CREAMERY BUTTER IS VERY FIRM TODAY; ADVANCE IS GENERAL

Market Exceedingly Firm in Oregon, California and Washington Owing to Big Call From the Far North for Immediate Delivery.

Portland Wholesale Market.
Eggs move slowly.
Chickens remain slow
Dressed meats quiet.
Strawberries lower.
Gooseberries arriving.
Hop contracts firmer.
Salmon run good.
Butter rise general.
Cheese prices firm.

Great strength is shown in the butter market locally, and the advance of 1c a pound reported yesterday for today was confirmed by all makers. Both city and Willamette valley creameries announce the rise.

The strength in the butter trade here is due to the extremely strong tone that is shown elsewhere. California prices are on a par with those here, and the recent advances along Puget sound have placed those markets to the highest limit.

Demand is coming from the far north, and this is affecting prices in Oregon, California and Washington. The call for butter is so brisk that almost any sort of creamery is selling at the high quotation, or within a mere fraction of it.

According to makers, they are unable to fill all their orders at this ime. Willamette valley creamery interests have received so many calls for their supplies during the past few days that they have practically sold everything before it is made.

HOP CONTRACTS FIRMER

A firmer tone is showing in the local market for hop contracts, and most dealers say they are unable to secure supplies at 26c a pound for 1912s. Spot goods show a small movement with limited supplies available around 39c.

A New York mail advice says of the general situation:

	Bales.
Receipts for week	652
Receipts from September 1	77,569
Exports from September 1	49,245
Imports from September 1	4,295

"Advices from all the hop growing sections are favorable. In New York state the vines are backward because of the cold wet weather, but farmers have been able to work the yards better the past week, as soon as we have a few days of warm weather the growth will be rapid.

"What is true of the favorable outlook in this country is equally true of Europe. It needs only good weather this summer to give the continent a heavy crop, and England is expected to grow a great many more hops this season than last. About 300 bales of medium grades were purchased in this state at 35c. Locally there is but little doing and no change either in the temper of the market or in prices.

State, 1911, prime to choice	41@45
State, 1911, medium to good	35@40
Pac. coast, 1911, prime to choice	41@42
Pac. coast, 1911, medium to good	38@40
Pacific coast, 1910, nominal	30@32
Pacific coast, 1909	25@30
Pacific coast, older growths	15@22
Germans, 1911	80@85

EGGS MOVE LESS LIVELY

Movement of eggs outward is less lively than last week, and in some quarters there is a tendency to shade case count a half cent from last week's closing figures. Regular prices are unchanged.

WEATHER AFFECTING MEATS

Owing to the warm weather, the trade is experiencing difficulty in obtaining best quality dressed meats from the country. The stock does not arrive in first class condition as a rule. The demand is limited.

MORE STRAWBERRIES ARRIVE

Still another carload of strawberries came forward from Los Angeles to the local market today. This makes a total of nine cars from that point to date this season. The market is easier, with Los Angeles selling at $3.25 per bundle of three crates and Florin Dollars selling at $1.75 to $1.85 for best.

GOOSEBERRIES ARE COMING

Gooseberries are beginning to arrive from Willamette valley points, and are finding a fair sale around 10c a pound. The stock is generally of small size, but of good quality.

FORECAST FOR SHIPPERS

Weather bureau sends out the following notice to shippers:

Protect shipments as far north as Seattle against minimum temperatures of about 42 degrees; northeast to Spokane, 40 degrees; southeast to Boise, 34 degrees; south to Siskiyou, 36 degrees. Minimum temperature at Portland tonight, about 42 degrees.

PORTLAND JOBBING PRICES.

Grain, Flour and Hay.

These prices are those at which wholesalers sell to retailers, except as otherwise stated:

WHEAT—Nominal—Producers' prices nominal, track delivery, club, 97c; bluestem, $1.02; red Russian, 69c; Willamette valley, 98c.

BARLEY—Producers' prices—1911—Feed, $35.00; rolled, $36.00; brewing, $39.00@40.00.

MILLSTUFFS—Selling price—Bran, $25.00; middlings, $32.00; shorts, $27.50.

OATS—Producers' price—Nominal—Track No. 1, spot delivery, white $39, gray $38.50.

FLOUR—Selling price—Patent, $5.10; Willamette, $5.10; local straight, $4.50; bakers', 4.90@5.10; export grades, $4.10@4.20.

HAY—Producers' price—1911 crop—Valley timothy, fancy, $14.50@15; ordinary, $13@14; eastern Oregon, $16.00@17; Idaho, $16@17; mixed $13@14; clover, $9@10; wheat, $11@11.50; cheat, $11@11.50; alfalfa, $12.50@13; oats, $11@11.50.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER—Nominal; extra creamery, cubes and tubs, 27c; prints, 28½c; dairy, 18@19c.

BUTTER FAT—Producers' price—F. o. b. Portland, per lb., 27c.

EGGS—Candled, extras, 22c dozen; uncandled, 20½c; spot buying price, 20c f. o. b. Portland.

LIVE POULTRY—Fancy hens, 13c; broilers, 25c; geese, 10@12c; spring ducks, 20@21c; old ducks, 14@15c; turkeys, 18c; dressed, 20@25c; pigeons, old, $1; young, $2@2.50 per dozen.

CHEESE—Nominal: fresh Oregon fancy, full cream, triplets and daisies, 17c; young Americas, 18c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES—Selling price Extra choice, $1.25; choice, $1.30; ordinary, $1.15@1.25 cental. Buying price, extra fancy table stock, $1; extra choice, 90c f. o. b. country shipping points; sweets, $4; new potatoes, Florida, 4c pound; California, 3@4c per pound.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.00 per sack; beets, $1.50 sack; carrots, $1; cabbage, $3.00@4.00. Mexican tomatoes, $2.25; Florida, $4.00; beans, 10c lb.; green onions, 15c doz. bunches; peppers, bell, 25c lb.; head lettuce, $1.50@2.00 crate; hothouse, $1 box; radishes, 15c doz. bunches, celery, $5 crate; egg plant, 30c lb.; peas, 6½@7c; cauliflower, local, $1.25@1.50 per doz.; asparagus, 60c@$1.25 per dozen bunches; Walla Walla, 75c@$1 box; California fancy, $2@2.25; spinach, 25c sack.

ONIONS—Jobbing price, Oregon: Yellow, No. 1, $4; No. 2, $2; red, $2.50. New crop, 2 per crate; garlic, 7½@8c.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, $1.75@3.00; bananas, 4¼@5c lb.; lemons, $5.00@5.50; limes (—) case; grape fruit, $3.50@4.25; pineapples, 6c lb.; cranberries, $9; strawberries, Florin, $1.50@1.85 per 15 lb. crate; Los Angeles, $1.15@1.25 per 7½ lb. crate.

APPLES—$1.75@3.25.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—Producers' price—1911 crop, 39c; 1912 contracts, 26c; 1913 and 1914, 17c.

MOHAIR—1912, 32½c lb.

WOOL—Willamette valley, coarse Cotswold, 16@17c; medium Shropshire, 18@18½c; choice fancy lots, 19c pound; eastern Oregon, 13@16c, according to shrinkage.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK—1912 nominal, carlots 5¼c, less carlots 5c lb.; 1911 bark, carlots, 6c; less carlots, 5¾c lb.

HIDES—Dry hides, 20@21c; green, 9½@10c; salted hides, 10½@11c; bulls, green salt, 7@7½c; kips, 12½c; calves, dry, 24@24½c; calf skins, salted or green, 17c; green hides, 1@1½c less than salted; sheep pelts, salted, $1; dry, 12@12½c lb.

TALLOW—Prime, per lb., 5½c; No. 2 and grease, 2@2½c.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS—Front street: Hogs, fancy, 10@10½c; ordinary, 10c; heavy, 9½c; fancy veal, 10c; ordinary, 9c; poor, 7@8c; lambs, 14@15c; mutton, 8@9c; goats, 2@4c; beef, 6@9c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Hams, 16½@17½c; breakfast bacon, 14½@24½c; boiled ham, 26c; picnics, 11½c; cottage 15c.

MEATS—Packing house—Steer, No. 1 stock, 12½c; cows, No. 1 stock, 11c@11½c; ewes, 10c; wethers, 11c; lambs, 14c; pork loins, 15c.

FISH—Nominal—Rock cod, 10c lb.; flounders, 6c; halibut, 5@7c; striped bass, 20c; catfish, 12@12½c; salmon, 12½c lb.; soles, 7c per lb.; shrimps, 12½c lb.; perch, 7@8c; tomcod, 8c; lobsters, 25c; herrings, 5@6c; black bass, 20c; sturgeon, (—) per lb.; silver smelt, 8c lb.; black cod, 7½c; dressed shad, 6c; roe shad, 10c; shad roe, 20c lb.; Columbia smelt (—) per box.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon (—); per 100 lb. sack (—). Olympia, per gallon, $3; per 100 lb. sack, $9; canned eastern, 55c can., $6.50 dozen; eastern in shell, $1.75@2.00 per 100; razor clams, $2@2.25 box.

LARD—Tierces, 13½c lb.; compound, tierces, 9¼c per lb.

WOOL SALES TO BE HELD ON DATES AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED

Efforts of Enemies of Regular Dates to Confuse the Situation Fail and Growers Are Holding for Regular Auctions on Advertised Dates.

In an effort to discredit the regularly established wool sales of the Oregon association, some eastern interests are spreading false reports of the time of holding the sales while others assert that no sales will be held at certain points.

This has been officially denied by H. C. Rooper, secretary of the Antelope Wool Growers' association so far as the date at Shaniko is concerned. The date for the sale at that point has been twisted several times by dealers, but so far as the association is concerned it will be held, as announced previously, on June 18.

Practically no wool has been sold in the interior of Oregon or Idaho, notwithstanding the reports being circulated in some quarters. Such reports are said by association people to be circulated by enemies of the present system of selling for the sole purpose of causing holders to let go before regular sales dates and make the latter event a farce.

The small deals that have been closed in eastern Oregon and Idaho cut but little consideration when the total amount of the shearing there is concerned.

In the Willamette valley the market, while more active, is still on a limited basis. Growers are seemingly awaiting a substantial opening of the market before offering more freely.

NORTHWEST BANK STATEMENT

Portland Banks.

Clearings today	$1,805,947.99
Clearings year ago	1,746,914.84
Gain today	$59,033.45
Balances today	140,222.72
Balances year ago	169,615.82

Tacoma Banks.

Clearings today	$620,264.00
Balances today	62,540.00

Seattle Banks.

Clearings today	$2,022,222.00
Balances today	121,893.00

Money and Exchange.

London, May 15.—Consols, 78⅛; silver, 28; bank rate, 3 per cent.

New York, May 15.—Sterling exchange, long, 4.85; short, 4.87½; silver bullion, 60⅝c; copper, 16⅝c.

San Francisco, May 15.—Sterling exchange, 60 days, 4.83⅝; sight, 4.86¼; Doc., 4.82⅞; transfers, telegraph, 3 per cent premium; sight, 1 per cent premium.

San Francisco Grain Market.

San Francisco, May 15.—Grain calls:

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec.	167	167	167	167
North Dec.	152½	152¼	152¼	152½

BARLEY.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec.	166¼	166¼	166	166⅛
May	191 B	.....	.....	194½ A

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	1164	1168	1159	1160@61
Feb.	.....	.....	.....	1161@63
March	1172	1177	1169	1169@70
May	1139	1141	1131	1130@31
July	1151	1151	1137	1124@35
August	1148	1156	1148	1143@45
Sept.	.....	.....	.....	1147@49
Oct.	1164	1165	1154	1155@56
Nov.	.....	.....	.....	1158@60
Dec.	1172	1176	1165	1165@66

$100 Worth of Music Free

See announcement, page nine, this issue, "Player Pianos Now for Nearly Every Home."

MUTTON MARKET IS DROPPING FAST IN NO. PORTLAND YARDS

Prices Cut Severely Here, but Trade in East Is Generally Favorable; Cattle Tops Sell at $7.15 During the Day.

In the Stockyards.

North Portland—Hogs steady, cattle steady, sheep weak.

Chicago—Hogs lower, cattle 10c higher, sheep strong.

Kansas City—Hogs steady, cattle 5c to 10c higher, sheep higher.

South Omaha—Hogs 5c higher, cattle 10c higher, sheep weak.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

Wed.	355	60	23	2763
Tues	192	9	1	1248
Mon	105	251	6	2696
Sat	89	...	...	622
Friday	244	4	103	1217
Thurs	276	479	13	875
Week ago	355	423	8	646
Year ago	169	373	...	794

Sheep prices at North Portland are getting out of line with the rest of the country and this may force heavy shipments to the east. Conditions in the local trade are unusually poor. A few carloads have the effect of overflowing the wants of the trade and the result is that prices suffer severely when they should at least hold fairly steady.

Another sharp cut in mutton prices was forced today when the best offerings of wethers sold at $5 for yearlings as well as other sheared stock. While one sale of 92 head of spring lambs was made at $7.50, the general market was lower than this.

Conditions at the yards seemed to indicate that killers were making an effort to hold the decline in check because most of them had purchased considerable stock at much higher figures and therefore wanted to get from under before slashing quotations.

Willamette valley sheep are coming forward in heaviest supply and the recent direct purchases of killers at these points has in reality acted against the general trade, although killers themselves have been hurt by purchasing more than they could take care of immediately.

Eastern Trade Generally Good.

Trade in the eastern mutton market continues of good character at most centers and buyers from that section have been invading the Pacific coast and has purchased liberally during recent days. Sales at Shaniko to coast and other points are very heavy. During the past few days the following were reported there: H. Patjen sold 850 yearling wethers and 350 2-year-old ewes for a straight price of $2.25 per head. A. J. Conroy sold 800 yearling ewes at $2.50. George Wright was the purchaser of both lots for the North Yakima Sheep company. James Mace bought about 1000 head of muttons from J. E. Hinton for shipment to the Seattle market next Monday. He also bought 700 2-year-old wethers from Fisher & Coe to be delivered at Shaniko before June 1. Mr. Kohler of Ellensburg, Wash., has also been buying in this market, and has acquired about 4000 head for shipment around the first of the month. Probably 10,000 sheep will be shipped from this point during May.

Prices paid in the interior are slightly better than a year ago.

Sheep shippers: S. M. Kelly, Wilbur, 1 load; F. S. Norwood, Harrisburg, 2 loads; L. E. West, Oakland, 2 loads; W. J. Flake, Ione, 2 loads; W. E. Hunt, Hunts Prairie 2 loads; L. E. West, Yoncalla, 2 loads; A. E. Kent, Drain, 2 loads; J. T. Walker, Corvallis, 2 loads.

Nominal sheep prices:

Fancy spring lambs	$7.00@7.50
Ordinary spring lambs	6.50@6.75
Best sheared yearlings	5.00@5.50
Ordinary sheared yearlings	4.50@4.75
Old wethers, sheared	4.25
Fancy ewes, sheared	3.80
Ordinary ewes, sheared	3.00

Wool stock about 75c higher.

Cattle Tops at $7.15.

Cattle tops sold at $7.15 in the North Portland yards today and the demand generally was considered of first class character. Receipts for the day were light; totals being but 60 head compared with 433 last Wednesday and 373 head a year ago today.

Best offerings of cows went at $6 but only a few head appeared in the division.

At Chicago there was a firmer tone in the cattle trade and an advance of 10c was forced in prices.

Kansas City had an advance of 5@10c for cattle today with a much better demand.

North Portland cattle prices:

Heavy fancy	$7.00@7.15
Fancy steers	6.90@6.95
Choice steers	6.75
Common steers	5.50@5.75
Feeder steers	5.00@5.25
Spayed heifers	6.75
Fancy heifers	6.75
Fancy cows	6.00
Ordinary cows	5.90@6.00
Fancy light calves	8.00
Medium light calves	8.00
Heavy calves	4.00@4.25
Best bulls	5.00
Ordinary bulls	4.00@4.50

Hogs Hold at $8.40.

Hog market prices at North Portland are holding steady today at $8.40. Several lots of tops went at this price during the day and demand was good.

Run of hogs was quite fair this morning, totals being 355 head, compared with 355 last Wednesday and 169 head a year ago today.

Hogs were somewhat easier at points east of the Rockies today owing to the warmer weather, but the situation is generally satisfactory for this period of the year.

Hog shippers: Martin & Hanson, Moro, 1 load; L. O. Peetz, Moro, 1 load; S. C. Cloydt, Pomeroy, Wash., 2 loads hogs, cattle and calves; C. C. Clark, Arlington, 1 load hogs, cattle and calves; T. Copeland, Plainview, 1 load hogs, sheep and calves.

General hog range:

Best light	$8.40
Medium light	8.25
Good heavy	8.25
Rough and heavy	6.00@7.00

Wednesday's Livestock Sales.

	Average Lbs.	Price.
STEERS.		
6 steers	1363	$7.15
2 steers	1190	7.00
3 steers	1476	6.50
7 steers	917	6.50
9 steers	1083	6.50
2 steers	975	6.50
COWS.		
3 cows	933	$6.00
2 cows	1140	5.75
1 cow	1110	5.50
1 cow	990	5.50
3 cows	1043	4.00
HEIFERS.		
2 heifers	1215	$6.25
1 heifer	510	5.50
BULLS.		
1 bull	1300	$4.50
CALVES.		
1 calf	160	$7.25
15 calves	136	7.25
2 calves	155	7.00
2 calves	470	6.50
1 calf	360	6.00
HOGS.		
9 hogs	152	$8.40
87 hogs	218	8.40
49 hogs	184	8.40
59 hogs	226	8.40
2 hogs	240	8.40
33 hogs	195	8.40
1 hog	200	8.40
14 hogs	171	8.40
2 hogs	150	8.00
1 hog	210	7.25
2 hogs	270	7.25
2 hogs	470	7.00
2 hogs	345	7.00
SHEEP.		
22 yearlings	113	$5.00
600 yearlings	93	5.00
75 yearlings	106	5.00
40 mixed	108	4.25
37 sheep	85	4.00
SPRING LAMBS.		
92 spring lambs	65	$7.50
62 spring lambs	68	7.00
70 spring lambs	71	7.00
160 spring lambs	65	7.00

MUDDY RIVER HOLDS BACK BIG CATCH OF SALMON IN COLUMBIA

Yong Yet, Who Has Been Connected With Megler for 39 Years, Says Prospects Are for an Improvement When River Subsides.

A high river with muddy water is holding in check the total catch of salmon in the Columbia. Prospects are, however, for a big haul after the water subsides.

These opinions are given by Yong Yet, for 39 years connected with the salmon packing firm of J. G. Megler & Co. of Brookfield. Yong Yet started with Megler in 1873, when the company was packing at Chinook Beach. He has been superintendent of the Brookfield cannery of the company and is known from one end of the Columbia to the other as the Chinaman who knows more about the salmon business than any white man.

"There is only a very small run of salmon in the Columbia at this time," says Yong Yet, "although much gear is being operated in the river. The water is too muddy and high for a big catch. Most of the fish being caught are of small size but an improvement both in size and extent of catch is expected soon. The run to date is about the same as at this time during recent years."

The run in the Willamette remains very good and the equivalent of about 30 small boxes is being sent to the Pillar Rock cannery each day. The sizes remain very good and the quality is excellent. According to the officials of the Pillar Rock Packing company the fish is arriving there in excellent condition.

CANADIAN PACIFIC HITS HIGH POINTS

New York, May 15.—An advance of 5½ points in Canadian Pacific today in the face of an almost general decline in the stock market was caused by the buying of foreigners.

Steel stocks, too, were purchased by London interests and this forced a fractional advance in that issue.

American stocks showed an irregular tone in London today.

Range of New York prices furnished by Overbeck & Cooke company:

Description—	Open	High	Low	Bid
Amal. Cop. Co.	83½	83¾	82½	83
Am. Car & F., c	59	59¼	59	59¼
Am. Can., c	41⅛	41½	40¼	40½
Am. Cot. Oil, c	54⅝	54⅝	54½	54½
Am. Loco., c	43	43	42½	42½
Am. Sugar, c	132¼	132⅝	131	131
Am. Smelt., c	86⅛	86⅛	85⅝	85⅞
Anaconda M. Co.	42¾	43	42⅝	42⅞
Am. Woolen, c	28½	29⅛	28⅝	29⅛
Atchison, c	106⅛	106½	106⅛	106⅛
B. & O., c	109⅞	110	109⅝	109⅞
Brooklyn R. T.	84⅛	85⅛	83⅞	85⅛
Canadian Pac., c	264⅛	269	263⅝	268⅞
Central Leath., c	26⅞	26⅞	26	26⅛
C. & G. W., c	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛
C. M. & S. P.	107¼	107¼	106⅝	107⅛
C. & N.-W., c	140	140	137⅛	138½
Ches. & Ohio	79¾	80⅛	79½	80⅛
Col. F. & I., c	29	29¼	29	29
Col. South., c	.....	.....	.....	43½
Cons. Gas	142¾	142¾	142⅛	142⅛
Corn Prod., c	15⅞	17	15⅞	16⅝
D. & R. G., c	19¾	20⅜	19¼	19¾
Erie, c	35½	36⅝	35½	36½
do 2d pfd	43¼	44⅛	43¾	44½
Gen. Electric	170	170½	170	169½
Gt. N. Ore Lands	42⅞	42⅞	41⅝	42
Gt. North., pfd.	132⅝	132⅝	131¼	131½
Ice Securities	26⅝	27¾	26½	27¼
Illinois Central	125⅝	127	124⅝	125½
Int. Harvester	121	121½	119½	120¼
Inter. Met., c	20½	20½	19⅞	20¼
Lehigh Valley	178½	178¾	176⅝	176⅝
K. C. Southern	.....	.....	.....	25½
L. & N.	159¼	159¼	158¼	159
M. St. P. & S.S.M.	143⅝	144⅝	143	144
M. K. & T., c	28½	28⅛	28	28
Mo. Pacific	40¾	40⅞	40¼	40⅝
National Lead	57	57	56⅝	56⅝
Nevada Cons.	21¾	21⅞	21½	21½
N. Y. Central	120½	120⅝	119½	119⅝
N. Y. O. & W.	.....	.....	.....	38⅝
N. & W., c	112¾	113	112¾	113
N. Pacific, c	120½	120½	119¼	119⅝
P. M. Steam. Co.	33	33	32⅝	32½
Penn. Ry.	123¾	124	123⅝	123½
P. G. L. & C. Co.	109½	109½	109¼	109¼
Pr. Steel Car, c	35¼	32½	35⅛	35½
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	101⅝
Reading, c	176¾	177¾	174⅞	177
do 2d pfd	.....	.....	.....	98½
do 1st pfd	.....	.....	.....	89½
Rep. I. & S., c	24⅛	24⅝	24⅞	24¼
Rock Island, c	28⅞	28⅞	28⅛	28⅝
S. L. S. F. 2 pfd.	38½	39	38½	38⅛
S. L. & S. W., c	33	33	33	33
Southern Pac., c	112¼	112½	111⅞	112
Southern Ry., c	28⅞	29⅝	28⅝	29¼
Texas & Pacific	24	24⅝	24	24
To. St. L. & W., c	.....	.....	.....	14
Union Pacific, c	173⅛	173¼	171⅝	172¼
do pfd	.....	.....	.....	90½
U. S. Rubber, c	59⅛	59¼	58¾	59
U. S. Steel Co., c	71	71	69⅝	70⅞
do pfd	111¼	111¼	111	110⅝
Utah Copper	63⅛	63¼	62⅝	63
Vir. Chmical	52¼	52¼	52⅛	52
Wabash, c	8⅞	9	8⅞	9
W. U. Telegraph	83⅛	84	83	83
Wis. Central, c	57	57	56	56½
Wheeling L. E.	.....	.....	.....	7⅝

Total sales, 683,500 shares.
Consolidated Gas ex div 1½ per cent.
Call money, 2½@2¾ per cent.

CHICAGO CATTLE HIGHER

Advance of 10c Is Quoted Today; Hogs Down a Nickel.

Chicago, May 15.—Hogs—Receipts 35,000; left over, 4400; market 5c lower. Mixed, $7.30@7.80; heavy, $7.70@7.90; rough, $7.30@7.50; light, $7.25@7.72½.

Cattle—Receipts 14,000, market 10c higher.

Sheep—Receipts 18,000, market steady.

OMAHA CATTLE HIGHER

Market Advances Dime; Hogs Are 5 Cents Up at $7.75.

South Omaha, May 15.—Cattle—Receipts 3300, market strong to 10c higher. Steers, $8.15@8.75; cows and heifers, $5.50@7.70.

Hogs—Receipts 9600, market 5c higher at $7.50@7.75.

Sheep—Receipts 1250, market weak to lower. Yearlings, $6.65@7.25; wethers, $5.85@6.65; lambs, $8.40@8.65; ewes, $5.25@6.50.

KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK

Hogs Are Steady, but Sales of Cattle Are Higher.

Kansas City, Mo., May 15.—Hogs—Receipts 10,000, market steady.

Cattle—Receipts 3000, market 5 to 10c higher.

Sheep—Receipts 9000, market higher.

All Claim Victory.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Bay City, Mich., May 15.—With the supporters of Judson Harmon, Champ Clark and Oscar Underwood all claiming that they have elected 17 district delegates against 7 for Woodrow Wilson, the Democratic state convention met her at noon today. Supporters of Wilson claimed that they have at least 10 of the district delegates.

LOCAL WHEAT CENT LOWER HERE WITH NO DESIRE TO BUY

Millers Are Quoting a Cut Quotation but Are Not Eager to Bid Even Then; Oriental Flour Buyers Are Nibbling Some at Present.

By John Inglis.

Chicago, May 15.—Unfavorable weather conditions are shown in Indiana for wheat but the outlook for oats is favorable.

WHEAT CARGOES FIRM.

London, May 15.—Wheat cargoes firm. Walla Walla for shipment, 39s 6d to 39s 9d.

English country markets quiet.
French country markets firm.

PORTLAND GRAIN RECEIPTS.

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
	Cars				
Monday	46	3	20	4	14
Tuesday	15	...	5	3	6
Wednesday	25	...	7	....	2
Year ago.	16	...	1	5	6
Season to date	17948	374	2209	1532	2462
Year ago	11474	657	2203	844	2727

A further loss of 1c a bushel is showing today in the bids for wheat here. Club is generally quoted at 96@97c, and bluestem at $1.02 a bushel, track basis tidewater.

Even at the lower prices the trade is not keen to take hold. This indicates that none of the grinders are really short of wheat. The expectation of a record-breaking crop for the coming season is causing all of them to make an effort to hold down their stocks, which will run into the new season.

While a nibbling of oriental interests is shown in the flour trade, the market for export is very quiet. Bids of China and Japan are still considerably out of line with what millers say they can afford to do business at. The deadlock is holding in check all trade except perhaps for special brands that are used to fill in stocks.

Patent flour is firm but no change in prices is contemplated.

SHARP BREAK IN WHEAT

Market Breaks in Chicago; Foreigners Showing a Loss.

Chicago, May 15.—Wheat prices dropped sharply today owing to generally favorable crop conditions. Closing was ⅝@1⅝c a bushel lower than yesterday. Opening was down ¼@⅝c.

Foreign markets were generally lower, Liverpool being down ⅝d at the closing while Berlin was off ⅝c and Budapest ¼c.

Cash wheat—No. 2 red, $1.17@1.18½; No. 3 red, $1.14@1.17; No. 2 hard winter, $1.17¼@1.18¼; No. 1 northern spring, $1.19@1.21; No. 2 spring, $1.15@1.18.

Range of Chicago prices furnished by Overbeck & Cooke company:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	
WHEAT.					
Dec.	107	107⅛	105⅛	105⅛	
May	116⅛	116⅝	116⅛	116⅛	
July	112⅝	112⅞	111⅛	111⅛	B
Sept.	106⅞	107	105⅝	105⅝	A
CORN.					
May	80⅝	81⅛	80⅛	80⅝	B
July	77	77⅝	76⅞	77⅛	A
Sept.	75	75⅝	75	75	B
OATS.					
May	56⅛	56⅝	55⅝	55⅝	
July	52⅞	53	52⅝	52⅝	B
Sept.	43½	43⅝	43⅛	43⅛	B
PORK.					
May	....	....	....	1915	
July	1945	1947	1937	1937	A
Sept.	1955	1962	1952	1952	A
LARD.					
May	....	....	....	1085	N
July	1092	1100	1090	1097	A
Sept.	1110	.....	.....	1115	B
RIBS.					
May	....	....	....	1047	
July	1050	1060	1047	1057	A
Sept.	1052	1075	1065	1072	

GRANGERS TO URGE ELECTION REFORMS

Legislative Committee Favors Second Choice Voting and Earlier Filing.

(Special to The Journal.)

Roseburg, Or., May 15.—The second day of the state grange meeting in this city dawned fine and cool. The various committees began to bring in their reports, the committee on legislation reported favorably on second choice voting in state and county elections, on changing the time when nominating petitions shall be filed to 30 days previous to the primary election, and on authorizing the county clerk to send every voter a sample ballot 10 days previous to the election. It also recommended a revision of the election laws so that no candidate or other persons in behalf of a candidate shall spend together more than 15 per cent of the first year's salary except that the minimum limit shall be $100.

Governor West sent word that he wished to confer further in reference to road legislation. He pointed out that the Grangers' and "harmony" bills were agreeable in the matter of highway engineer and county bonding except for one feature, which was that the Grange bill provided that the people should determine what roads should be improved. He said he would concede the superiority of the Grange bill on this point, and proposed that a new bill be drafted providing that the people should determine where the money, state aid and local, should be used. The proposition was referred to the committee on roads.

Dr. Harry Lane, called on for an address, responded with discussion of road construction, parcels post and the Aldrich currency bill. He struck a friendly chord and his handling of these subjects was well in line with the views of those present. He later expressed a friendly attitude toward woman suffrage.

Governor West voiced a warning in regard to the several tax measures that are about to be initiated.

The good roads committee and the governor then retired from the convention to a consideration of road legislation.

In discussing taxation Master Spence said:

"The burden of taxation is continually increasing. One would think that with the addition of population and annual increase of valuations that the tax levy might be lowered, but the increase of valuation does not keep pace with the demand upon the public treasury.

"We have too many offices and too many departments and each department is run independently of the other, making a duplication of help and equipment, this is true of city, county and state."

Some men are liars who never even tried to catch fish.

DYKE BREAK ENDANGERS 60,000 ON WEST BANK

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New Orleans, La., May 15.—Sixty thousand persons are endangered by a break in the Mississippi river levee on the west bank, 25 miles north of here. The break is 300 feet wide, and affects 10 square miles of territory.

The same spot was the scene of the worst break of the 1903 floods.

Daily River Readings.

STATIONS	Flood stage	Height (in feet)	Change in last 24 hours	Rainfall last 24 hours
Lewiston	24	13.1	*0.3	0
Riparia	30	13.2	*0.3	0
Umatilla	25	14.0	*0.2	0
Eugene	10	6.0	*0.1	.04
Harrisburg	16	9.3	*0.2	0
Albany	20	5.3	*0.1	.01
Salem	20	4.7	*0.2	0
Wilsonville	37	7.2	0	0
Portland	15	22.4	*0.5	0

(*) Rising.

California Executive to Come.

There will be a "California First" excursion to Oregon. It will be at the time of the Rose Festival. At the head of the excursion will be president C. C. Moore of the Panama-Pacific Exposition, 1915, and his official family. Hosts of the excursion will be the members of the "Oregon First" excursion to San Francisco.

LINOTYPE OPERATORS MAY TAKE CASE TO UNION

Linotype employers have denied the request of local book and job office linotype operators for shorter hours and more pay. "What further action the operators will take, if any, cannot be made public at this time," said A. C. Turner, president of Multnomah Typographical union, this morning. "However, there has been no inclination, either on the part of the operators or the employers, to have any trouble, and for the present at least things will move along in the usual way."

Job office linotypers are now getting $5.25 a day for eight hours. They want to work under the scale that the newspaper office operators have, viz.: $5.12½ for seven and one half hours, and $1.02½ an hour overtime.

Faces Serious Charges.

Frank N. Lehmann, 20 years old, son of Frank A. Lehmann, a tailor at 401 Merchants Trust building, was arrested last night at the depot by Detectives Coleman and Snow on two charges, one for obtaining money under false pretenses and the other for larceny by bailee, growing out of the purchase on the installment plan of a $300 motorcycle from Ballou & Wright. This motorcycle, while yet unpaid for, was mortgaged twice, then ridden to Olympia where it was sold. Lehmann was lured back to Portland last night by a decoy letter and then placed under arrest. In his pockets, he had a ticket for San Francisco and was about to leave with his wife.

TRANSPORTATION.

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Berlin	May 25	July 6	Aug. 17	
Kaiser Wilhelm II	May 28	June 25	July 23	Aug. 27
Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse	June 4	July 2	July 30	Sep. 3
Kronprinzessin Cecilie	June 11	July 9	Aug. 6	Sep. 10
George Washington	June 15	July 13	Aug. 10	Sep. 5
Kronprinz Wilhelm	June 18	July 16	Aug. 20	Sep. 17
Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm	June 20	July 27	Aug. 24	Sep. 21

TWIN-SCREW PASSENGER SERVICE

Bremen	June 1	Aug. 21
Koenigin Luise	June 8	July 23
Grosser Kurfuerst	July 2	—
Koenig Albert	July 4	

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