bell, 25c; Chile, 15c lb; hothouse lettuce, $1@1.50 box; head lettuce, 25@30c doz; cucumbers, hothouse, local, $1.50@1.75 doz; radishes, 15c doz. bunches; rhubarb, Oregon, 3@4c lb; celery, $4.50@4.75 crate; cranberries, eastern, $9.00@10.50; sprouts, 8c lb; asparagus, Oregon, 6@7c lb; 80@85c dozen bunches; spinach, 80@90c box.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—California & Hawaiian Refinery—Cube, $6.80; powdered, $6.65; berry, 6.55; dry granulated, 6.45; XXX granulated, $6.35; conf. A., 6.45; extra B., $6.00; golden G., $6.50; D., yellow, $5.75; beet granulated, $6.25; 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, $15.38@16.63.

SALT—Coarse—Half ground, 100s $13.50 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, 5¾@5⅞c; New Orleans, head, 7c; Ajax, 5c; Creole, 5⅞c.

BEANS—Small white, $4.35; large white, $4.35; pink, $3.85; bayou, $3.85; Limas, $5.85; Mexican reds, 4½c.

NUTS— Peanuts, Jumbo, 7c per lb; Virginia, 6¾c 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, 8c lb; ordinary, 7@7½c; large, 5@6c; veal, extra, 8½@9c per lb; ordinary, 8½c per lb; heavy, 7@8c per lb; mutton, fancy, 11c per lb.; spring lamb, with pelts, 10@11c; without pelts, 12@15c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 12 lbs., 15c per lb.; 14 to 16 lbs., 14½c per lb.; 18 to 20 lbs., 14½c; breakfast bacon, 14@22c per lb; picnics, 10c per lb; cottage roll, 11c lb; regular short clears smoked, 11½c per lb; unsmoked, 10½c per lb; clear backs, unsmoked, 10½c; smoked, 11½c; Union butts, 10 to 13c lb; unsmoked, 12c per lb; smoked, 13c per lb; clear bellies, unsmoked, 13c per lb; smoked, 14c per lb; shoulders, 11c per lb; pickled tongues, 70c each.

LOCAL LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 12¾c per lb; 5s, 12⅞c per lb; 50-lb tins, 12¾c per lb; steam rendered, 10s, 11¾c per lb; 5s, 11⅞c per lb; compound, 10s, 8¾c per lb.

FISH—Rock cod, 12½c lb; flounders, 6c per lb; halibut, 8c per lb; striped bass, 15c per lb; catfish, 11c per lb; salmon, chinook, 9c per lb; steelhead, 7c per lb; herrings 5c per lb; soles, 7c per 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; sturgeon, 12½c lb; black cod, 7½c lb; crabs, $1.00@1.50 dozen; shad, 5c; roe shad, 10c; shad roe, 25c lb.

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, 9½c; I. B. sisal, 8¾c.

Coal Oils—

	Iron Bbls.	Cases.	Wood Bbls.
Water White	10½c	.....	14½c
Pearl Oil	.....	18 c	.....
Head Light	12½c	19½c	.....
Eocene	.....	21 c	.....
Special W. W.	14 c	.....	18 c
Elaine	.....	28 c	.....
Extra Star	.....	21 c	.....

Gasoline—

	Iron Bbls.	Cases.
V. M. and P. Naphtha	12½c	19½c
Red Crown Gasoline	15½c	22½c
Motor Gasoline	15½c	22½c
86 per cent Gasoline	30 c	37½c
No. 1 Engine Distillate	9 c	16 c

BENZINE—86 deg., cases, 19½c per gal; iron bbls, 12½c per gal.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 72c per gal; wood bbls, 69c per gal.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls 49c; cases 55c; boiled, bbls 51c; cases 57c 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.

OLD SOL SAYS DRESS LAMBS THOROUGHLY

Old Sol is shining too brightly these days to admit of further shipments of lambs with their pelts on to the Front street markets. From this time forth shipments should be made dressed and the chances are that the meat will arrive in good condition here. Care should be taken to wrap the lamb in a clean cloth to insure it arriving in best shape and obtaining the best price.

HOUSEWIVES FIGURE ON PLENTY OF FRUIT

Fruit jars are moving quite freely these days and are gentle reminders that the fruit season is rapidly approaching. The sales of jars to date this season are showing some increase over a year ago, thus indicating that the housewife in the wisdom of her ways feels quite sure that we are going to have good fruit crops this season.

PRODUCE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese Holding Steady—Oregon Potatoes Hold.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, April 29.—Butter (per pound)—California fresh, extras, 22c; firsts, 21½c; seconds, 21c; packing, No. 1, 19½c; do No. 2, 18½c.

Eggs (per dozen—California fresh, including cases, extras, 21c; firsts, 19c; seconds, 17c; thirds, 16c; dirties, No. 1, 19c; do No. 2, 17c.

New cheese (per pound)—California flats, fancy, 12c; firsts, 11½c; seconds, 10½c; California Young America, fancy, 13½c; firsts, 12c. Storage—Eastern, fancy New York, 16½c; Oregon, 14c.

Potatoes (per cental)—Lompocs, $1.15@1.25; Oregon Burbanks, 90c@$1.10; River Whites, fancy, 40@85c; Early Rose, $1.25@1.35; River Reds, $1.35@1.40; sweet potatoes, per crate, $2.50@4; new potatoes, per pound, 2¼c.

Onions—Bermudas, per crate, $1.85@2; Australian Browns, per crate, $5@5.50.

Oranges (per box)—Navels, fancy, $2.50@2.75; standard, $2@2.25; tangerines, $1.50@2.

Northwest Bank Statement.

PORTLAND.

Clearings today	$ 815,685.26
Year ago	1,443,597.12
Balances today	121,878.66
Year ago	176,094.22

SEATTLE.

Clearings	$1,527,311
Balances	161,134

TACOMA.

Clearings	$676,291
Balances	85,125

VALUES MADE; THEN UNDONE

Reading Makes Big Spurt Early but Loses Most of It Later in the Day.

New York, April 29.—It was a wave of heavy buying by investors and filling of short orders that forced Reading common somewhat over two points above the closing of yesterday and in turn it was a wave of profit-taking that forced that issue to lose almost all of its early gain.

Reading was the leader of a very spirited market this morning; prices advancing steadily with seemingly no resistance from the sellers. Sales were heavy in the leading issues; the transactions up to 11 o'clock being 436,100 shares, 12 o'clock 621,600, and at 2 p. m. 961,000 shares. The total transactions were among the largest in recent days.

In today's early bulge Reading made a new high mark for the present movement. Money was tighter because of the better demand. The close shows the following advances: Southern Pacific 1¼, Reading ⅜, Amalgamated ¾, St. Paul ⅛. Losses were: Union Pacific ⅜, Northern Pacific ¼, U. S. Steel ¼, Brooklyn ⅛.

Range by Downing-Hopkins Co.

DESCRIPTION.	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal. Copper	60	62⅛	60	60⅞
Sugar	127⅛	127⅜	126¼	126⅜
Col. Fuel & Iron	24⅞	25⅜	24⅝	24⅝
Brooklyn	47⅞	47⅞	46⅞	46⅞
People's Gas	92¼	92⅜	91⅝	91⅝
U. S. Steel com	36	36⅜	36	36⅛
U. S. Steel pfd.	101	101⅜	100¾	101⅛
Atchison	80	81	80	80⅜
Balt. & Ohio	85⅞	87⅜	85⅞	86⅝
Canadian Pac.	156⅞	157⅞	155½	156
Erie	18⅝	18¾	18⅜	18⅛
Louis. & Nash.	104½	105⅜	104	104
Missouri Pac.	46⅝	47⅜	46	46
Pennsylvania	121⅛	121⅝	120½	120⅞
Reading	109⅜	112	109¼	109⅞
Rock Island	16⅛	16⅝	15⅝	15⅝
South. Pacific	79⅞	81	79	79⅞
St. Paul	128¼	129¼	127¼	128
Union Pacific	137½	138⅜	135½	136⅝
Am. Smelter	72	72⅝	71⅛	71⅝
N. Y. Central	101⅛	101⅞	101	101⅛
Nor. Pacific	132⅝	133½	131⅞	132⅛
Anaconda	38⅝	39	38¼	38⅝
Southern Ry.	15¼	15¼	15	15⅛
Soo, common	111⅝	112¼	111⅝	111⅝
Great Nor.	128⅛	.....	.....	127⅛
R. I., pfd.	33⅝	34	31¾	32⅛
Smelter, pfd.	96½	96½	96	96
Ches. & Ohio	34	34	33¾	33⅞
Am. Loco.	47	.....	.....	47
Central Leather	24⅛	.....	.....	24⅛
Norfolk	65⅛	.....	.....	66⅛
Wabash, pfd.	19	19⅝	19	19
Federal Smelter	.....	.....	.....	72
Metropolitan	.....	.....	.....	25

Total sales, 1,132,500 shares.

Money, high 2 per cent, low 1⅝ per cent, close 2 per cent.

SEESAWING PRICES IN NEVADA SHARES

San Francisco, April 29.—Last night's closing prices:

GOLDFIELD DISTRICT.

Sandstorm 35c, Red Top Ext. 14c, Columbia Mt. 21c, Jumbo Ext. 31c, Silver Pick 20c, Black Butte Ext. 1c, Atlanta 24c, Great Bend 45c, Florence $3.95, Diam. B. B. Cons. 16c, Comb. Fraction 66c, St. Mohawk 15c, Red Hill 24c, Yellow Tiger 11c, Yellow Rose 1c, Goldf. Cons. $5.60.

TONOPAH DISTRICT.

Ton. Nevada $7.75, Ton. Montana $1.77, MacNamara 32c, Ton. Belmont $1.13, Ton. North Star 11c, Jim Butler 30c.

MANHATTAN DISTRICT.

Jumping Jack 2c.

SCATTERED DISTRICTS.

Nevada Hills $2.35, Pittsburg Silver Peak $1.10, Eagles' Nest 13c.

ASKED TO ATTEND BY THE CZAR OF RUSSIA

The Portland board of trade is fast taking its place among the leading commercial organizations of the country. Secretary Muller is in receipt of an invitation to send a delegate to attend the eleventh congress of international navigation to be held at St. Petersburg from May 31 to June 7. The affair is held under the patronage of the emperor of Russia. The board is likewise asked to appoint delegates to the international commercial congress to be held at Prague, Bohemia, during September.

SPOKANE MINING EXCHANGE.

Furnished by Downing-Hopkins Co., members Spokane exchange.

Spokane, April 29.—Official prices:

	Bid.	Asked.
Ajax	10	12½
Alhambra	4⅝	5
Alberta Coal & Coke	15	25
American Commander	3	5¼
Bell	5¼	10
Bullion	4⅝	6
Charles Dickens	13½	19
Canadian Cons. Smelter	70	75
Copper King	3¼	3⅝
Dominion Copper	150	200
Evolution	2⅛	2½
Echo	1	1½
Galbraith Coal	....	28
Gertie	2⅛	3½
Granby Smelter	85	....
Hecla	3	....
Happy Day	3	3½
Holden Gold & Copper	4	6
Humming Bird	4½	6½
Hypotheek	1	1½
Idaho Giant	5⅝	7
International C. & C.	72	75
Lucky Calumet	15½	18
Missoula Copper	10	11½
Mineral Farm	1	2⅝
Moonlight	3¼	4
Nabob	3⅞	4
Nine Mile	....	2
O. K. Cons.	1⅛	1½
Oom Paul	3	6
Panhandle Smelter	6⅝	6⅞
Park Copper	1	1½
Rambler-Cariboo	26	27½
Reindeer	2	2½
Rex (16 to 1)	11	13⅛
Sonora	6⅝	7
Snowshoe	....	10
Snowstorm	171	175
Sullivan	....	1
Sullivan Bonds	....	62½
Stewart	100	101
Tamarack & Ches.	86	....
Wonder	1½	2½

Sales—5,000 Echo at 1¼c, 500 Nabob at 4c, 7,000 Panhandle at 6⅝c, 5,000 Panhandle at 6⅞c, 82 Snowstorm at $1.67, 1,000 Sonora at 7c, 2,000 Sonora at 6⅝c, 50 Stewart at $1.

Liverpool Wheat Market.

Liverpool, April 29. — May wheat opened at 7s 2⅛d, closed at 7s 2⅝d, a net loss of ⅛d from yesterday.

Tacoma Wheat Market.

Tacoma, April 29.—Wheat—Export, club, 84c; bluestem, 86c; red, 82c.

OFFER FLOUR AT LOW PRICE

Export Grades Can Be Secured at Less Than Cost of Manufacture.

Considering the price paid for wheat the values on flour at this time are the lowest on record. Export flour is being freely offered by millers at $3.35@3.40, but some millers are willing to let go at $3.25. The reason for this willingness on the part of millers to sell flour at an actual loss is because some of them have feed contracts at high prices which they must fill.

Wheat was steady on the board of trade today, with values unchanged. Holders are not willing to let go at ruling figures and because of the nominal flour trade millers are not anxious to raise their bids.

Eggs were quoted ½c higher on 'change today.

Chickens were firmer.

Sales—50 lbs. fancy dairy butter, 16½c lb.

Offer to sell—50 lbs. dairy butter, fancy, 16½c; 8 sacks parsnips, $1.

Offers to buy—Up to 1,000 lbs. choice creamery butter at 21½c.

Board of trade prices:

Wheat (track prices)—Club, 85@86c; red, 83@84c; bluestem, 87@88c; valley, 85@86c.

Barley—Feed, $24; rolled, $27@28; brewing, $26.

Oats—No. 1 white, $26.50@27; gray, $26.

Millstuffs — Bran, $26; middlings, $30.50; shorts, country, $28.50; city, $26; wheat and barley chop, $27.50.

Butter—Extra, 25c; fancy, 24c; choice, 22½c; store, 16c.

Eggs (loss and commission off)—17@17½c.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

Prices Ascend Despite the Lower Values Ruling at Liverpool.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

	Open.	Close.	April 28.	Gain.
May	97⅛	97¾	96⅞	⅞
July	87⅛	87⅞	86⅞	1

Chicago, April 29.—Considering the early sharp loss at Liverpool today, the wheat market here opened remarkably well, May going to 97⅛c, or ¼c above the final of Tuesday. After the opening the market paused but a moment before renewing its struggle for a higher price range and the session closed with the market close to the top, May showing an advance of ⅞c and July 1c over yesterday.

Corn and provisions were higher but there was slow trade with little price movement in oats.

Range by Downing-Hopkins Co.:

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	97¼	98⅛	97	97¾
July	87⅛	88	86⅞	87⅞

CORN.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	66	67⅛	65⅝	67⅛
July	62½	63⅜	62⅝	63⅜

OATS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	52¼	52⅝	52⅛	52⅝
July	44	....	....	44

MESS PORK.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	1297	1315	1297	1312
July	1332	1350	1330	1347

GRAIN IN SAN FRANCISCO.

May Wheat Is Down—May Barley 5½c Up.

San Francisco, April 29.—Merchants' exchange quotations:

Wheat — May, $1.62½; December, $1.57.

Barley — May, $1.47½; December, $1.36¼.

Cash prices were:

Wheat—No. 1 white, Walla Walla, $1.67½; red Russian, $1.62½; turkey red, $1.70; bluestem, $1.70 per cental.

Barley—No. 1, bright, feed, $1.42½; No. 1 brewing, $1.50 per cental.

Oats—No. 1 white, $1.55 per cental.

Millfeeds — Bran, $30; middlings, $32.50; shorts, $30.50 per ton.

Northwest Crop Weather.

Western Oregon—Fair tonight, warmer south portion; Thursday fair; variable winds, mostly easterly.

Western Washington—Fair tonight and Thursday; variable winds, mostly easterly.

Eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and Idaho—Fair and warmer tonight; Thursday fair.

Chicago Cash Barley.

Chicago, April 29.—Cash barley, 66@78c.

FIRST ANNUAL SALE WILL OPEN FRIDAY

Cattle Arriving for Show—Sheep Weaker Though Unchanged in Price.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Today	45	95	170
1907	225	23	48
1906	204	53	1,092
1905	233	589	580

Portland Union Stockyards, April 29.—The first annual sale of thoroughbred cattle will be held at the stockyards Friday, May 1. Cattle for the sale are arriving daily in the yards and the collection already received is said to be the best ever gathered there under the roof.

The livestock market held former prices today, but there was a continuation of the weakness in sheep. Hogs are firm with small arrivals, likewise cattle.

A year ago today all lines were steady at former prices.

Official yard prices:

Hogs—Best stuff, $6.35@6.50; China fats, $6@6.25; feeders, $5.50@5.75.

Cattle—Select eastern Oregon steers, $5.25; fancy, $5; medium, $4@4.50; best cows and heifers, $4@4.25; medium cows, $3.50@3.75; bulls, $2.50@3; stags, $3@4.

Sheep—Best wethers, $5@5.25; spring lambs, weighing 75 pounds, $6@6.50; ewes, $5; mixed, $4.75@5; yearlings, if fat, (—); shearlings, $5@5.25.

ADD TO HOG PRICES.

Eastern Market Is 5c Higher—Sheep 10c Lower and Cattle Steady.

Chicago, April 29.—Hogs, 21,000; cattle, 15,000; sheep, 2,000. Hogs opened steady. Left over yesterday, 4,000. Mixed, $5.15@5.65; heavy $5.10@5.60; rough, $5.10@5.50; light, $5.15@5.60. Cattle steady to a shade lower. Sheep lower. Hogs closed 5c higher than yesterday's average. Cattle steady. Sheep 10c lower.

Kansas City, April 29.—Hogs, 10,000; cattle, 6,000; sheep 600.

Omaha, April 29.—Hogs, receipts, 9,000; cattle, 3,100; sheep, 15,000.

Yukon Gold Shares.

New York, April 29.—Yukon Gold shares opened on the curb at 4½c, high at 4¼c, low at 4⅝c, closed at 4½.

PASS TIP TO CONDUCTORS TO SHY AWAY FROM BAD DOLLARS

Notices to conductors to be on their guard against the counterfeit coins with which the city has been flooded have been posted in the barns of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company. The conductors are held accountable for all bad money taken in by them, so a number of amateur coin experts have recently been developed.

The dollar pieces are the most numerous. They are supposed to have been set in circulation by the gang of counterfeiters arrested in Vancouver a few days ago. These coins are light weight, though the faces are almost exact facsimiles of the mint money.

The car conductors have found a simple test for the bogus money. When there is any question about the coin's being genuine they use their punch. If the coin did not come from one of Uncle Sam's money factories it breaks in two under the pressure of the punch.

Nearly every day there is a disagreement between a passenger and a conductor over a coin, and though the man who tendered the money usually is wrathy at its being proved worthless, the fact that a punch will have no effect upon genuine money is so well known that he can say but little.

VEGETABLE MAN TURNS GRAFTER IN EFFORT TO DRUM UP TRADE

"Your husband ordered these vegetables from me and said that you would pay for them." Thus the smooth huckster spoke.

"My husband! Why, he has been dead several years," replied Mrs. Ruppold, of Tremont. Then the vegetable man who wasn't a mind-reader took his departure.

But he found one woman with a live husband, Mrs. J. S. Clegg, also of Tremont. He left fruits and vegetables worth 75 cents. On the strength of his representations he was able to collect $2 from her.

This huckster who gets business in spite of everything, is described as a young man not more than 20 years old, with a dark complexion. He is heavily built and has the appearance of an Italian though speaking like an Englishman. He drives a white horse. The police are on the lookout for him, but in the meantime all housewives with living husbands who might possibly order vegetables had better be careful.

MORSE MUST GO BEFORE COURT

Bank Wrecker's Demurrer to Indictment Overruled by Judge Hough.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, April 29—Judge Hough, of the United States circuit court, today overruled the demurrers to the indictments against Charles W. Morse and Alfred H. Curtis in the case of the failure of the National Bank of North America.

The defendants were indicted for conspiracy to defraud and for the misapplication of the bank's funds. The court sustains all the counts of the indictments, declaring it is immaterial whether or not the funds were replaced. Judge Hough also upholds the count of conspiracy on the ground that there is an indication of an attempt to deceive government officials.

NEW BUILDINGS FOR THE WESTON NORMAL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Weston, Or., April 29.—Preliminary plans for two new buildings desired by the Weston state normal are now being prepared, according to President R. C. French of the normal. The two buildings will be needed by the school to house departments that are already in existence or will be created upon the passage of the Wilson bill, now before congress.

One of the buildings is being designed for the training department and for the agricultural laboratories, while the other is wanted for the domestic science and manual training departments. These two buildings will cost in the vicinity of $70,000 and the next legislature will be asked to appropriate money for their construction.

Y. M. C. A. ARCHITECTS NOW AT CORVALLIS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Corvallis, Or., April 29.—Architects E. A. MacNaughton and Raymond of Portland, are in this city with the finished revised plans for the new Y. M. C. A. building at the Oregon Agricultural college. It is confidently expected that bids will be advertised for immediately and that the building will be rushed to completion this summer, after hanging fire for two years or more.

Mr. MacNaughton gave an illustrated lecture in the college chapel last night on "The History of Architecture.

The weekly assembly meeting at the college armory Wednesday, will be addressed by President P. L. Campbell of the U. of O.

YOUNG RANCHER IS LOST IN THE HILLS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Ukiah, Cal., April 29.—After searching the hills between Ukiah and Booneville all night for Carson Hutsell, son of a wealthy rancher of Booneville, more than a score of sheep shearers and cattlemen reported this morning that the mystery of the young man's disappearance is deeper than ever. No trace of him could be found.

Hutsell has been missing for three days, and it is now thought that he is dead. He arrived in Ukiah Friday and the next day he started home on his horse. On Sunday the horse was found alone on the side of a hill. Ever since then the search for Hutsell has been vigorously prosecuted.

BRICKMAKER STABBED BY UNKNOWN ASSASSIN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, April 29. — William Dunne, employed by a brick company at Sandina station, a few miles west of Riveria, was called to the door of his cabin shortly after midnight this morning and stabbed three times by an unknown assailant. The wounded man walked about 100 yards toward the storeroom of the brick company and dropped to the ground. He was found dead an our afterward by Deputy Sheriff Armour. No trace of the murderer has been found and the crime is shrouded in mystery.

Pendleton Hotel Leased.

Pendleton, Or., April 29.—J. S. Fish of The Dalles, former proprietor of the Umatilla house of that city, has leased the Hotel Bowman and will take charge May 1. During the years he conducted the Umatilla house he earned a reputation as a hotelkeeper and it is expected he will make the Bowman one of the leading hotels of the city.

BOSTON COPPER MARKET.

(Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co.)

Boston, April 29.—Offician bid prices:

Adventure	1⅝	Giroux	3⅝
Allouez	25	Old Dom.	35
Atlantic	9¼	Osceola	84
Cal. & Hecla	634	Quincy	82
Cop. Range	67⅝	Shannon	11⅝
Daly West	8⅞	Tamarack	60
Dom. Cop.	1⅝	Victoria	3⅞
C. Ely	8⅝	Winona	4⅞
Gold Hill	⅝	Wolverine	125
Greene	8¾	Butte Coala	22⅞
Michigan	10½	United Cop.	6⅞
Mohawk	47⅛	Trinity	14¼
No. Butte	58⅞	Parrot	19⅝
Nev. Cons.	12⅝	Nippissing	7

Today's Metal Market.

New York, April 29.—Metal quotations: Copper—Lake, 12⅞@12⅞c; electrolytic, 12½@12⅝c; castings, 12¼@12⅝c.

CHIEF'S REPORT GETS WRIST SLAP

Campbell's Contentions Regarding School Building Wiring Not Borne Out.

Accuracy of the report made by Chief Campbell and Fire Marshal Roberts to the city executive board concerning the condition of electric wiring in school buildings is challenged by School Electrician Phillips. A partial investigation seems to bear out Electrician Phillips in his contention.

At the Atkinson school, Campbell and Roberts reported that a joint, or connection, on the motor circuit in the electrician's room in the basement should be taped and soldered. An examination of the connection showed that the fire officials were mistaken. What they had supposed to be connection was nothing more or less than a place on the circuit where Phillips had "skinned" the wire of its insulation for the purpose of getting a connection to be used in testing out armatures and commutators.

Deplores Controversy.

Director Stanley of the manual training department of the school was with Roberts when he visited the school and in the course of a conversation deplored the controversy that had arisen between Roberts and Phillips. Stanley said that Roberts replied to the effect that he had not shown prejudice against Phillips. According to Stanley, Roberts said:

"Why, look at the connection in this building. There is a connection in the basement that should be taped and soldered."

Upon Phillips' return Stanley told him of the report Roberts had made. The two men then proceeded to the motor-room and Stanley pointed out the defect Roberts had complained of. Phillips at once showed Stanley where Roberts had erred; that the "joint" was not a joint, but a place on the wire where he had removed the insulation for the purpose of using it in making tests.

Stanley says that he then called up Roberts and told him of the mistake, and that Roberts then denied he had said it was a joint and requested Stanley to say nothing more about it. The matter was, however, included in the report.

Visit Brooklyn School.

Another school upon which Campbell and Roberts reported was the Brooklyn school. Their report in regard to the electrical system in the Brooklyn school follows:

"Bush motor wires where passing through partition in basement. Some outlets in attic leading to drop lights are not properly bushed."

An examination of the motor circuit and of the outlets in the attic made yesterday afternoon showed that the bushing complained of was properly done according to underwriters' rules at the time the wiring was installed, and so far as danger is concerned affords ample protection.

Bushing is a term used when a porcelain tube, circular loom or other insulating conduit is placed around a wire where it passes through partitions, wooden joists, inflammable material or where one wire crosses another.

At no place in the motor circuit complained of by Roberts and Camubell were the wires not covered with bushing. A careful examination of each outlet in the attic showed that the proper precautions had been taken in placing circular looms about the wires where they pass through the ceiling.

As stated before, the wiring of the Brooklyn school was done years ago and the requirements of the underwriters have changed since as to the quality of insulation to be used. On the motor circuit, rubber bushing is used in several places, but so far as danger is concerned from heat developed in the wire itself this insulation affords as good protection as porcelain or circular loom according to electricians who have had experience in such matters.

Pipes the Real Danger.

The greatest danger from fire in this section of the building is from the hot air pipes. This condition was remedied by Phillips several years ago and additional changes are to be made in the basement by removing the present frame partition and erecting one made of brick. School Architect Jones is now preparing plans for this alteration.

Phillips will also rewire the building according to present day methods. Since accepting his position three years ago, Phillips has wired every new school building in the city, including the east Eide Side High school, has rewired many of the old buildings and at present has but five more to rewire to place them in condition to receive an underwriters' certificate of inspection. The five are Ladd, Brooklyn, Clinton Kelly, D. P. Thompson and Holladay. To perform the work Phillips has had but one man and a boy to aid him.

ROBBER OF BOXCARS UP FOR FOUR YEARS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

La Grande, Or., April 29.—M. Smith, who was arrested a few nights ago while in the act of attempting to sell shoes on the streets which he had stolen from box cars, has been sentenced to four years in the penitentiary by Judge Crawford. Men suspected of box car robbing have been arrested in different parts of eastern Oregon of late in great numbers, and officials believe there is an organized gang.

Idaho Fruit Little Hurt.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Boise, Ida., April 29.—Reports from the country surrounding Boise are to the effect that little damage was done by Sunday's frost. Early reports said practically all the peach and cherry blossoms had been frozen and it was thought the damage would aggregate thousands of dollars in this section.

GEORGE NASEN ONLY GOT HIS

On Inquest His Slayer Is Shown as a Public Benefactor.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Tacoma, Wash., April 29.—At the inquest held over the remains of George Nasen, the Muckleshoot Indian killed Saturday night by Jimmy Mowitch, a Yakima Indian, the jury yesterday afternoon decided that he came to his death at the hands of Mowitch, who in killing him was actuated by great provocation. The verdict practically clears Mowitch, and he will probably not be placed on trial.

A dozen witnesses testified to the ugly moods of Nasen and the fear in which he was held. Their stories showed Nasen invited Mowitch and his wife to his home Saturday evening. Other Indians were there and Nasen was quarrelsome, finally starting a row with Mowitch. In a few moments the fighting was general. In the scrimmage Mrs. Mowitch was terribly beaten by Nasen. The Mowitches were driven off and went home. Nasen followed, and, boldly entering, after fierce fighting, drove the Mowitches from their own home. As Mowitch ran out of the house he snatched a rifle. Nasen ran after him, throwing stones. Pressed hard and finding a fence in front of him, Mowitch stood at bay and shot Nasen. Both Mowitch and Mrs. Mowitch still show the effects of the terrible beating Nasen gave them.

Nasen's wife, who was among the witnesses, corroborated the details of the fighting testified to by the other Indians.

SOCIALISTS PUT FULL TICKET IN FIELD

List of Candidates for County and State Filed With County Clerk.

Socialists of Multnomah county have put a full ticket in the field, the list of the candidates having been filed with the county clerk yesterday afternoon. The full list as filed is as follows:

Prosecuting attorney, J. B. Clark; representative, Seventeenth representative district, F. J. McHenry; state senator, Frank Smith, A. H. Axelson, A. H. Leader, J. D. Stevens and William Noffke;; representative, Eighteenth district, H. L. Summers, Charles J. Foleen, Thomas A. Sladden, G. M. Zahm, Harold Lloyd, F. A. Weyers, R. P. Gabriel, J. A. McDonald, Allan McDonald, John Juopo, A. G. Simola and A. F. Fuchs; county commissioner, L. E. Burgett; sheriff, G. L. Perrine; county clerk, Orrin E. Palmerton; county treasurer, H. Wilson; assessor, J. W. Pettitt; county school superintendent, Roy J. Huvkins; county surveyor, W. L. Strange; coroner, Joseph Franklin; justice of the peace, E. F. Maxwell; constable, J. P. McDonald; justice of the peace, Portland district, J. M. Hoykas and F. J. Riech; constable, George Graffith; justice of the peace, St. Johns district, A. H. McCoy, St. Johns; constable, J. A. Nelson, St. Johns.

FIVE CLERKS PASS CIVIL SERVICE TEST

Only five out of 16 candidates were successful in the city civil service examination for stenographic clerks, according to the findings of the commission at a meeting this morning. The five successful applicants are Martha Bauerle, Marcia Burton, J. F. Bamford, E. A. Ganzmiller, and C. A. Fraser. Three positions to fill from the list are as follows: Clerks in the office of the city auditor, city attorney and civil service commission.

Much criticism has been raised about the examination for stenographic clerks because of the credit given to stenography. This study alone is credited with 50 points out of 100 and stenography is little used by any of the city clerks. Few of the clerks take a letter in shorthand more than once a week, and the greater part of their work is confined solely to reports and indexing.

TALKS TO CROWD FROM HOME PORCH

Her brain fired by liquor furnished by her husband, Mrs. John Nelson created a commotion around her home, 517 Borthwick street, yesterday afternoon. When Patrolman Lillis arrived she was on the second-story porch of the house, preaching to the crowd which had assembled on the street below.

When the policeman attempted to enter, Mrs. Nelson locked the door in the officer's face. The husband, a grainhandler at the Irving dock, was telephoned to come home, and he succeeded in quieting his wife. An empty whiskey bottle and the statements of neighbors that Nelson took home liquor to his wife was sufficient explanation of the woman's derangement.

DIAMOND COMPANY AFRAID OF MINERS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Kimberley, South Africa, April 29.—Officials of the De Beers company demanded military assistance today to protect its offices and buildings from the plot they say exists among the employes to dynamite the company's property for the wholesale dismissals of employes following the temporary collapse of the diamond market.

The company's own armed guards, the officials say are as able to overawe the malcontents as troops would be, and it is urged the employment of a private army tends rather to intensify the idle workmen's feeling against the corporation.

PERSONAL.

Miss Mae E. Newell of Damascus, Oregon, has returned home to spend the summer.

R. R. Butler, a Condon attorney, is at the Imperial.

E. E. Porter of Morrow, a merchant, is at the Imperial.

F. H. Hopkins, a fruitraiser of Central Point, is at the Portland accompanied by Mrs. Hopkins.

Charles K. Henry left last night for Philadelphia where he was called to testify in litigation pending in the Pennsylvania courts that grew out of the sale of the O. W. P. Co. to the Philadelphia bankers.

This Day in Sport Annals.

1884—John Morrissey, once a prominent professional third-baseman, died at Janesville, Wisconsin.

1891—At Chicago, Frank Ives defeated Eugene Carter, 500 to 478, in 14-inch balk-line billiard match for $1,000.

1893—Steamship Campania arrived at New York, having made the run from Queenstown to Sandy Hook bar in 6 days, 8 hours, 34 minutes, the then fastest time for a maiden trip.

1905—At Philadelphia, University of Michigan won the eleventh annual intercollegiate four-mile relay race.

1906—At Athens, in the Olympic games, Skatebo of Norway won the individual rifle championship of the world at 300 meters.