# BACKWARD SEASON FORCES CALIFORNIA TO BUY POTATOES

## CUBE BUTTER HAS VERY BIG DEMAND

TUESDAY DAIRY TRADE

| | Butter Cube Extras | Eggs Selects | Cheese Flats |
|---|---|---|---|
| Portland | 34c | 26c | 25c |
| San Francisco | 36c | 27c | 29½c |
| Chicago | 36c | 22½c | 15¾c |
| New York | 39½c | 37c | 24c |
| Los Angeles | 36c | 27c | .... |
| Seattle | 37c | 27c | .... |

Market for butter here is showing a liberal degree of strength especially for cubes. These are showing a demand that is somewhat out of line with the local price, which recently showed a decline of 3c a pound in the face of the fact that other coast centers were in an excellent position.

Seemingly the decline here was premature, but in the end it may be for the best, inasmuch as it will leave this trade here in a far better position when the "flush" production period is on, than if prices were held to the extreme mark at this time.

Expert Bend and British Columbia continue to purchase butter here with city cubes selling as high as 33c to 34c a pound as compared with a print price of 35c while country cubes move freely into the trade at 31½c, although a fair good stuff is said to be bringing more money.

Those desiring special information regarding any market, should write the Market Editor, Oregon Journal, enclosing stamp for reply.

### EGG TRADE IS HOLDING STEADY

Egg market trade is holding steady here at the advanced buying prices reported yesterday. Selling prices are generally unchanged, although some are reported as asking an advance of 1c for select.

### POULTRY DEMAND IS LESS KEEN

Poultry prices continue about unchanged but the demand is less keen than last week. Leading hilgrs are still buyers but are not making the same sort of scramble for offerings as a short time ago. It looks therefore like the top has been reached.

### VEAL PRICES ARE SENT HIGHER

Veal market prices along the street continue to gain in strength with a further price rise forced at 14@14½c a pound for selected stock. Only a very small supply went above 14c. Hogs steady to firmer.

### NEW PRODUCE FIRM ON STREET

The firm of Knight Produce company has succeeded The Dalles Fruit company on Front street with H. L. Knight and G. M. Robb as owners. Mr. Knight was for many years prominently identified with the Columbia river interests, while Mr. Robb has been practically a native of Front street for over 20 years. A general country produce trade will be conducted.

### ONION DEMAND IS VERY LIBERAL

Recent arrivals of new crop Bermuda type onions have been generally cleaned up and the market is holding firm at $2.75 a crate for California stock, while the onions are firm at $3@3.50 for crate. Long delayed car of new crop Texas Crystal Wax came in during the day and was quoted at $4.25 per crate.

### BRIEF NOTES OF PRODUCE TRADE

Cheese market is weaker but unchanged in price.

Another car Los Angles strawberries due Wednesday.

Crystal White soap off 30c a case.

Shredded wheat biscuit down 50c case.

Asparagus market inclined to show strength for local stock.

Salmon market is firm around 20c for Chinook.

### WEATHER NOTICE, FOR SHIPPERS

Weather bureau advised Tuesday: Protect shipments during the next 36 hours against the following minimum temperatures: Going north to Seattle, 44 degrees; northeast to Spokane, 38 degrees; east to Baker, 36 degrees, and south to Ashland, 40 degrees. Minimum temperature at Portland tomorrow about 44 degrees.

### WHOLESALE PRICES IN PORTLAND

**These are the prices retailers pay wholesalers, except as otherwise noted:**

**Dairy Products**

BUTTER—Selling price, box lots: Creamery prices: Prints, 34c; cubes, 34c; in case of plain wrappers; cubes, extra, 30@31½c lb.; dairy, buying price, 20c lb.

BUTTERFAT—Portland delivery basis, No. 1 grade, 33c; No. 2, 30c; No. 3, some, 32c for grade, 33c; No. 2 premium being paid by some.

CHEESE — Selling price: Tillamook, fresh triplets, 25c; Tillamook, old triplets, Young Americas, Oregon fancy triplets, 25c. **Price to jobbers 25c; Oregon triplets, $1@28c.** Price to jobbers 26c; b. Tillamook: Triplets, 23c; Young Americas, 24c. Selling price: Block Swiss, fancy, 26@28c; Limburger, 24@24c; cream brick, 25@28c lb.

EGGS—Buying price, Front street: Current receipts, 19@26c doz.; current receipts, henneries, 22@24c. Selling price: Current receipts, henneries, 25c doz.; select, 26c doz.; pullets, 22@23c doz.

LIVE POULTRY—Selling prices. Heavy hens, 25@27c lb.; light hens, 22@23c lb.; broilers, 30@40c lb.; old roosters, 15c lb.; turkeys, dressed 35@38c lb., live 28@30c lb.; ducks, fat, 22@28c lb.; geese, live 20c lb., dressed 25@30c lb.

**Fresh Vegetables and Fruits**

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, $7.00@8.00 box; bananas, 9½@10c lb.; lemons, $7.00@8.00 case; grapefruit, Florida, $7.50@8.50. California, $3.50@4.50.

BERRIES—Strawberries, Los Angeles, $3.65@3.75 per 15-box crate.

DRIED FRUITS—Prunes, 18c lb.; figs, white, $3.50@3.75 per 25-lb. box; prunes, 40s to 50s, 50-lb. box, 14c lb.; 50s to 60s, 13c lb.

ONIONS—Selling price to retailers: Local $1.60@1.00 cwt.; Crystal Wax $3.75, Texas $4.25 crate; garlic, 8@9c lb.; green onions, 40c doz. bunches.

POTATOES—Selling price to retailers: Oregon, fancy, $1.50 per cental; buying price, country, $1.00@1.25; Yakima best, $1.50 per cental; sweet potatoes, 5@5½c; new potatoes, 15@16c lb.

VEGETABLES—Beets, $3.50 per sack; cabbage, 3@5½c a lb.; lettuce, $2.00@3.00 per crate; carrots, $3.00@3.35 per sack; tomatoes, Mexican, $2.50@3.00 per 10-lb. carton; hothouse, 15c per lb.; artichokes, $1.25@1.35 doz.; cauliflower, $1.00@2.75 a crate; celery, $1.00 per doz.; rhubarb, 3c per lb.; spinach, local, $1.50@1.75 a box; asparagus, California, 10@12c; local, $2.50 a doz. bunches.

APPLES—Spitzenburgs, extra fancy, 4 tier, $3.25; fancy, 4 tier, $2.75@3.00; choice, 4 tier, $2.00@2.25.

APPLES—Cooking stock, 75c@$1.15 box.

**Meats**

COUNTRY MEATS—Selling price: Country hogs, 16c; heavy stuff less; veal top, about 80 to 100 lbs., 14c; heavy stuff less; lambs, 20@24c.

SMOKED MEATS—Hams, 33@36c per lb.; breakfast bacon, 23@44c lb.

PACKING HOUSE MEATS—Steer beef, 13@14c; heifers, 12½@13c; cows, 12@12½c; lambs, 28c; ewes, 15@17c; hogs, 16@17c lb.

LARD—Kettle rendered, 16½c per lb.; tierce basis, compound, 13c.

**Groceries**

BEANS — Small white, $5.00; large white, $5.00; pink, $7.00; limas, $10.50; bayos $6.75; red, $6.75.

HONEY—Case, $5.00

RICE—Japan, No. 1, 6c; Blue Rose, 6¾c lb. New Orleans, head, 6¾c.

COFFEE—Roasted, 20@32½c lb. in sacks or drums.

SALT—Coarse, half gr., 100s, $15.50 ton, 50s, $17.85; table dairy, 50s $27.50, bales $3.50@4.00; fancy table and dairy, $34.50; lump, $18.50 ton.

SUGAR—Cube, $7.25; fruit and berry, $8.80; yellow D, $8.70; best granulated, $8.10; extra C, $8.00; golden C, $5.80.

CANNED MILK—Tall, $4.60; baby size, $4.80 case; Eagle, $9.25 case.

SODA CRACKERS—In bulk, 14c lb.

NUTS—Walnuts, 32@34c.; almonds, 24@26c lb.; filberts, 20c lb.; peanuts, 11½@12c lb.; pecans, 32c lb.; Brazils, 18@20c lb.; chestnuts, Japanese, 22@24c lb.

**Fish and Shellfish**

FRESH FISH—Chinook, fresh, 18@20c lb.; halibut, 16@18c lb.; black cod, 10@11c lb.; ling cod, 8c lb.; rock cod, 6c lb.; kippered cod, $2.25; ling cod, 6c lb.; smelts, $1.25 box; sole, 8c lb.; sturgeon, 16@20c lb.


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By Hyman H. Cohen

Because of the fight between canning, fresh fish dealers and mild cure operators on the lower Columbia, the price of fish in the retail markets here is unreasonably high. Thirty cents a pound is a high price to pay for Chinook salmon during the open season, but at the price they are paying, retailers cannot afford to sell for less. The quality is most excellent.

Columbia river shad are being offered at a moderate price, likewise shad roe. Sturgeon is also being offered in some of the leading markets and by many is considered the king of all fishes. Then there is silver smelt from the Oregon coast as well as fresh halibut available. In fact, the fresh fish markets as a whole present a rather good variety at this time, although in the main prices are rather high.

Asparagus is being offered slightly more freely on the public market and in the retail shops generally. California stock is selling as low as two pounds for 25c compared with 25c a pound for the Oregon-Washington stock. The local stock is worth the difference.

California new potatoes are in greater supply but the price remains around 20@25c a pound generally.

Retail market prices generally show:

Eggs—25@35c doz.

Butter—Fresh creamery, 38@42c lb.

Fish—Salmon, 30c; halibut, 20@25c; perch, 10c; smelt, 5c lb.

Flour—Best local patent, $1.90@2.25 per 49 lb. sack.

Potatoes—Burbank, $2.00 per sack.

Onions—10@15c per lb.

Yamhill street prices:

Vegetables—Carrots, 2c per lb.; dry onions, 10c per lb.; turnips, 5c per lb.; apples, 5c per lb.

Honey—Comb, 25c; quart, 65c; pint, 35c.

Poultry—Heavy hens, 34@40c; light hens, 30@35c; turkeys, private market, 50c lb.

Eggs — Public market, 27c; private stores, 32@28c per dozen.

### DAIRY PRODUCE OF THE COAST

**San Francisco Market**

San Francisco, May 2.—(U. P.)—Butter, extras, 36c; prime firsts, 35½c.

Eggs—Extras, 27c; extra pullets, 25c; extra first pullets, 23c; undersized pullets, 20c.

Cheese—California flats, fancy, 26½c; firsts, 19½c.

**Seattle Market**

Seattle, Wash., May 2.—Eggs: Select ranch, 27c; pullets, 21c.

Butter—City creamery, 37c; bricks, 38c.

Cheese—Oregon triplets, 21c; Young Americas, 28c.

**Los Angeles Market**

Los Angeles, May 2.—Butter, 36c.

Eggs, extras, 27c; case count, 25c; pullets, 24c.

Poultry, hens, 23c; broilers, 26@32c; fryers, 40c.

### POTATOES ALONG THE COAST

**San Francisco Market**

San Francisco, May 2.—(U. P.)—Potatoes—Rivers, fancy, $1.85@2.15; Burbanks, $2.00@2.35; Netted Gems, $2.00@2.35.

Onions—Per cwt. cold storage, $9.00; new white, $2.15@2.50; green, $1.75@2.00.

**Los Angeles Market**

Los Angeles, May 2.—Potatoes: Lugs, 80@90c; Stockton Burbanks, best, mostly $2.15@2.30; poorer, $1.75@1.90; Idaho Russets, $2.15@2.30; new stock, best locals, $1.90@2.10.

**Seattle Market**

Seattle, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—JOnions—California, $8; Oregon, $10.

Potatoes—Yakima Gems, $38; local $20@25 per ton.

### San Francisco Poultry Market

San Francisco, May 2.—U. P.—Poultry—Broilers, 1 to 1¼ lbs., 32@34c; 1½ to 1¾ lbs., 38@40c; 1¾ to 2 lbs., 40@42c; colored fryers, 2 to 3 lbs., 50@55c; colored young roosters, 3 to 4 lbs., 43@47c; over 4 lbs., 36@44c; staggy, showing spurs, 25@30c; colored old roosters, 18@20c; Leghorn old roosters, 14@18c; Leghorn hens, 2 lbs. to 3 lbs., 22@24c; 3 lbs. and over, 25@27c; large colored hens, 32@33c; ducks, young, 24@26c; geese, young, 25@28c; live turkeys, young, 32@35c; dressed turkeys, young, 42@44c.

### Chicago Dairy Produce

Chicago, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Receipts, 11,721 tubs. Creamery, 38c; standards, 38c; firsts, 37c; packing stock, 15@17c.

Eggs—Receipts, 48,740 cases. Ordinary firsts, 21@22c; firsts, 22@22½c; checks, 20@21c; dirties, 21@22c.

Poultry—Alive, 14½@15c; daisies, 15@15¾c; Young Americas, 16@18c; Longhorns, 13½@16c; brick, 14@15½c.

Live poultry—Turkeys, 30c; chickens, 26½c; roosters, 18c; geese, 19c; ducks, 31c.

### Money and Exchange

Call money on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange today ruled at 4 per cent; high, 4 per cent; low, 4 per cent. Time money was quiet. Rate, 4 per cent. Prime, 4½@5 per cent. The market for prime mercantile paper was steady. Call money in London today was 1¾ per cent. Sterling exchange was steady with business in bankers' bills at $4.42 for demand.

### Minneapolis-Duluth Flax

Minneapolis, May 2.—Flax: May, $2.85¾; July, $2.84½; track, $2.85¾@2.88¾; arrive, $2.85¾@2.87¾.

Duluth, May 2.—Flax: May, track and arrive, $2.79½; July, $2.79¼; September, $2.79.

### New York-London Silver

New York, May 2.—Commercial bar silver: Domestic unchanged at 99¾c; foreign ¾c higher at 68¾c.

London, May 2.—Bar silver was ¼d higher at 35d.

### New York Sugar and Coffee

New York, May 2.—(U. P.)—Sugar, quiet. Raw, $4.11; refined, quiet; granulated, $6.25@5.50.

Coffee—No. 7 Rio spot, 10¾@11c; No. 4 Santos, 14¾@14¾c.

### New York Potato Market

New York, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes—(In bulk, barrel or bag)—Market steady. Nearby, white, $1.75@4.00; Bermudas, $4.00@7.00; southerns, $3.75@7.00.

### Chicago Potato Market

Chicago, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes: Receipts, 90 cars. Wisconsin round white, $1.90@2.05; Idaho Russets, $2.25@2.35; Idaho Rurals, $2.15.

### Liverpool Wheat Higher

Liverpool, May 2.—Close, 11s 7¾d, ¼d higher; July, 11s 9¾d, unchanged; Sept. 11s 8¾d, or ¾d higher; corn, ¼d lower.

### Buenos Aires Wheat

Buenos Aires, May 2.—Wheat opened unchanged.

## SUDDEN DEMAND ON FOR POTATOES

By Hyman H. Cohen

There is a boom in the demand for potatoes, a boom that is not general but one that shows an unusually good movement. It is a most mystifying demand, inasmuch as it is being participated in only by a couple of California firms. These, however, are buying to the limit.

Reports indicate a very wide spread of potato buying prices at nearby country points with the demand confined almost exclusively to the better class offerings. It appears that buyers are paying around $1.10@1.15 generally per cental for this class of goods at country shipping points but that as high as $1.25@1.30 has been paid during the last 48 hours for selected lots, although these extreme values are fighting prices only and paid only where competition is keen for certain lots of selected quality.

While reports differ considerably, indications are that the demand is for both table and seed use. Whether the demand is a mere flash only the future can tell. Some of the leading buyers claim they have little volume of orders. The market at the best is an erratic one and appears out of line with the general trade of the United States.

Primary potato markets show:

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Haulings light. Moderate wire inquiry. Demand and movement moderate, market stronger, prices slightly higher. Carloads f. o. b. usual terms. Cadillac rate, tacked Round Whites, U. S. grade-No. 1, Grand Rapids section, $1.32@1.40 per cwt.; Cadillac section, $1.33@1.40 per cwt.

Hastings, Mich.—Haulings heavy. Demand and movement moderate, market steady, little change in prices. Carloads f. o. b. usual terms—and wire orders carloads f. o. b. shipping point acceptance—double-head barrels Spalding Rose, in straight cars No. 2, $4.50; in mixed cars No. 1, $4.25@4.50; mostly $4.50; No. 2, $2.25@2.50, mostly $2.50 per bbl.

Minneapolis—Light wire inquiry. Demand and movement light, market steady for white varieties; demand moderate, movement slow, market firm for Red River Ohios. Sandland district: Carloads f. o. b. usual terms—Milnor sacked-Sir rate, sacked Round Whites, U. S. grade No. 1, $1.30@1.33 per cwt.; Red River valley points: Carloads f. o. b. usual terms—Moorhead rate, sacked Red River Ohios, U. S. grade No. 1, very few sales, $1.60@1.65 per cwt.

### AMERICAN LIVESTOCK PRICES

Chicago, May 2.—The supply of cattle and hogs shows an increase over a week ago. Improved conditions in the market for beef products helped the trade for the stock on the hoof. Other branches of the livestock trade were uneven today. Receipts were estimated at 11,000 cattle, 26,000 hogs, 13,000 sheep and 4000 calves.

Cattle—Demand for steers was active, and sellers found it easy to hold values fully steady. Many heavy steers sold at $9, while yearlings also made the price for prime lots. The bulk of steers sold at $7.50@8.60. Cows sold at $7.00@7.25 for the best on a 10@15c higher market, while others were steady and 10@15c easy. Calves sold mostly 25c lower, as the supply was large. Choice vealers went at $7.00@8.00.

Hogs—Light hogs were in fair demand, but values were mostly a dime off. Other grades of hogs were slow, with a decline of 10@15c for all heavy stock. Some light hogs sold at $10.60, while choice heavy butchers went at $10.00@10.30, but rough packing grades sold at $9.00@9.25.

Sheep—Spring lambs were uneven. Sales at $16.75, were called lower, while some at $16.90 were strong. Aged lambs were steady, best shorn stock going at $14.80 to shippers. Shorn ewes at $9.00, were also steady.

Chicago, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts, 25,000; market, 10 to 20 cents lower. Bulk, $10.00@10.45; top, $10.50; heavyweight, $10.00@10.25; medium weight, $10.20@10.45; light weight, $10.40@10.50; light lights, $10.25@10.40; heavy packing sows, smooth, $9.35@9.80; packing sows, rough, $9.00@9.40; pigs, $9.75@10.40.

Cattle—Receipts, 11,000; market steady to strong. Top, $9.00.

Beef Steers—Choice and prime, $8.85@9.25; medium and good, $7.50@8.60; light weight, $8.25@9.10; common, $7.00@7.50; common and medium, $7.00@8.25.

Butcher Cattle—Heifers, $5.75@8.60; cows, $4.75@7.35; bulls, $4.65@6.85.

Canners and Cutters—Cows and heifers, $3.65@4.75; canner steers, $4.50@5.75; veal calves (light and handyweights), $8.00@8.60; Feeder steers, $6.15@7.75; stocker steers, $5.85@7.65; stocker cows and heifers, $4.15@6.00.

Sheep—Receipts, 13,000; market mostly steady, some spring lambs, 50c lower. Lambs (84 lbs. down), $12.50@14.85; lambs (85 lbs. up), $12.00@14.75; lambs, culls and common, $9.50@12.00; spring lambs, $14.00@16.50; yearling wethers, $9.75@13.00; ewes, $7.00@9.50; ewes, culls and common, $3.25@7.00; feeding lambs, $13.15.

Kansas City, May 2.—(I. N. S.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000; market active. Steers, $7.50@8.50; sows, heifers, $5.50@8.65; stockers and feeders, $7.50@8.25; calves, $8.50@9.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 13,000; market dull; bulk of sales $9.00@10.15; top, $10.20; hearies, $9.85@10.10; lights, $10.00@10.20; medium, $9.90@10.15.

Sheep—Receipts, 8000; market, active; lambs, $13.50@15.70; wethers, $9.00@9.50.

**Omaha Hogs $9.50**

South Omaha, May 2.—(U. P.)—Cattle—Receipts, 9000; market opened slow. Sales mostly to shippers at 15c lower, than yesterday's average; 280 to 280 lb. butchers, $9.75@9.90; small, fairly good; average cows yesterday, $9.50; holdover hogs, $5.37.

Cattle—Receipts, 8500.

Sheep—Receipts, 9000.

**Denver Hogs at $10.10**

Denver, May 2.—(U. P.)—Cattle—Receipts, 2000; steady. Steers, $6.50@8.00; cows and heifers, $5.65@6.50; stockers, $5.00@6.00; feeders, $6.00@7.50; bulls, $3.00@4.50; calves, $5.00@5.60.

Hogs—Receipts, 2600; market 15c to25c oiwer. Top, $10.10; bulk, $9.90@9.80.

Sheep—Receipts, 4600; market 10c to 15c higher. Lambs, $14.00@15.40; ewes, $7.50@9.00.

**San Francisco Hogs $11.50**

San Francisco, May 2.—(U. P.)—Cattle, grass fed steers, No. 1, 7¼@8¼c; second quality, 6¼@7¼c; cows and heifers, 5½@6½c, calves, light, 9@10c; calves, heavy, 7@8c.

Sheep—Lambs, 11¼@12½c; wethers, 8@9c, ewes, 6@7c.

Hogs—Top grain, wgt. 100-175, 11¾c; over 300, 9¾c.

**Seattle Hogs $11.85**

Seattle, May 2.—Hogs—Receipts, 500; market steady. Prime lights, $11.25@11.85; smooth heavies, $9.25@11.50; rough heavies, $5.00@8.00; pigs, $10.50@11.00.

Cattle—None.

Sheep—None.

### New York Butter and Eggs

New York, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Market firm. Creamery extras (salted and unsalted), 39½; added creamery firsts (salted and unsalted), 35@38c; creamery, higher than extras (salted and unsalted), 40@40½c. State dairy tubs, 30@39c; jadels, fresh extras, 27@28c.

Cheese—Market easy. State—Whole milk specials, 17@24c; average run, 16@22c; whole milk, lower grades, 14@16c. Skimmed—Whole milk, fancy, Young Americas, 20@20½c.

Eggs—Market steady. Nearby white, fancy, 37c; nearby brown, fancy, 30½c; extra, 29@29½c; firsts, 24½@27½c.

Milk—The wholesale price is $1.75 per 100 pounds of 3½ milk, within 200-210-mile zones.

### Eastern Cash Wheat

(Reported by Overbeck & Cooke Co.)

Chicago, May 2.—Cash wheat—No. 2 red, $1.42@1.43¾; No. 1 hard, $1.44; No. 2 hard, $1.43@1.45.

Winnipeg, May 2.—Cash wheat—No. 1 northern, $1.48½; No. 2 northern, $1.41¾.

Minneapolis, May 2.—Cash wheat—No. 1 northern, $1.62½; No. 2 durum, $1.61¾@1.67¾; No. 2 northern, $1.58¾@1.63½; No. 3 northern, $1.52¾@1.58¾.

### New York Poultry Market

New York, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—Dressed Poultry—Market steady. Chickens, 21@43c; fowls, 22@34c; turkeys, 25@51c; ducks, 20@30c; geese, 16@18c.

Live Poultry—Market fair demand. Chickens, 31c; fowls, 15@21c; roosters, 11@18c; broilers, 35@70c; turkeys, 25@40c; ducks, 16c.

### San Francisco Cash Barley

San Francisco, May 2.—(U. P.)—Barley: Spot feed, per cental, $1.35@1.40; shipping, $1.45@1.50.

San Francisco.—Barley closed: December, $1.27½ bid; shipping, $1.43@1.55; shorts, 38@40c; middlings, 45@47c; California bags, no. 8@8¾c.

### New York Metal Market

New York, May 2.—Copper quiet, all positions offered 12¾c.

Lead quiet, spot and addition offered 4¾c.

Spelter quiet; spot and May offered $5.05; June and July offered $5.10.

### Liverpool Cash Wheat

Liverpool, May 2.—Spot wheat, 12s 5d, up 2d; March, 11s 11d, up ¼d; No. 2 red winter, 11s 11d, unchanged. Corn—No. 2 Canadian western, 21s 6d, up 6d.

### Winnipeg Wheat Options

Winnipeg, May 2.—Wheat:

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| May | 140¾ | 142 | 140¾ | 141¾ |
| July | 138¾ | 139¾ | 138¾ | 138¾ |

Total sales by 49 mills, 8,049,120 feet.

## MAY IS BIGGEST TRADE ATTRACTION

TUESDAY WHEAT BIDS

| | Bid. | Year Ago. |
|---|---|---|
| Hard white | $1.30 | $1.35 |
| Soft white | 1.26 | 1.30 |
| White club | 1.26 | 1.30 |
| Hard winter | 1.27 | 1.27 |
| Northern spring | .... | 1.27 |
| Red Walla | .... | 1.26 |

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS
(Compiled by the Merchants' Exchange)

| | Wheat. | Bar. | Flr. | Cars Oats. | Hay. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Portland, Tues. | 52 | .... | 2 | .... | 10 |
| Year ago | 53 | .... | 6 | .... | 9 |
| Season to date | 2823 | 222 | 2030 | 825 | 1930 |
| Year ago | 16177 | 246 | 915 | 516 | 2287 |
| Tacoma, Mon. | 14 | .... | 4 | 3 | .... |
| Year ago | 26 | .... | .... | 4 | 2 |
| Season to date | 9549 | 97 | 1220 | 157 | 787 |
| Year ago | 4301 | 50 | 903 | 162 | 917 |
| Seattle, Mon. | 32 | .... | 4 | .... | 13 |
| Year ago | 10 | .... | 9 | 4 | 19 |
| Season to date | 7749 | 178 | 1949 | 405 | 1638 |
| Year ago | 4893 | 211 | 420 | 427 | 1338 |

May again was the attraction in the highly speculative Chicago wheat market and naturally far overshadowed all other options, both in activity of demand and price change. Aside from this speculators, who work principally upon margins and do not utilize the cash stuff, the wheat market in itself is a quiet affair.

Liverpool wheat was higher for May and the September, but unchanged for the July, while Buenos Aires started unchanged all around.

Chicago was sharply higher for the May at the start, but July and September did little in the way of price movement in initial trade.

Locally there is not much activity. There is a limited demand indicated for red wheat of the cheaper qualities, but an entire lack of appreciation for club, a complete change in the call basis.

Flour market is a very quiet affair, with only a sprinkling of business reported, while the domestic situation is slow. Millstuffs continue in very limited supply and excellent demand, with leading millers unable to fill orders.

Hay remains steady to firm at full prices.

WHEAT—Cash buying price, tidewater, track delivery—Club, $1.25@1.26; bluestem, $1.45@1.50; Big Bend bluestem, $1.60@1.65; Turkey red, $1.30; red Russian, $1.22 per bushel.

FLOUR — Selling price, mill door: Patent, $8.80; Willamette valley brands, $6.65; local straight, $6.90; bakers' hard wheat, $8.10; bakers' bluestem, $8.00; bakers' family, $7.20 per bbl.; graham, $6.90; whole wheat, $7.80; Montana spring wheat, patent, $9.00 per bbl. Price for city delivery, 15c extra; suburban, 20c extra.

HAY — Buying price: Willamette timothy, fancy, $18.00 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, $19.00 per ton; clover, $14.00; straw, $9.00; alfalfa, $10.00; oat-vetch, $17.00 per ton.

GRAIN SACKS—Selling price: No. 1s, Calcutta, 7¾@8¼c for new crop delivery. Domestic bags, 7¼c each.

MILLSTUFFS—Mill run, at mill, sacked, ton lots, $31; carloads, $32; middlings, $45@46 per ton.

OATS—Per ton, buying price: Feed, $34.50; milling, $35.

BARLEY—Buying price: Feed, $23; brewing, $28.50.

FEEDSTUFFS—F. o. b. mills: Rolled barley, $38; whole barley, $36; alfalfa meal, $29; cocoanut meal, $32; cracked corn, $36; whole corn, $36 a ton.

Merchants Exchange bids:

| | May | June. |
|---|---|---|
| Hard white | $ 1.30 | $ 1.30 |
| Soft white | 1.26 | 1.26 |
| White club | 1.26 | 1.26 |
| Hard winter | 1.27 | 1.27 |
| Northern Spring | —No Bids— | |
| Red Walla | —No Bids— | |
| FEED OATS | | |
| No. 2 white | 36.00 | 36.00 |
| No. 2 gray | 35.00 | 35.00 |
| BARLEY | | |
| Brewing | 30.00 | 30.00 |
| Standard feed | 29.00 | 29.00 |
| CORN | | |
| No. 2 E. Y. shipment | 28.50 | 28.50 |

## Trade in Wheat Is Dull; Reaction Generally Forced

Chicago, May 2.—Trade in wheat was exceedingly slow today. Sentiment was bullish but, owing to the lack of outside interest, the market became easily overbought and reactions featured the day's trading. May held strong and it looked as though the leading bears were gradually putting the screws on the shorts. Vessel room is scarce and this is preventing the long from getting cash wheat away. Weather map showed warmer weather, but precipitation again was noted in the Southwest, where some let-up in the rain is desired. There was little milling demand in evidence, while export business slowed up, although early there was a report of some Italian purchases of Durum wheat. Receipts in the Southwest are not coming up to expectations, although arrivals at primary markets were bigger than those of a year ago. Some complaints of damage to the French wheat crop were received. Deliveries on May contracts were 150,000 bushels.

Corn was strong early on buying for local account and some demand from commission houses was noted. Country houses sold later and forced a reaction. The domestic shipping demand is quiet. Cash prices unchanged, with bids were out of line. Seaboard reported a little business worked for export. Receipts continue heavy. Weather continues to delay field work in many parts of the belt. Deliveries on May contracts were 974,000 bushels.

Oats were firm. There was buying on the improved cash demand. Cash interests bought May and sold July, and there was a little liquidation in July. Deliveries on May contracts were 968,000 bushels.

Provisions were quiet and firm. There was a better cash demand, especially for heavy dry salt bellies.

Today's cotton market was kept in a state of excitement by one series after another of reports of excessive rain in the South. These accounts came in all through the day and led to a wave of buying, bite result of which was one of the broadest and most extensive advances which cotton has seen this year. Prices closed with a net gain of 62 to 91 points and the last quotations were almost the best of the day.

Range of prices reported by Overbeck & Cooke company:

The wheat market closed unchanged to 2¼c higher: May, 1.42⅝ to 1.43⅝; July, 1.28⅝ to 1.28½; September, 1.19⅝ to 1.19¾.

Corn closed ¼ to ⅜c higher to ¼c lower; May, 61⅜ to 62; July, 65⅝@⅝; September, 68c. Reports of reselling corn by a corn products company caused the late selling.

Oats were ¼c to ⅜c higher; May, 37⅝c to ⅜@⅝c; July, 40¼c to 40¾c; September, 41⅜c.

Pork closed unchanged; lard, 5c higher and ribs, 15c higher to 5c lower.

Range of prices by United Press:

WHEAT

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| May | 141⅞ | 145⅞ | 141⅝ | 143⅝ |
| July | 128 | 128⅞ | 127¼ | 128⅛ |
| Sept. | 119⅝ | 120⅝ | 119¼ | 119¾ |
| CORN | | | | |
| May | 61⅞ | 62⅝ | 61⅜ | 61⅜ |
| July | 63⅝ | 66 | 65½ | 65⅝ |
| Sept. | 68¼ | 69⅛ | 67⅜ | 68 |
| OATS | | | | |
| May | 36⅞ | 37⅞ | 36⅞ | 37⅝ |
| July | 40 | 40⅝ | 40 | 40¼ |
| Sept. | 41⅝ | 42 | 41⅜ | 41⅜ |
| RYE | | | | |
| May | .... | 108⅝ | 108⅝ | 108⅝B |
| July | .... | 105¼ | 104½ | 105 B |
| BARLEY | | | | |
| May | .... | .... | .... | 67½B |
| PORK | | | | |
| May | .... | .... | .... | 2100 |
| LARD | | | | |
| May | 1090 | 1095 | 1090 | 1093 |
| July | 1110 | 1320 | 1110 | 1120 |
| September | 1140 | 1142 | 1140 | 1142 |
| RIBS | | | | |
| May | 1197 | 1197 | 1193 | 1193 |
| July | 1130 | 1130 | 1120 | 1120 |
| Sept. | .... | .... | .... | 1120 |

### WOOL PRICES REMAIN FIRM; MARKET IS STILL ACTIVE

(Boston Bureau of The Journal)

Boston, May 2.—Trading in the wool market today and no softening of prices. Dealers here are resentful of the tendency of manufacturers to invade the ranges and buy direct from growers. The sale of the Shoshone (Idaho) pool aggregating 1,000,000 pounds at 30 cents a pound in the grease had a decidedly stimulating effect on the market for territory wools. That price is estimated to be about double the figure obtained by the growers last year. Foreign markets were reported very strong with prices on the increase at Bradford.

### Dried Fruit and Beans

New York, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—Beans market steady. Marrow choice, $8.90@7.00; fancy choice, $7.25@7.35; red kidney choice, $8.20@8.25.

Dried fruits market—Prunes in stronger demand. Apricots, choice to ex-fancy, 23½c; apples, evaporated, prime to fancy, 19X21c; prunes, 30s to 80s, 13@13½c; prunes, 60s to 100s, 6¾@12½c; peaches, choice to ex-fancy, 21@22c; seeded raisins, choice to fancy, 14@15½c.

## NO LIVESTOCK IN FOR TRADERS

TUESDAY LIVESTOCK TRADE

| | Hogs. | Steers. | Lambs. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Portland | $11.50 | $8.25 | $14.00 |
| Chicago | 10.50 | 9.25 | 14.85 |
| Omaha | 9.90 | .... | .... |
| Kansas City | 10.20 | 8.50 | 15.70 |
| Denver | 10.10 | 8.00 | 15.40 |
| Seattle | 11.85 | .... | .... |
| San Francisco | 11.50 | 8.25 | 13.20 |

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

| | Hogs. | Cattle. | Calves. | Sheep. | Cars. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tuesday | 644 | .... | .... | 99 | 5 |
| Week ago | 1032 | .... | .... | 742 | 14 |
| 2 Weeks ago | 1186 | 29 | .... | 33 | 13 |
| 4 Weeks ago | 92 | 70 | .... | .... | 4 |
| Year ago | 311 | 101 | .... | 450 | 18 |
| 2 Years ago | 145 | .... | .... | 125 | 3 |
| 3 Years ago | 587 | 6 | 1 | 142 | 6 |
| 4 Years ago | 292 | 55 | 16 | 284 | 7 |

None of the carload shipments of livestock that reached North Portland Wednesday were sold on the open market. Trade conditions were therefore on a nominal basis with former prices generally continued.

In the hog alleys there was a supply of 644 head, but all of these were sold direct to killers, being purchased in the midwest. There were only odds and ends in the local market for the day. Trade conditions are steady.

General hog market range:

| | |
|---|---|
| Prime light | $11.00@11.50 |
| Smooth heavy, 230-300 lbs. | 10.00@11.00 |
| Smooth heavy, 300 lbs. up | 9.00@10.00 |
| Rough heavy | 7.00@ 9.50 |
| Fat pigs | 11.00@11.25 |
| Feeder pigs | 11.00@11.25 |
| Stags | 5.00@ 7.50 |

**No Cattle Arrive**

Fresh cattle supplies were absent from the North Portland alleys Tuesday and trade was maintained on a nominal basis with former prices considered favorably.

General cattle market range

| | |
|---|---|
| Choice steers | $ 7.75@ 8.25 |
| Medium to good steers | 7.00@ 7.75 |
| Fair to medium steers | 6.25@ 7.00 |
| Common to fair steers | 5.25@ 6.25 |
| Choice cows and heifers | 6.50@ 7.00 |
| Medium to good cows and heifers | 5.50@ 6.50 |
| Fair to medium cows and heifers | 4.75@ 5.50 |
| Common to fair cows and heifers | 3.75@ 4.75 |
| Canners | 2.25@ 3.75 |
| Bulls | 3.50@ 4.50 |
| Choice feeders | 5.00@ 6.00 |
| Fair to good feeders | 4.50@ 5.00 |
| Choice dairy calves | 8.00@ 9.00 |
| Prime light calves | 7.00@ 8.00 |
| Medium light calves | 6.00@ 6.50 |
| Heavy calves | 4.50@ 5.50 |

**Sheep on Contract**

Load of sheep that came to North Portland Tuesday was a direct shipment to a killer, therefore there was nothing fresh to offer the general trade during the session. All prices were nominally unchanged.

General sheep and lamb range:

| | |
|---|---|
| Best spring lambs | $13.00@14.00 |
| Medium spring lambs | 10.00@13.00 |
| Common spring lambs | 8.00@10.00 |
| East of mountain lambs | 13.00@14.00 |
| Willamette valley lambs | 11.00@13.00 |
| Fair to good lambs | 10.00@11.00 |
| Cull lambs | 6.00