JAPAN AIMS TO BAR OUT RIVAL SHIPS

Germans Help Nipponese Effort to Monopolize Trade of the Pacific

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While the Americans were in Siberia, it was often necessary for me, as an intelligence officer, to have contact with the officials of Japanese steamship lines, and in almost every instance of calls at the office of such lines in Vladivostok, I was struck by the prevalence of Germans and Austrians there.

The explanation came after a while from one of the young Germans, who was working in a technical capacity:

"We are helping the Japanese build up their steamship lines," he stated calmly.

JAPS TAKE OVER OLD GERMAN ROUTES

From that little incident I developed the fact that the Japanese have not only taken over the old German trade routes of the Pacific, but that they are being assisted in perfecting the business of the lines by former employes or officers of the old German merchant marine. It is most important, if any nation is to have a foothold in a territory, to control the maritime rights there, and Japan has realized this to the extent that she is crowding out other shipping in the Pacific.

During the war the ship owners of the United States practically gave Pacific ocean shipping, both freight and passenger carrying, to the Japanese boats. Now that ship owners and shipping corporations of the American Pacific coast are re-entering the field, building new boats and sending them out into the old German lanes of transportation, Japan regards the action as somewhat hostile.

She has a fine weapon to defeat such American competition, altho she is not using it against other nations, so far as I have been able to learn. That is, delaying ships of American registry in her Japanese national or controlled ports, either thru failure to find berths for them or thru coaling delays.

"When I get back from this trip, I am going to resign and go to the Atlantic," several masters of American freighters told me, not only in Vladivostok, but in Japanese and Chinese ports as well. The reason they said this was that their master certificates were in danger because of the great delays they have suffered in Eastern ports at the hands of the Nipponese.

In some of the Japanese ports modern fueling methods have been adopted, but in the majority of cases they still coal ships by the ancient basket method, a long string of coolie women, each carrying from the dock storage spaces to the bunkers of the ship her little basket of coal.

American freighters, when touching Japanese ports, will experience long delays in finding berths. When they do get to the docks, fuel is the next problem. These things do not happen in every case of an American ship docking, but they happen often enough to discourage the American ship masters. In coaling, the delays are manipulated either by the native stevedore agencies, who state that they are unable to secure the labor, or else by the native coal company heads, who give as excuse for inability to deliver fuel that they had not enough advance notice.

CREDIT MEN TO SPOKANE

Twenty retail credit men of this city will attend the first district convention in Spokane, February 24 and 25, of the Retail Credit Men's Association of the Northwest.

RAIL BONDS NOT SECURITY

City officials may not accept municipal street railway bonds as security for city deposits in banks, according to an opinion by Corporation Counsel Walter F. Meier Friday. The opinion was written at the request of City Comptroller Harry W. Carroll.

BUILDERS TO MEET

In conjunction with the Associated General Contractors, the Northwest Master Builders' association will hold a convention at the Hotel Davenport in Spokane, March 1, 2 and 3. Practically all of Seattle's master builders will attend.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

Robinson, W. R., 304 E. Olive, boy.
Netzer, E. F., 7224 Fourth N. W., boy.
Little, E. N., 9448 Rainier ave., boy.
Neylor, James, 4417 39th S. W., girl.
Jones, G. W., 5022 Seventh N. E., girl.
Lacey, E. R., 154 29th ave., girl.
Roberts, J. F., 4512 46th S., boy.
La Salle, Alfonse, 1405½ 20th S., girl.
Curry, Harold, 4504 18th N. E., girl.
Purinton, C. L., 1917 Eastlake, girl.
McMartin, Alexander, 327 First ave. W., girl.
Ekre, G. J., 159 Newell st., girl.
Cable, H. T., 3124 Alki ave., girl.
Thompson, N. E., 1739 27th S., boy.
Abram, Frank, 5131 Graham st., boy.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Name and Residence.	Age.
Kira, Hiromu, Seattle	22
Nakao, Sadayo, Port Blakeley	18
Cunningham, C. K., Seattle	Legal
Smith, Mildred, Seattle	Legal
Brewer, Linus V., Olympia	Legal
Nulton, Grace, Olympia	Legal
Chirilo, Peter, Seattle	36
Durrant, Myrtle, Seattle	19
Marks, Henry D., Seattle	Legal
Sweet, Virginia, Auburn	Legal
Horgan, William, Seattle	Legal
Seabrook, Helen A., Seattle	Legal
Nelson, Charles J., Seattle	Legal
Aita, Helma M., Kirkland	Legal
Pettit, H. O., Spokane	Legal
Konigsdorfer, Grace, Spokane	Legal
Shultz, James M., Aberdeen	26
Earlywine, Laurel W., Aberdeen	Legal

DIVORCES GRANTED

Copeland, Genevieve from William.
Heaston, R. R. from Edna.
Evans, Harry W. from Lois R.
McPherson, Gordon from May E.

DEATHS

Anderson, Dorothy, 28, 5032 46th S. W.
Kelly, James, 71, county hospital.
Freeburg, Charles, 69, 325 Third N.
Roper, Laura V., 24, Blaine.
Ford, infant, 4 days, 5519 38th N. E.
Marshell, Lillian, 1, 706 Yesler way.
Reimers, Marie, 25, 510 Broadway.
Hall, George E., 66, 528 17th ave. N.

Ship News

Tides in Seattle

SATURDAY FEB. 19	SUNDAY FEB. 20
First High Tide 3:14 a. m., 11.1 ft.	First High Tide 3:56 a. m., 11.8 ft.
First Low Tide 9:13 a. m., 7.3 ft.	First Low Tide 9:14 a. m., 6.6 ft.
Second High Tide 1:26 p. m., 11.4 ft.	Second High Tide 2:30 p. m., 11.6 ft.
Second Low Tide 8:43 p. m., —0.8 ft.	Second Low Tide 9:32 p. m., —1.0 ft.

STORM WARNING

Southwest storm warnings were ordered displayed at 11:30 a. m. Saturday. A moderate storm approaching the Washington coast was expected to cause fresh to strong southwesterly gales Saturday and Saturday night.

Warnings were ordered displayed at all Washington and Oregon seaports.

PORT SHOWS PROFIT

After setting aside $304,229.10 for interest and $95,056.08 for depreciation, the port commission report for 1920, just issued, shows a profit of $91,760.23. Increased efficiency which reduced the cost of handling goods at the terminals is said to be responsible for the substantial profit shown.

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RATES WILL AID PORT

Seattle overseas commerce will be boosted if rates now contemplated by Eastern railways, permitting this city to compete with Atlantic ports in shipments bound for points east of Chicago from the Orient, are established. Local railroad officials were notified Friday of the probability of such rates.

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BETSY ROSS COMING HOME

Returning to Puget sound for the first time since her maiden voyage, in 1917, the sailing schooner Betsy Ross is on her way to Seattle from Singapore. She is commanded by Capt. Charles H. Chase, and is a product of the Seaborn Shipbuilding Co., at Tacoma.

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SEATTLE-BUILT SHIP DUE

The largest merchant vessel ever built in the Northwest, the steamer Walter A. Luckenbach, is due in Seattle early next week. She sailed from this port in 1918 to carry army supplies to France. Later she was turned back to the Luckenbach Steamship Co., of New York, and now will enter the intercoastal service of that firm.

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Weather Bureau Report

(Special from the United States Weather Bureau.)

TATOOSH ISLAND, Feb. 19.—8 A. M.—Barometer rising; rain; wind south, 20 miles an hour. February 18—Noon—Sprinkling, rain; wind east, 20 miles an hour. Passed inward: A two-mast steamer with red stack and white band, black "W" on band, probably West Jester, at 9:40 a. m. Arrived, str Angeles, str Arizonan, at 9:40 a. m., departed at 10:15 a. m. 3 P. M.—Passed in, a steamer, probably motorship Dollar, at 12:30 p. m. 5 P. M.—Cloudy, wind southeast, 15 miles an hour.

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Arrivals and Departures

Arrived

February 19— str Cordova from Nanaimo, at 4 a. m.; str Morning Star from British Columbia ports, at 2 a. m. February 18—Str Henry T. Scott from San Francisco via Astoria, at 11:40 a. m.; str Arizonan from Boston via New York, Cristobal, San Pedro and San Francisco, at 5:30 p. m.; str West Ivis from Tacoma, at 7 p. m.

Sailed

February 19—Str Governor for San Pedro via Victoria and San Francisco at 11 a. m.; str Northwestern for Southwestern via Southeastern Alaska, at 9 a. m.; str Eemdijk for Rotterdam via Comox, B. C., San Francisco and Cristobal, at 7:30 a. m. February 18—Str Cross Keys for Tacoma, at 7:15 p. m.; str Wilfaro for New York via Portland, San Francisco, San Pedro, Cristobal, Savannah and Charleston, at 4 p. m.

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Vessels in Other Ports

Rotterdam—February 15—Arrived, str Moerdyk from Seattle via Vancouver, San Francisco, Cristobal, London and Hamburg.

Manila—February 16—Sailed, str Suwa Maru for Seattle via Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.

Kobe—February 15—Sailed, str Tajima Maru for Seattle via Yokohama.

Boston—February 17—Sailed, str M. C. Brush for Seattle via Balboa, San Pedro and San Francisco.

New York—February 18—Arrived, motorship Buenos Aires from Seattle via Tacoma, Vancouver, B. C., San Francisco and Balboa; str Julia Luckenbach from Seattle via San Francisco, San Pedro and Balboa; str Stanley Dollar from Seattle via San Francisco and Cristobal. Sailed, str Steel Ranger for Seattle via Cristobal, San Pedro and San Francisco.

Vancouver, B. C.—February 18—Sailed, str Morning Star for Seattle; str Westham for Seattle.

Dungeness—February 18—Passed in, str Arizonan for Seattle, at 11:50 a. m.

Tacoma—February 18—Arrived, str Lehigh from Seattle, at 2 p. m.; str West Ivis from Seattle, at 9 a. m., and sailed for Seattle at 3:30 p. m.

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Reported by Wireless

Canadian Government

February 18—Str Melville Dollar, 544 miles from Cape Flattery, inbound, at 8 p. m.; str Horace X. Baxter, leaving Sliamman Bay, northbound, at 1:30 p. m.

U. S. Naval Communications

February 18—Str Admiral Dewey, Seattle for San Francisco, 396 miles from Seattle at 8 p. m.; str Rainier, Seattle for San Francisco, 223 miles from Seattle at 8 p. m. February 17—Str West Jessup, Kobe for Seattle, 2,677 miles from Cape Flattery at 8 p. m.

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Vessels in Port at Seattle

Smith Cove terminal—Str West Notus.
Bell st. terminal—U S C G Algonquin.
Pier 1—Str Morning Star.
Pier 2—Str Cordova.
Pier 5—Str Delight.
Pier A—Str Admiral Goodrich, str Admiral Rodman.
Pier B—Str City of Seattle, str Admiral Watson.
Pier D—Str Governor.
Union Pacific terminal—U S N C Brookline, str Arizonan.
U. S. Shipping Board Yards—Str Iconium, str Westward Ho, str West Hartland, str West Himrod, str Eastern Leader, str Yosemite.
Alaska Steamship mooring—Str Victoria, str Skagway, str Santa Ana.
Lander Street terminal—Str West Nilus.
Hanford Street terminal—Str Edward Luckenbach.
Spokane Street terminal—Str Eemdijk.
East Waterway Dock & Warehouse—Str Kayseckа, str Deuel, str West Ivis.
Todd Dry Dock—Str Forest King.
Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging Co.—Hull Rainbow, str Patterson.
Ames Yard—Str Roosevelt.
Colman Creosoting Co.—Str Henry T. Scott.
Heffernan dock—Str Ketchikan, str Jefferson, U S Surveyor, U S C & G S Wawona.

Street Car Strikes Woman; Breaks Leg

Mrs. M. C. Gordan, 2615 E. Cherry st., was in Providence hospital Saturday, her right leg broken. She was struck by an E. Cherry st. car at 27th ave. and E. Cherry st., Thursday night.

WAGE REDUCTION

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 19.—Reduction of 15 per cent in wages, effective March 1, has been announced by the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing company here. Decreasing prices and competitive business forced the cut, it was stated.

Main List Firm With Little N. Y. Trading

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Heavy sales in Atlantic-Gulf, both common and preferred, and in Mexican Petroleum and Central Leather, continued thru the first hour of today's short session on the stock market.

Atlantic-Gulf preferred made a new record low of 37½ and common got below 50. Traders continued to predict a dividend cut in this stock. Mexican Petroleum, altho selling off only an eighth at a time, got down to 156¾, a loss of 3¾. Traders expect the Harding administration to take a firm stand in regard to Mexico and believe that country will be dependent upon the United States for financial aid. On the statement of poor earnings, Central Leather common was off ¾ at 36⅛, and the preferred lost one at 84.

The rest of the list was comparatively firm with very little trading.

Quotations were generally irregular at the opening today. United States Steel was unchanged at 83⅝; Mexican Petroleum, 159½, unchanged; General Motors, 14¼, unchanged; Atlantic Gulf, 54¼, off 1; Retail Stores, 56½, unchanged; Lehigh Valley, 52⅞, up ⅛; New Haven, 19⅞, up ⅛; Pan-American, 76¼, off 1¼; Reading, 76⅛, off ⅝; Southern Pacific, 78⅝, off ⅛; American Sugar, 94¼, up ⅜; Central Leather, 36⅞, off ⅜; American Tobacco, 120¾, off ⅛; Union Pacific, 120½, up ½; Studebaker, 60½, off ¼; Norfolk & Western, 104, up ¼.

The market closed lower.

The feature of the final trading was a bad break in American Woolen, which carried it down to 61⅛, off 5⅝. After rallying to 51½, Atlantic Gulf reacted to near the low of the first hour and closed at 50¼, off 5. Central Leather closed 1½ lower at 36⅛, while Mexican Petroleum was off 2¼ at 158⅝.

Among the coppers Utah closed at 52½, off 2⅜.

Other closing prices were:

United States Steel, 83⅝, off ¼; Baldwin Locomotive, 89⅞, off ⅝; Crucible, 94⅛, up ¼; Ajax, 28½, off ½; Studebaker, 60⅛, off ⅝; Reading, 76¾, off ¼; Asphalt, 66⅝, off ½.

GRAIN FUTURES MAKE ADVANCE

Southwest Snowfall Influences Market

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Grain prices advanced sharply on the Chicago Board of Trade today, due to free buying. Commission houses bought heavily. Reports of snowfall in the Southwest influenced the market. Provisions were irregularly lower.

March wheat opened off ⅛c at $1.67, but gained 3c later. May wheat opened ⅛c off at $1.67⅛, and advanced 2⅛c at the close.

May corn opened unchanged at 69¾c, closing up 1c. July corn opened off ⅛c at 71⅝c and closed 1⅛c higher.

May oats opened off ¼c at 45c and advanced ⅝c at the close. July oats opened at 45½c, off ¼c, and closed up 1¼c.

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Chicago Board of Trade

(Saturday's Quotations)

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	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
March	$1.67	$1.70⅝	$1.64⅝	$1.70
May	1.67⅛	1.69⅛	1.67	1.69
Corn—				
May	.69⅝	.71	.69⅝	.70⅝
July	.71⅛	.72⅝	.71	.72⅝
Oats—				
May	.45	.45⅝	.45	.45⅝
July	.45½	.46⅝	.45¼	.46⅝
Pork—				
May	21.10	21.10	20.95	20.95
Lard—				
May	12.05	12.10	12.02	12.02
July	12.45	12.45	12.37	12.37
Ribs—				
May	11.25	12.05	11.15	12.00
July		—Nominal—		11.55

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Chicago Car Lots

(Friday's Quotations)

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Grain—	Rects.	Cont.	Estd.	Lt. Yr.
Wheat	8	8	6	15
Corn	177	130	178	120
Oats	38	22	2	6

ESTIMATED TOMORROW

Wheat, 18 cars; corn, 154 cars; oats, 41 cars.

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Chicago Live Stock

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Hogs—Receipts, 10,000. Market 10c lower. Bulk of sales, $8.85@9.50; butchers, $8.85@9.65; packing, $7.85@8.65; light, $9@9.75; pigs, $8.75@9.65; rough, $7.50@8.15.

Cattle—Receipts, 1,000. Market steady. Beef, $7.75@10.90; butcher stock, $5.25@9.25; canners and cutters, $2.25@5; stockers and feeders, $5.75@8.75; cows, $4@7.75; calves, $9.50@12.25.

Sheep—Receipts, 6,000. Market steady. Lambs, $6.75@9.50; ewes, $2@5.25.

San Francisco Produce

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—Butter—Extras, 57c lb.

Cheese—California flats, fancy, 35c lb.

Eggs—Extras, 37c doz.; extra pullets, 32½c doz.; undersized, 21½c doz.

Denver Live Stock Market

DENVER, Feb. 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 500. Market steady. Steers, $6@7.45; cows and heifers, $4.50@5.75; stockers and feeders, $4.75@6.50; calves, $9@11.

Hogs—Receipts, 150. Market steady. Top, $9; bulk, $8.50@8.75.

Sheep—No receipts. Lambs, $6@8.25; ewes, $2.75@4.50; feeders, $5.50@6.50.

Portland Market Status

PORTLAND, Feb. 19.—Cattle—Market nominal, unchanged.

Hogs—Market nominal, unchanged.

Sheep—Market nominal, unchanged.

Butter—54c lb.

Eggs—27@35c doz.

Cheese—Triplets, 24c lb.

Hens—30c lb.

N. Y. Coffee and Sugar

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Sugar, easy. Raw, $5.44@5.77; refined, dull; granulated, $7.50.

Coffee—No. 7 Rio, spot, 7@7¼c; No. 4 Santos, 9¾@10c.

Foreign Exchange

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Sterling was unchanged at the opening of foreign exchange today. Quotations were: Sterling, $3.84¾, off .01¼; francs, .0706, off .0010; lire, .0262, off .0003; marks, .0158, off .0008; Canadian dollars, .8650, unchanged.

ALASKA COMMERCE MENDS

Altho Alaskan commerce for 1920 showed a decline of more than a million dollars, it was much better than the condition of 1919, when the falling off was in the neighborhood of $17,000,000, according to a statement by the United States customs bureau at Juneau.

RECLAMATION WHITEWASHED

OLYMPIA, Feb. 19.—The state board of reclamation was given a complete whitewash in the report of the special joint investigating committee filed today.

The committee's report cleared the reclamation board of charges of wasteful and reckless expenditures, declared that the board had exercised diligence and caution in the purchase of irrigation bonds and asserted that expenditures in the Methow Okanogan district were justified.

The report was adopted by both the senate and house.

The investigators answered charges preferred by the American Legion that no soldiers had been placed on the land by the statement that the appropriation of $150,000 was wholly inadequate to carry on any feasible scheme of land settlement.

Charges that W. W. Sherman, former state treasurer, had been employed at $250 a month to lobby for the reclamation board at the present session of the legislature were justified by the committee.

HOLD MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Toasts by students and members of the faculty featured the first monthly luncheon of Wilson's Business college salesmanship and efficiency classes, held Friday at Boldt's cafe.

N. Y. Stock Exchange

(Friday's Quotations)

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Stock—	High	Low	Close
Atchison	82¼	82⅛	82¼
Amer. Beet Sugar	48	48	48
Arher. Car & Fdy	124	124	124
Amer. International	46⅝	45¾	46
Amer. Sumatra	85¼	82½	85
Amer. Locomotive	85¼	84½	84½
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	100¼	100	100
Anaconda	39⅝	39¼	38¾
Balt. & Ohio	34	33¾	34
Baldwin Locomotive	90⅝	89⅞	90¼
Bethlehem Stel "B"	58	57	57½
Canadian Pacific	117¼	116⅝	116⅝
Central Leather	37⅛	36¼	37
C., M. & St. P.	27⅝	27⅝	27¼
Cuba Cane Sugar	25	24⅛	24½
Corn Products	71½	70½	70⅝
Crucible	94⅝	92⅝	93⅝
General Motors	14¼	14	14
Goodrich	37	35¼	35¼
Great Northern	76⅝	76⅛	76½
Industrial Alcohol	70	69⅝	69¾
Inspiration	36⅛	35¼	35¼
Kennecott	19¼	18⅞	19⅛
Lackawanna	55½	55⅛	55⅛
Mexican Petroleum	161½	159	160⅝
Missouri Pacific	19	18⅝	18⅝
New Haven	20¼	19¾	19⅝
Northern Pacific	84¼	83⅝	84
Pan-Amer. Petroleum	77⅛	76½	77
Pierce-Arrow	27⅛	25⅝	26⅛
Pennsylvania R. R.	40¼	40	40
Reading	76⅝	74⅝	76⅝
Republic Iron & Steel	68⅝	67	67⅝
Rock Island	27⅝	27	27⅛
Sinclair Oil	24¼	23⅝	23⅝
Southern Pacific	78⅞	78⅛	78⅛
Southern Railway	22	21⅝	21⅝
Stromberg	27¼	27⅛	27⅛
Studebaker	61⅛	59⅛	60⅝
Texas Co.	43⅛	42⅛	42⅛
Texas Pacific	22⅝	22⅛	22½
Tobacco Products	55⅝	53	54¼
Union Oil of Dela.	21⅝	21⅛	21⅝
Union Pacific	121¼	120¼	120¼
United Rst. Stores	56⅝	55⅝	56½
U. S. Rubber	70⅝	68⅞	69⅝
U. S. Steel	83⅞	82⅞	83⅝
Utah Copper	55¼	55	55
Van. Steel	37⅛	36⅝	37⅛
Wabash	7⅛	7⅜	7⅜
Westinghouse	46¼	46	46
Willys-Overland	7⅝	7⅜	7⅜
Brook. Rapid Trans.	12⅛	12⅜	12⅜
Alaska-Juneau	1¼	1⅛	1⅛

Total stock sales, 572,600 shares.

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LIBERTY BONDS

	High	Low	Close
First 3½'s	91.38	91.20	91.26
First 4's	86.90	86.70	87.20
Second 4's	86.90	86.70	86.80
First 4¼'s	87.46	87.26	87.30
Second 4¼'s	86.96	86.82	86.92
Third 4¼'s	90.04	89.92	90.02
Fourth 4¼'s	87.14	87.00	87.10
Fifth 3¾'s	97.40	97.24	97.28
Fifth 4¼'s	97.42	97.34	97.38

Total bond sales, $8,760,000.

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Foreign Securities

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Stock—	Bid	Asked
Russian 5½'s, 1921	13⅛	14⅛
Russian 5½'s, 1926	9⅛	11⅛
Russian 4½'s, 1919	15	16
French 5's, 1921	57	58⅛
French 4's, 1917	49	51
French 5's, 1920	69	71
Italian 5's, 1918	27	28⅛
British 5's, 1922	356	359
British 5's, 1927	377	381
British 5's, 1929	367	381
British Victs. 4's	393	395
British Ref. 4's	266	280
Belgium Restor. 5's	67	68⅛
Belgium Premium	72⅛	75
German W. L. 6's	13⅛	14
Berlin 4's	13⅛	15
Hamburg 4's	15⅛	17
Hamburg 4½'s	14⅛	16
Leipzig 4½'s	14⅛	16⅛
Leipzig 5's	16	18
Munich 4's	15⅛	17⅛
Munich 5's	17⅛	20
Jap 4's	63	63½
Jap. 1, 4½'s	82½	82⅝
Jap. 2, 4½'s	83½	83⅝
Paris 6's	95½	96⅝
Un. K. 5½'s, 1921	99½	99⅝
Un. K. 1922	96⅛	96⅝
Un. K. 1929	88⅝	89
Un. K. 1937	85⅝	86⅛

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Railroad Securities

(Friday's Quotations)

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Stock—	Bid	Asked
Atchison Gen. 4's	77⅝	78⅛
B. & O. Gold 4's	78⅛	78⅝
Beth. Steel Ref. 5's	82⅛	82
Cent. Pacific 1st 4s	72⅛	73
C. B. & Q. Joint 4's	97⅛	97⅝
St. Paul Gen. 4's	76⅝	77⅛
C. & N. W. Gen. 4's	73	76
L. & N. 4's	82⅛	83
N. Y. Railway 5's	17	Bid
N. P. P. L. 4's	76⅝	76⅝
Reading Gen. 4's	81½	82
U. P. Gen. 4's	80⅛	81⅝
U. S. Steel S. F. 5's	95⅛	95½
U. P. Ref. 4's	76	76⅝
S. P. Conv. 5's	91	Bid
S. P. Conv. 4's	77⅝	78
Penn. Conv. 4½'s	87	88
Penn. Gen. 4½'s	79⅝	80⅛
C. & O. Conv. 5's	81⅝	82⅛
O. S. L. Ref. 4's	79	79⅝

CALL MEETING ON SKAGIT JOB

After postponing for two weeks a report on the call for bids on $1,000,000 worth of hydro-electric machinery for the Skagit project, in which bidders were asked to accept pay in bonds and buy $1,000,000 worth of bonds besides, the board of public works decided Friday to review the whole matter of immediate Skagit development at a special meeting Monday.

Whether or not any bids have been received was not announced, but it was made clear that the board contemplated no interruption of the work. If necessary, it is expected that the city will follow Mayor Caldwell's suggestion to sell outright $1,000,000 or $2,000,000 worth of bonds.

On the construction of a fire station in West Seattle all bids exceeded the city engineer's estimate of the cost and were rejected by the board. Action on a bid to grade and fill First ave. S., below Spokane st., estimated to cost $80,000, will be taken at the next meeting.

MOVE RAILWAY OFFICES

Uptown offices of the Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Union Pacific railway lines will be located temporarily at 902 Second ave., in the office of the Canadian National railways. These offices were formerly located in the Boston block, which is to be razed.

BANK CLEARINGS

Clearings	$3,814,017.25
Balances	931,228.43

BUTTER GOES UP 3 CENTS

Cheese and Eggs Remain Firm and Steady

Butter was up three cents Saturday morning on the local wholesale market, due to an increasing scarcity. The quotations were, for local creamery bricks, 56 cents and 55 cents in cubes. Cheese and eggs were steady and firm.

Radishes, a novelty on the street, were selling at 35 cents per dozen bunches. Cucumbers, parsley and sprouts were very scarce along the avenue.

A few days of hard rain in California has delayed the shipment of oranges temporarily. Most commission houses are supplied with enough to carry them over, and claim a shortage will not be noticed, while others express an opposite opinion.

VEGETABLES

Prices Paid Wholesale Dealers

Artichokes—Per doz.	2.25
Beets—Per sack	1.25@1.50
Broccoli—Or., flats	2.25@2.75
Brussels Sprouts—Per lb.	.20
Cabbage—Per lb.	.01½
Carrots—Per sack	1.25
Cauliflower—Cal., per crate	3.00
Flats	2.25@2.50
Celery—Cal., per crate	5.50@6.00
Cucumbers—Cal. hothouse, dz.	2.75@4.00
Garlic—Per lb.	.06
Local, per lb.	.20
Green Peas—Cal., per lb.	.20@ .22
Green Peppers—Cal., per lb.	.35
Florida, per lb.	.40
Horseradish—Per lb.	.18@ .20
Leeks—Local, per bunch	.40
Lettuce—Cal.	2.00@2.50
Imperial Valley, per crate	3.75
Onions—Per lb.	.01½@ .02
Onion Sets—Per lb.	.08@ .08½
Parsley—Cal., per doz. bunches	.35
Peppers—Per lb.	.07½@ .08
Potatoes—Per ton—	
E. Wash.	28.00@35.00
Local, white	17.00@22.00
Rhubarb—Local hot house, lb.	.12½@ .15
Rutabagas—Per sack	1.50
Spinach—Per case	1.35
Los Angeles, per basket	1.75@2.25
Walla Walla, per case	1.25@1.35
Squash—Per lb.	.04½
Sweet Potatoes—Per lb.	.07
Arkansas—Per hamper	2.25
Tomatoes—Mexican, per lug	5.00@5.50
Turnips—Local, per sack	1.75@2.00
E. Wash.	1.50@2.00
Yams—Tenn., per hamper	3.50

FRUITS

Prices Paid Wholesale Dealers

Apples—	
E. Wash.	1.00@3.50
Local cooking	.75@1.75
Bananas—Per lb.	.12½
Cocoanuts—Per 100	12.00
Tahiti—Per doz.	2.50
Dates—Per case	7.00
Figs—Dried, per 25-lb. box	4.00
Smyrna	.50
Grape Fruit—Florida, per case	7.50@8.00
Imperial valley	6.00@6.50
Honey—Comb, per crate	7.50@8.00
Strained, per lb.	.19@ .22
Lemons—Per box	3.50@4.50
Oranges—Per case	3.00@5.25
Pears	1.50@3.50
Pineapples—Per crate	2.50
Tangerines—Per case	4.00

NUTS

Prices Paid Wholesale Dealers

Almonds—Per lb.	.27@ .28
Brazil—Per lb.	.35
Chestnuts—Cal., per lb.	.25
Japanese	.20
Filberts—Per lb.	.16@ .17
Walnuts—Cal.	.26@ .28
Peanuts—Virginia Keystone, lb.	.12
Japanese	.08@.08½
Pecans—Per lb.	.30

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Prices Paid to Shippers

Butterfat	.58
Eggs—Fresh ranch	.36@ .37
Pullets	.25
Milk—Per cwt.	1.90

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Prices Paid Wholesale Dealers

Butter—Local creamery	.55
Brick	.56
Eggs—Fresh ranch	.36
Pullets	.30
Cheese—	
Or. triplets	.23
Wisconsin cream brick	.30
Limburger	.35
Block Swiss	.35
Wash. triplets	.23

POULTRY

Prices Paid by Wholesale Dealers to Shippers

Ducks	.30
Hens—Under 4 lbs.	.30
4 lbs. and up	.30
Springs	.30
Geese	.25
Turkeys—Live	.35
Belgian Hares—Live	.17

POULTRY

Prices Paid Wholesalers

Ducks—Dressed	.40
Springs	.45
Hens—Dressed	.27@ .30
Geese	.25
Turkeys—Dressed	.45

MEAT

Quotations at Stockyards

Hogs—	
Primes	10.75@11.25
Smooth heavy	9.75@10.75
Rough heavy	6.75@ 7.25
Pigs	9.00@11.50
Cattle—	
Best steers	8.25@ 8.75
Medium to choice	6.25@ 7.25
Best cows and heifers	6.50@ 7.00
Bulls	5.00@ 6.00
Calves	11.00@12.50
Sheep—	
Prime lambs	8.75@ 9.50
Yearlings	6.75@ 7.25
Wethers	5.50@ 6.25
Ewes	2.00@ 4.25

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED

Wholesale Price Per Ton, City Price

Barley—Whole	42.00
Rolled	44.00
Oats—Rolled	48.00
Whole	46.00
Corn—Whole	38.00@40.00
Cracked	40.00
Rick Feed	67.00
Chick Mash	67.00
Chick Developer	67.00
Chop	45.00@47.00
Ground Bone	67.00
Wheat—Mixed Feed	37.00
Alfalfa	26.00
Alfalfa Meal	32.00
Scratch Feed	55.00
Wheat	40.00
Cocoanut Meal	32.00
Cotton Seed Meal	52.00
Fish Meal	114.00
Crystal Grits	28.00
Limestone Grits	20.00
Granite Grits	28.00
Linseed Meal	57.00
Egg Mash	62.00
Meat Scraps—Local	107.00
Eastern	112.00
Molasses Dairy Feed	39.00
Shell Meal—Cal.	26.00
Oyster	36.00
Soya Bean Meal	54.00
Flour—Per bbl.	9.95

Rhode Island has 16 motor vehicles for every mile of road.

NOTICE

King County Ferry System

New rates on all King County Ferries will become effective March 1, 1921.

The present form of ticket will not be honored after February 28, 1921.

On and after February 21 all outstanding tickets will be redeemed until March 31 ONLY, at Room 221 County-City Building, Seattle, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 6 p. m.

J. L. ANDERSON,
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Automobile News

Mercer Cycle Company Plans Big Celebration

Motorcyclists in all parts of the country are planning on the celebration of Indian day, February 22. Annually since 1915 motorcyclists and their friends have chosen the birthday of the Father of Our Country as the opening day of the new riding season and have celebrated the event by gathering at the nearest Indian motorcycle dealers' place of business for a rouscing good time and get-together.

This year the Mercer Cycle company, Northwest Indian distributors, who have the largest and most completely equipped motorcycle store on the coast, have issued special invitations to all riders and their friends to join in the festivitites and see Seattle's first motorcycle show.

According to Manager Mercer, this day will be the biggest in the history of the new establishment. For one week, starting on Indian day, a rebuilt and used motorcycle sale will be featured with special inducements and a choice of a large stock of winter overhauled motorcycles of all makes.

In addition for Indian day, the special white show model of the Indian Scout that made such a sensation at the Eastern sh