

MARKET MOVEMENTS MODERATE

SPECULATIVE FRATERNITY OPERATES ON THE LONG SIDE, BUT TO LIMITED EXTENT.

New York, March 6.—The speculative fraternity operated on the long side of the stock market, but on a moderate scale. They seemed to draw favorable conclusions from the action on yesterday's market of the Kansas City Southern stocks and Canadian Pacific group based in one case on rumors of coming control by E. H. Harriman and on the other on an absorption of Wisconsin Central into the system. The effect was seen in the favor shown today of stocks of minor systems which might be merged to advantage in larger systems. The confidence with which several such stocks were pushed forward was not at all impaired by the fact that the Kansas City Southern itself was quite violently reactionary, under the weight of profit taking sales, while the Canadian Pacific group was neglected and inclined to the bear. Outside of the rather obscure stocks to which the speculation turned, the market operations were not on an important scale. The evidence that funds are again accumulating in banks' hands induced an execution of renewal of pressure for investment which has shown some signs of flagging, and especially in the case of the recent market. The supply of funds available in the money market is growing so abundant again that the prospects of a further outpour of gold is viewed with equanimity. The trivial price changes at the close of the day reveal the inconclusive character of the dealings. The change in the holdings of the banks was explained by the known movements of money, but the matter has little importance in view of the soft tone manifested by all departments of the money market.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, \$1,816,000.

United States is coupon advanced 1-4 per cent on call during the week.

New York Closing Stocks.

Amalgamated Copper	98 1/2
American Car & Foundry	48 1/2
American Locomotive	51 1/2
American Smelting & Refining	83
Do preferred, bid	128 1/2
Anaconda Mining Co	40 1/2
Atchafalaya	103 1/2
Do preferred	102 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	107 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	71 1/2
Canadian Pacific	107 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	65 1/2
Chicago & Northwestern	176
Cleveland, M. & St. Paul	142
Colorado Fuel & Iron	32 1/2
Colorado & Southern	63 1/2
Delaware & Hudson, bid	173
Denver & Rio Grande	44 1/2
Do preferred	86
Eric	25 1/2
Great Northern preferred	140 1/2
Great Northern ore cts.	68 1/2
Illinois Central	141
International Paper	95 1/2
Interborough-Met	15
Do preferred	42 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	128 1/2
Missouri Pacific	68
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	40 1/2
National Biscuit	102 1/2
National Lead	75 1/2
New York Central	123 1/2
Northern Pacific	136 1/2
Pacific Mail	29 1/2
Pennsylvania	129 1/2
People's Gas	110 1/2
Pressed Steel Car	26 1/2
Pullman Palace Car, bid	168
Reading	123 1/2
Rock Island Co	22 1/2
Do preferred	62
Southern Pacific	117 1/2
Southern Railway	24 1/2
Union Pacific	114 1/2
United States Steel	45
Do preferred	113 1/2
Wabash, bid	17 1/2
Western Union	65 1/2
Standard Oil	650

Boston Mining Stocks.

Adventure	8
Allouez	29
Amalgamated	68
Arizona Commercial	35 1/2
Atlantic	15
Butte Coalition	23
Calumet & Hecla	102
Calumet & Hecla	620
Centennial	29
Copper Range	76
Daly West	9 1/2
Franklin	13
Grandy	95
Greene Cananea	9 1/2
Isle Royale	28 1/2
Mass. Mining	7 1/2
Michigan	10 1/2
Mohawk	63
Montana Coal & Coke	25c
Nevada	17 1/2
Old Dominion	49 1/2
Oscoda	129
Parrot	28 1/2
Quincy	88
Shannon	14
Tamarack	81
Trinity	124
United Copper	12 1/2
United States Mining	40 1/2
United States Oil	29
Utah	29 1/2
Victoria	47
Winona	5
Wolverine	148
North Rutte	69 1/2

Grain and Provisions.

Chicago, March 6.—The volume of trading in the wheat market today was not large. Many traders were inclined to hold aloof in consequence of the forthcoming report of government experts which will be made public Monday, and which will show the amount of wheat in farmers' hands in March. Throughout the day prices fluctuated over a range of 1/8c to 1/4c. May selling between \$1.15 1/2 and \$1.16 1/4. The market closed strong at

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almost the top, with May at \$1.16 1/4, June at \$1.18 1/4 and July at \$1.19 1/4.

Realizing by country holders caused moderate weakness in oats at the start, but the market rallied early and continued firm. At the close prices were 1/4c to 1/2c higher. May being at 56 1/2c and July at 50 1/2c.

Provisions were strong all day and closed at net gains of 15c to 37 1/2c.

Metal Market.

New York, March 6.—The metal markets were quiet and unchanged in the absence of cables. Tin, \$28.50@28.75.

Copper unchanged with lake quoted at \$12.87 1/2@13.12 1/2; electrolytic at \$12.50@12.75; quiet at \$12.37 1/2@12.62 1/2. Lead was quiet at \$3.92 1/2@3.97 1/2. Spelter at \$4.72 1/2@4.77 1/2.

Wool Market.

St. Louis, March 6.—Wool unchanged. Medium grades, combed and clothing, 20@24c; light fine, 17@20 1/2c; heavy fine, 10@17c; tub washed, 20@24c.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, March 6.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund shows available cash balance, \$140,087,745; gold coin and bullion, \$11,358,498; gold certificates, \$48,234,080.

Clearing House Reports.

New York, March 6.—The statement of clearing house banks for the week shows that the banks hold \$11,782,175 in excess of the 25 per cent rate. This is a decrease of \$2,098,800 in the proportionate cash reserve as compared with last week. The statement follows:

Loans, \$1,312,632,500; decrease, \$3,357,900.

Deposits, \$1,950,950,000; decrease, \$8,023,000.

Circulation, \$48,719,300; increase, \$221,800.

Legal tender, \$80,904,400; increase, \$374,600.

Spells, \$271,115,900; decrease, \$4,480,600.

Reserves, \$352,019,900; decrease, \$4,107,900.

Reserve required, \$240,137,750; decrease, \$2,909,200.

Surplus, \$11,782,175; decrease, \$2,097,800.

Ex-United States deposits, \$12,383,450; decrease, \$2,145,200.

FRUITGROWERS ELECT OFFICERS

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ed mostly by men who have been in business, ex-storekeepers, ex-bankers, etc., and they run their orchards on the same strictly business lines that they run their business on. They find out the way a thing should be done to bring the best results and then they do it that way. The result is that Hood River is probably the best known apple district on the American continent; and if we, the Bitter Root valley, want to be on the map as an apple producing district we must go to it in a business-like way, and with the excellent facilities and the fine class of growers we have we will surely make good.

Apple Is King.

The apple is to the fruit family what wheat is to the cereals. It is the standard of the fruit measure. Like wheat it grows in nearly every climate under the sun, but it has certain favored localities where it reaches its highest state of perfection, both as to quality and grade. It is a well-known fact that the nearer you approach the northern limits of production the better the quality of the apple. Apples grown here in the Bitter Root valley, with its short summers and long hours of sunshine and cool nights, possess a better flavor and keep better than any other grown south or in warmer localities. We have in the Bitter Root mountains one of the finest and most productive valleys in the world, but we do not realize the truth of this statement. At our last annual meeting the stockholders instructed the board of directors to erect buildings to be used for warehouse purposes, and four buildings were erected at the following cost:

Warehouse, Hamilton \$1,125.00
Warehouse, Woodside \$386.00
Warehouse, Victor \$1,000.00
Spur, Victor \$80.00
Warehouse, Gorus Spur \$25.00
Spur, Gorus \$35.20

The association has paid off \$1,500.00 of the cost of these warehouses and still owes \$2,454.20.

Before the construction of these buildings we were informed by the Northern Pacific railway company, if we would build these warehouses they would prove a great assistance in facilitating the handling and transportation of our fruit shipment. The railway company did not like to "spot" cars on their own switches and have them stand there for several days before or while we were loading them. Besides it often became necessary for them to move the cars from one place to another thus causing us much inconvenience and loss of time in loading. The use of the warehouses have been a very great improvement in this respect. I am glad to be able to report that there was a big improvement in the service given us by the Northern Pacific railway company during the past 12 months over that which they reached in 1907. It has been clearly demonstrated that the warehouses are a necessity, and absolutely essential to the proper handling and transportation of our fruit. It is hoped that ere long we will have another railroad and also electric line that will handle freight in and out of the valley, thus giving us better transportation facilities.

I hope that any one who wishes to express himself will do so as suggestions are always welcome.

If I have seemed somewhat strict in some of my remarks I trust you will understand it is for the good of the cause, as I have the most earnest desire to reflect only actual conditions, and trust no one will try to force any shoes on that do not fit. The subject is a very serious one and the sooner we as business men as well as farmers get it right the better. If our orchards are not up to the standard, the sooner we make them so, the sooner we will begin to reap the benefits.

Respectfully submitted,
J. O. READ.

SUBMITS SUBSTITUTE MEASURE

JOHNSON WITHDRAWS MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS AND PRESENTS ANOTHER BILL.

Sacramento, Cal., Mar. 6.—Grove L. Johnson, author of the Japanese segregation bill that aroused so much antagonism in Washington earlier in the session, withdrew today. His reaction he had introduced in the assembly calling upon congress to enact an Asiatic exclusion law.

After withdrawing the resolution, Mr. Johnson introduced another embodying the same features and this was referred to the committee on introduction of bills, which will refuse to endorse it. The measure was adopted recently by the senate and when it reached the assembly yesterday was referred to a select committee of one, consisting of the speaker, Philip A. Stanton. Assemblyman Johnson feared it would not leave the speaker's pocket until the end of the session, owing to the latter's well-known antipathy to anti-Japanese legislation and felt that it would have a better chance with the committee on introduction of bills. This body, however, was carefully selected by Speaker Stanton with anti-Japanese measures in view, and will not endorse anything in the nature of an attack on the mikado's subjects.

Treasury Department.

Office of Comptroller of the Currency, Washington, February 13, 1909.

Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that

"The Western Montana National Bank of Missoula," in the city of Missoula, in the county of Missoula, and state of Montana.

Has complied with all the provisions of the "Act of congress to enable national banking associations to extend their corporate existence as for other purposes," approved July 12th, 1882.

Now, therefore, I, Thomas T. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that

"The Western Montana National Bank of Missoula," in the city of Missoula, in the county of Missoula and state of Montana, is authorized to have succession for the period specified in its amended articles of association, namely, until close of business on February 14, 1909.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and Seal of office this thirteenth day of February, 1909.

(Seal.) T. P. KANE, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency. No. 5995. Ex. No. 2488. 2-19 to 3-20.

NO CRIME TO STEAL NON-EDIBLE SNAKES

Los Angeles, March 6.—It is not larceny to steal a snake unless it is an edible snake. Boa constrictors are not edible and therefore one can poison them with impunity. So held Justice Somers when he released Sylvester White, 17 years of age, from a charge of grand larceny because he had purloined the pet boa constrictor of Frank LeRoy, a snake collector. But White had taken a watch and some other valuables besides the snake and was held for petit larceny, to which he pleaded guilty. White said he had pawned the snake to another party.

The court, in ruling on the subject of snakes as property, said:

"Under the laws of California it is not a crime to steal wild animals and snakes that are in captivity, unless they are used as food. The laws in many states regard these so-called pets as property and make it a larceny to steal them. This court will have to rule that it is not larceny to steal a snake."

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HAD NOT THE HEART TO PRESENT PICTURE

Washington, March 6.—When John Sharpe Williams, for six years minority leader, left the house to rest two years before coming to the senate, he did not take with him any memento of the esteem in which his fellow members held him. It was not the members' fault, however, for they commissioned an artist at a fancy price to paint a portrait of the noted Mississippi statesman, but the product was so disappointing none had the heart to present it.

"I know I am not handsome," commented Mr. Williams as he looked at the portrait, "but they could not have done worse if they had been painting Adam."

"When did he die?" asked Vice President Sherman.

"I could not give that to the man who had shot my dog," declared Representative Cushman of Washington, and the members decided he was right.

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Commissioners' Meeting.

There is hereby called an extra session of the board of commissioners of Missoula county for Monday, March 8, 1909, at the courthouse, to transact such business as may come before it. P. W. KUFFEL, Clerk. Attest: D. T. CURRAN, Chairman.

Undermuslin Sale

Last Opportunity to Get Sheer Undermuslin at Greatly Reduced Prices

Are you prepared for the spring and summer, so soon to close upon us? This sale, like all our other successful sales, comes the last of its kind, and will stand comparison with all previous sales of like character that have so recently been held; which is, by the way, a positive test of where the best bargains in Missoula are to be found at all seasons. The less expensive grades of muslin underwear are grouped in six different lots and embody all sizes and styles of undermuslins for all purposes, while the prices are unbelievably low. The finest of lingerie undergarments, in sheer nainsook, cambric, longcloth and lawn, lavishly trimmed with embroidery, insertion and lace—all in this big sale at prices heretofore unapproached.

Note Styles and Prices in the Big Window Display

Lot 1

Smart creations in children's muslin skirts, waists, drawers and nightgowns. The early shoppers will secure first choice of these and as the lot is limited they cannot last long. Splendid values (see illustration) at only

12¹/₂c

Lot 2

Contains corset covers and children's drawers, skirts and waists in plain tucked styles. Materials are of good quality, making a rousing good value (see illustration) at

19c

Lot 3

Plain trimmed nightgowns, chemise and corset covers and women's and children's drawers occupy this group. Very nice merchandise these in this big sale (see illustration) at

30c

Lot 4

Nicely tucked undermuslins, full and large; corset covers, chemise, skirts, drawers, and nightgowns for women; good workmanship throughout of good grade material (see illustration); only

60c

Lot 5

Same garments as in Lot 4, only these materials are slightly better, and embroidery and a few lace trimmings are conspicuous. Extraordinary good values (see illustration) at

90c

Lot 6

Contains undermuslins for every function that woman has occasion for. Neat trimmings of embroidery and insertion, also lace edgings. Take your choice of a variety of styles (see illustration) for

\$1.25

Sale of Finest Lingeries

Combination Suits

Splendid models of nainsook or lawn, trimmed with embroidery or Val lace insertion and edging. These suits take away the superfluous fullness so necessary in princess styles for spring. Prices from

\$2 to \$3.50

Fine Petticoats

Excellent qualities of muslin, cambric, longcloth, nainsook and lawn in luxurious developments of the latest styles. No handsomer nor so profuse an assortment in our city. Very special from

\$2.50 to \$7.50

Corset Covers

Round, square or V-neck as desired; some with shield steeves; quantities of them in nainsook, linenlawn and longcloth. Profuse trimming of lace and embroidery insertion and edging, now

69c to \$3

Night Gowns

From the conservative to the most elaborate trimmings of torchon and Val lace. Embroidery and frills of lace in exquisitely dainty effects,

\$1 to \$3.50

Chemise

Any style of neck, some with yoke; embroidered and inset with dainty lace. Styles from the simple to most elaborate. Now

\$1.50 to \$3.50

Drawers

Big Savings in the lot we are offering for today's selling

Shoes

Men's extra heavy tap soles, chrome calf-skin shoes, in black and tan leathers. An ideal shoe for workmen during wet and slushy spring weather. Very specially priced at

\$3.00

The same in plain cap toe and one-half double sole. Very specially priced at

\$2.50

Men's fine calfskin shoes, in medium and light weight leathers. Business men will find them just the thing; also desirable for dress among many. Extra special at

\$3.00

Bedspreads

\$1.75 Bedspreads, hemmed, Mar-seilles pattern; special

\$1.19

\$2.00 Bedspreads, cut corner, fringed, full size, Mar-seilles patterns; special

\$1.39

\$3.50 Bedspreads, full sized, hemmed, handsome Mar-seilles patterns; bargain price

\$2.19

All Bedspreads with pink, blue or red grounds, cut corners, fringed all around, some hemmed; see them and be convinced of their \$4.00 and \$5.00 values, now only

\$2.19

Hosiery

Every odd pair of women's fine embroidered and lace hose in the house collected in one lot; boot effects; all sizes in one style or another; colors, black or tan; positively 65c to 75c values; on sale at 3 pair for

\$1.00, or, pair 35c

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