RAINS ARE TIMELY

Showers Will Be Sufficient for All Crop Needs.

SEVERAL LATE FROSTS OCCUR

Fall Grains Do Well and Forage Shows Improvement--Hop Men Catch Up With Work--Fruit, Except Prunes, Thriving.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CLIMATE AND CROP SERVICE, Portland, Or., May 31.—The past week has not been altogether favorable for the growing crops; the days were warmer than usual, but the nights were cool and several frosts occurred, but the damage done by them was slight and confined principally to tender vegetables, such as beans, tomatoes, etc. Some fruit, however, was killed in the Grand Ronde Valley and a few other localities east of the Cascade Mountains. The rains early Tuesday morning occurred after the following reports were made. They were not only timely, but well distributed, and give promise of continuing for another day or so, in which case they will be sufficient for all needs and greatly stimulate the growth of late crops.

Late wheat is coming up to poor stands, and corn, potatoes and gardens are growing slowly. Forage crops, except timothy, are doing well, and the first crop of alfalfa is being harvested with satisfactory yields. Stock everywhere is in excellent condition. Fall wheat, barley and rye are heading nicely, and these crops are generally in a very promising condition, notwithstanding that some lowland wheat in Umatilla County was badly damaged by freezing weather earlier in the season. Hops are growing nicely and the hopmen have now caught up with their work, so that the yards generally are well cultivated.

Strawberries are ripe, and home-grown berries will be plentiful in the markets during the week. Apples have set well. Prunes will be light, but peaches, pears and cherries are turning out better than expected earlier in the season.

Coast District.

Svensen, Clatsop County, J. Y. Coffey.—Week warm; all crops growing nicely; late potatoes mostly all up; prospects good for a fine hay crop; oats and other grains look well; outside range good.

Nehalem, Tillamook County, E. K. Scovell.—Week dry and too cool for garden truck to do well; pastures and meadows making good growth, but they would do better with more rain; pears and plums mostly fell off in the bloom; indications favorable for apples.

Glen, Lincoln County, C. L. Knapp—Weather clear, with three quite heavy frosts, which may injure fruit and have undoubtedly killed some tender garden truck; pasturage fine; cattle fat; flow of milk heavy; hay and oats making rapid growth; sheep-shearing in progress, with a very light clip.

Willamette Valley.

Buxton, Washington County, C. Z. Mendenhall.—Week warm; grass good; stock looks well; prunes a failure; only half a crop of plums; apples will be a full crop; gardens doing well; Spring oats and wheat coming up nicely; rain would be welcome; ground drying too fast; early potatoes up; too cold for tomatoes.

Dayton, Yamhill County, John H. Moore.—Clear and warm; planting of minor crops completed; Winter oats heading; other grain doing well; clover promises a good crop; strawberries beginning to ripen; apples, from present indications, will be an average crop; peaches about half a crop; rain is badly needed.

Shaw, Marion County, J. G. Steinbrenner.—Rain badly needed; nights cool, with heavy frosts Tuesday and Wednesday mornings; fall grain looking well, although the stand is not so very heavy; Spring grain growing nicely; stock doing well; Italian prunes almost a total failure; petite prunes about one-fourth crop; pears very thin and scattering; cherries light; apples very promising.

Southern Oregon.

Camas Valley, Douglas County, J. G. Barnes.—Weather warmer, with some high winds; grain of all kinds looking fine; late-sown grain needs a little rain; gardens look well, although planted late; there is going to be a large fruit crop.

Table Rock, Jackson County, E. H. Davis.—Week favorable; cutting first crop of alfalfa begun; it promises to be a good crop; rain is needed to help the late-sown grain; cattle looking well.

Wilderville, Josephine County, J. C. K. McCann.—Week warm and clear; prospects fine for fruit of all kinds; hay crop better than usual; no harvesting except rye for hay; thinning fruit is progressing rapidly; average peach tree requires as many as 9000 young sets to be taken off before it is properly thinned.

Columbia River Valley.

Mosier, Wasco County, J. M. Carroll.—Weather warm; all crops doing nicely; cherries fell off badly; grain, pasturage and gardens good; lembing all done.

Wasco, Sherman County, W. C. Morehouse.—Volunteer and Fall wheat beginning to head; all crops growing rapidly.

Lexington, Morrow County, E. R. Beach.—Frost cut down many of the more advanced potatoes; since then weather warm and growth rapid; the prune crop will be almost nothing; so far as fruit has existed it is doing well; Summer fallowing about completed; grain will soon be matured, and an average crop is expected.

Athena, Umatilla County, L. A. Githens.—Fall wheat looking well; good growth and stand; Spring wheat good stand mostly, but needing rain; looking very well though; Wednesday night's frost damaged wheat and gardens to considerable extent in low localities; a few days of Summer fallowing yet to do, and ground now very hard and cloddy.

Plateau Region.

Cove, Union County, Jasper G. Stevens.—Days moderately warm; nights cool with some frost, but not severe enough to do damage; a full crop of cherries assured, and prospects good for other fruit excepting pears; all grain and grasses growing well; strawberries will not be ripe for several weeks yet.

Baker City, Baker County, W. C. McGuiness.—No damage from high wind and frost; the nights have been cool, but owing to high wind no severe frost occurred; pasturage good; wheat, potatoes, fruit and vegetables in good condition; much new ground being plowed and there will be hundreds of acres sown this year that heretofore were in sage brush.

Prineville, Crook County, D. F. Stewart.—Light frosts killed some early fruit, but there is enough left to make a good crop if no further frosts occur.

Lakeview, Lake County, W. E. Wheeler.—Dry northerly winds, but plenty of moisture so far; grass and grain looking fairly well; plenty of feed on range and stock commencing to pick up; fruit trees in full bloom and prospects good for average crop of fruit; sheep-shearing fairly under way.

Dairy, Klamath County, J. S. Shook.—Weather fair, with some high wind; cool nights, but no frost; fruit trees in full bloom; grain of all kinds doing well; hay never looked better; all vegetation growing rapidly; stock improving wonderfully.

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General Crop Report.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The weekly summary of crop conditions, issued by the Weather Bureau today, says:

With the exception of the Northern Rocky Mountain region and the Upper Missouri and Upper Mississippi Valleys, where the early part of the week was too cool, the temperature of the week ending May 30 was favorable in all districts, and especially to the eastward of the Mississippi River and in the west Gulf states. Oklahoma and portions of Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Ohio and Pennsylvania have suffered from excessive moisture, while drouth continues over a large part of the South Atlantic and east Gulf states. Well distributed and beneficial rains fell over the greater part of Texas and the central Rocky Mountain slope. Light frosts occurred in Wisconsin and heavy damaging frosts in Montana, Idaho and the eastern portions of Oregon and Washington. Continued northerly winds caused considerable damage to fruit and possibly injured grain in California. Rain is generally needed on the North Pacific Coast.

On the North Pacific Coast, Winter wheat has done well except in portions of Eastern Washington, where it has been injured somewhat by frosts. In California, the crop is maturing rapidly, but has probably sustained injury by drying winds. On the North Pacific Coast early Spring wheat is doing well, but rain is needed for the late-sown.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

The week has opened quietly after the holidays in the cereal markets, and all prices are about as quoted last week.

WHEAT—Walla Walla, 71@72c; bluestem, 80c; Valley, 81@82c; export values.

BARLEY—Feed, $25 per ton; rolled, $24.50 @25.

FLOUR—Valley, $3.90@4.05 per barrel; hard wheat straights, $4@4.20; clears, $3.85@4.10; hard wheat patents, $4.40@4.70; Dakota hard wheat, $5.25@6; graham, $3.50@4; whole wheat, $4@4.25; rye flour, local, $4.50; Eastern, $5@5.10.

OATS—No. 1, white, $1.25; gray, $1.20 per cental.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $19@20 per ton; middlings, $25.50@27; shorts, $20@21; chop, U. S. Mills, $18; linseed dairy feed, $18.

HAY—Timothy, $18@19 per ton; clover, $9@10; grain, $11@12; cheat, $11@12.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, $6.25; lower grades, $5.25@5.50; bales, cream, $3.40; other grades, $3; oatmeal, steel-cut, 50-pound sacks, $7.50 per barrel; 10-pound sacks, $4 per bale; oatmeal (ground), 50-pound sacks, $7 per barrel; 10-pound sacks, $3.75 per bale; split peas, $4.50 per 100-pound sack; 25-pound boxes, $1.25; pearl barley, $4 per 100 pounds; 25-pound boxes, $1.25 per box; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.50 per bale.

Vegetables, Fruit, Etc.

The last of the California berries of the season came up yesterday. Oregon berries were more plentiful than they have been any time yet. They sold all the way from $2.50 to $3 per crate. Lemons are firm on advances at San Francisco. A car of bananas, a car of onions and two cars of cabbage arrived.

ONIONS—New California, $1.25 per sack.

HONEY—$3@3.50 per case.

POTATOES—Fancy, 75c@$1 per cental, growers' price; new potatoes, 3½@4c per pound; sweets, 5c per pound.

RAISINS—Loose Muscatel, 4-crown, 7½c; 3-layer Muscatel raisins, 7½c; unbleached seedless Sultans, 6½c; London layers, 3-crown, whole boxes of 20 pounds, $1.85; 2-crown, $1.75.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, evaporated, 4½@6½c per pound; sundried, sacks or boxes, 4½c; apricots, 9@10c; peaches, 6½@7½c; pears, 9½@11c; prunes, Italian, 4½@7½c; French, 2½@5½c; figs, California blacks, 4c; do white, 7c; Smyrna, 20c; Fard dates, $1.50; pluma, pitted, 6c.

DOMESTIC FRUITS—Strawberries, California, $1.35 per crate; Oregon, $2.50@3 per per crate; cherries, 75c@$2 per box; gooseberries, 6c per pound; apples, fancy Baldwins and Spitzenberg, $1.50@2.50 per box; choice, $1@1.50; cooking, 75c@$1.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, fancy, $3.25 @3.50; choice, $2.75 per box; oranges, navels, $2.50@2.75; seedlings, $2 per box; St. Michaels, $1.25 per half box; tangerines, $1.25 per box; grape fruit, $2.50@3 per box; bananas, 5½@6c per pound; pineapples, $3.75@4 per dozen.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

The poultry market is weak and it begins to look like a slump unless buyers take hold better. Eggs continue steady. Butter is moving off fairly well.

BUTTER—City Creameries: Extra creamery, 20c per pound; fancy creamery, 20c; State creameries' fancy creamery, 17½@20c; store, 12½@13c.

BUTTER FAT—Sweet cream, 18½c; sour cream, 17c.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 17@17½c per dozen.

POULTRY—Chickens, mixed, 13@13½c per pound; Spring, small, 20@22½c; hens, 13½ @14c; turkeys, live, 16@17c per pound; dressed, 18@20c; ducks, $7@8 per dozen; geese, live, 7@8c per pound.

CHEESE—Full cream, twins, new stock, 12½@13c; old stock, 10c; Young America, 14c.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, $5.37½; No. 2, $4.62½; Carolina head, 6c; broken head, 4c.

COFFEE—Mocha, 26@28c; Java, ordinary, 16@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; Costa Rica, good, 16@18c; Costa Rica, ordinary, 10@12c per pound; Columbia roast, cases, 100s, $12.50; 50s, $12.75; Arbuckle, $12.87; Lion, $12.87.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $1.65 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.40; fancy, 1½-pound flats, $1.80; ½-pound flats, $1.10; Alaska pinks, 1-pound talls, $7½c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.20; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $1.75; 1-pound flats, $1.85.

SUGAR — Sack basis, 100 pounds; cube, $6.20; powdered, $5.90; dry granulated, $5.85; extra C, $5.35; golden C, $5.25; advance over sack basis as follows: Barrels, 10c; half-barrels, 25c; boxes, 50c per 100 pounds. (Terms: On remittance within 15 days, deduct ⅛c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c per pound; no discount after 30 days.) Beet sugar, granulated, $5.75 per 100 pounds; maple sugar, 15@16c per pound.

SALT—Bales, $1.30; fine, 50s, $9.75; 100s, 9.50; Liverpool, 50s, $17; 100s, $16.50; 224s, $15.50; half-ground, 100s, $5.20; 50s, $5.65.

NUTS—Walnuts, 15½c per pound, by sack, 1c extra; less than sack; Brazil nuts, 15c; filberts, 15c; pecans, jumbos, 15c; extra large, 14c; almonds, I. X. L., 14c; ne plus ultras, 15c; nonpareils, 13c; chestnuts, Italians, 15c; Ohio, $4.50 per 25-pound drum; peanuts, raw, 5c per pound; roasted, 9@10c; pinenuts, 10@12½c; hickory nuts, 7c; cocoanuts, $5@90c per dozen.

BEANS—Small white, 3¾c; large white, 5¼c; pink, 4c; bayou, 3½c; Lima, 4c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 15@15½c per pound; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 16 pounds, 15c; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 pounds, 16c; dry salted bulls and stags, one-third less than dry flint; salted hides, steers, sound, 60 pounds and over 8@8½c; 50 to 60 pounds, 7@8c; under 50 pounds and cows, 6½@7c; stags and bulls, sound, 4@4½c; kip, sound, 15 to 20 pounds, 7c; under 15 pounds, 8c; green (unsalted), 1c per pound less; calfskins, 1c per pounds each; horse hides, salted, each, $1.50@2; dry, each, $1@1.50; colts' hides, each, 25@50c; goat skins, common, each, 10@15c; Angora, with wool on, 25c@$1.

HOPS—1903 crop, 23@25½c per pound.

WOOL—Valley, 17@18½c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 11@14c; mohair, 30c per pound for choice.

TALLOW—Prime, per pound, 4@5c; No. 2 and grease, 2½@3c.

Meats and Provisions.

BEEF—Dressed, 5@8c per pound.

MUTTON — Dressed, 4@5c per pound; lambs, 9c.

VEAL—Dressed, 6@7c per pound.

PORK—Dressed, 6½@7c.

HAMS—Ten to 14 pounds, 12c per pound; 14 to 16 pounds, 12c; 18 to 20 pounds, 12c; California (picnic), 9c; cottage hams, 9½c; shoulders, 9½c; boiled ham, 20c; boiled picnic ham, boneless, 14c.

SAUSAGE—Portland ham, 15c per pound; minced ham, 10½c; Summer, choice dry, 17½c; bologna, long, 6½c; weinerwurst, 8c; liver, 5½c; pork, 10c; blood, 5½c; headcheese, 5½c; bologna sausage, link, 5½c.

DRY SALTED MEATS — Regular short clears, 8½@9½c smoked; clear backs, 8½c; salt, 9½c smoked; Oregon exports, 20 to 25 pounds, average, 10c; dry salt, 11c; smoked, Union butts, 10 to 12 pounds, average, 8c; dry salt, 9c smoked.

PICKLED GOODS—Pickled pigs' feet, ¼-barrels, $5; ¼-barrels, $2.75; 15-pound kit, $1.25; pickled tripe, ¼-barrels, $5; ¼-barrels, $2.75; 15-pound kit, $1.25; pickled pigs' tongue, ¼-barrels, $6; ¼-barrels, $3; 15-pound kit, $1.25; pickled lambs' tongues, ½-barrels, $8.25; ¼-barrels, $4.75; 15-pound kit, $2.25.

BACON—Fancy breakfast, 15c; standard breakfast, 14c; choice, 12½c; English breakfast bacon, 11 to 14 pounds, 11½c.

LARD—Kettle rendered; Tierces, 8¾c; tubs 9¼c; 50s, 9¾c; 20s, 9¼c; 10s, 9¾c; 5s, 9¾c. Standard pure: Tierces, 8¼c; tubs, 8¾c; 50s, 8¾c; 20s, 8½c; 10s, 8¾c; 5s, 9c. Compound: Tierces, 6¾c; tubs, 7c; 50s, 7c.

Oils.

Gasoline—Stove gasoline, cases, 24½c; iron barrels, 18c; 86 degrees gasoline, cases, 32c; iron barrels or drums, 20c.

LEAD—Pioneer, Collier and Atlantic white and red lead in ton lots, 7¾c; 500-pound lots, 8c; less than 500 pounds, 8¼c.

COAL OIL—Pearl or astral oil, cases, 23c per gallon; water white oil, iron barrels, 16½c; wood barrels, none; eocene oil, cases, 25½c; elaine oil, cases, 28½c; extra star, cases, 26½c; headlight oil, 175 degrees, cases, 23c; iron barrels, 18½c. (Washington State test burning oils, except headlight, ½c per gallon higher.)

BENZINE—Sixty-three degrees, cases, 22c; iron barrels, 15½c.

LINSEED OIL—Pure raw, in barrels, 52c; genuine kettle-boiled in barrels, 54c; pure raw oil in cases, 57c; genuine kettle-boiled, in cases, 59c; lots of 250 gallons, 1c less per gallon.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 85c per gallon.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Coffee futures closed quiet at net unchanged prices. Sales were reported of 14,500 bags, including June, 5.50c; July, 5.55c; August, 5.65c; September, 5.80@5.85c; December, 6.10c; January, 6.15c; March, 6.35@6.40c; spot Rio, steady; No. 7 invoice, 6¾c; mild, steady; Cordova, 12¾@16c.

Sugar—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3 7-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 15-16c; molasses sugar, 3 3-16c; refined, firm; No. 6, 4.55c; No. 7, 4.50c; No. 8, 4.45c; No. 9, 4.40c; No. 10, 4.35c; No. 11, 4.30; No. 12, 4.25; No. 13, 4.20; No. 14, 4.15c; confectioners' A, 4.80c; mold A, 5.30c; cut loaf, 5.95c; crushed, 5.65c; powdered, 5.00c; granulated, 4.90c; cubes, 5.20c.

DAY'S NEWS IS IGNORED

EVEN WHEN IT OFFERS MORE FAVORABLE FEATURES.

Previous Condition of Lethargy Continues in New York Stock Market--Money Is Easy.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Three days of leisure for the contemplation of stock market prospects did not result in any accession of speculative confidence so far as revealed by the meager dealings and the halting and narrow fluctuations today. The market showed no essential change from its recent lethargic character. The firm tone of the London market and the Saturday bank statement, which was called favorable by commentators, were worth a fractional rise this morning, which amounted to an average of about ⅝. Prices then slipped back to below last Friday's level. The nominal cause was the suspension of a firm on the cotton exchange, but, although the failure was announced as due to a defalcation with no bearing on the market of financial conditions, the market failed to recover its lost ground. News of the day was not important, but it offered some more favorable features than for some time past. The market ignored these. The weekly crop bulletin of the Weather Bureau was encouraging as regarding the Winter wheat crop, and was distinctly hopeful for the start of the Spring wheat crop. The cotton crop also was shown to have improved. The tenor of the weekly talks by traffic officials of the railroads was distinctly affected by the brighter hopes felt for the crops, which have had some effect in turning the downward slide of railroad traffic in evidence since the middle of April. The Erie statement was the important example today, with its decline in April not compared with last year of $293,373, or nearly 20 per cent. The stocks of the company suffered from this showing.

The Paris money market gave further sign of the satisfaction of its demand for gold, but the price of sterling exchange continued to advance and the possibility of a movement of gold to London direct was discussed. Money was easy in all departments of the money market as a result of the bank statement. There was a light covering movement by shorts late in the day, but the closing was easy.

A number of inactive bonds made wide declines from long preceding sales, and the general tone was heavy. Total sales, par value, $1,340,000. United States 2's registered declined ¼ and the 2's coupons advanced ¼ per cent on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison	4,900	69⅝	68⅝	68⅞
do preferred	200	92	92	92
Baltimore & Ohio	2,100	78⅝	77½	77⅞
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	90⅝
Canadian Pacific	400	117¼	117	117⅛
Central of N. J.	.....	.....	.....	156
Ches. & Ohio	800	30	29½	29⅞
Chicago & Alton	1,700	36½	35¼	35¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	80½
C. & Gt. West	200	14⅝	14½	14⅝
C. & N. W.	.....	.....	.....	169
C., M. & St. P.	3,000	140	139½	139½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	175½
C. Ter. & Trans.	.....	.....	.....	5½
do preferred	200	13⅝	13½	13½
C., C., C. & St. L.	.....	.....	.....	69
Colorado Southern	.....	.....	.....	14⅛
do 1st pref	400	50	50	50
do 2d pref	600	19⅝	19	19
Delaware & Hudson	200	153¼	153¼	153
Del., Lack. & W.	.....	.....	.....	396
D. & Rio Grande	200	19½	19½	19½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	68
Erie	9,900	23⅞	22⅞	23⅞
do 1st pref	7,100	57½	55⅝	56
do 2d pref	500	34	33	33½
Hocking Valley	.....	.....	.....	61
do preferred	500	78½	78½	77½
Illinois Central	400	129⅝	129½	129½
Iowa Central	.....	.....	.....	18½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	32
K. C. Southern	500	19¼	19	19¼
do preferred	200	38	37½	37
Louis. & Nash.	600	107⅝	107⅝	107¼
Manhattan L.	.....	.....	.....	148¼
Metro. Securities	200	78	77⅝	77
Metro. St. Ry.	1,000	110	109⅝	109⅝
M. & St. Louis	.....	.....	.....	40
M., S. P. & S. S. M.	.....	.....	.....	91⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	118
Missouri Pacific	1,500	90	89½	89½
Mo., Kan. & Tex.	200	15½	15½	15⅝
do preferred	200	33½	33⅝	33⅝
N. R. R. of M. pfd.	.....	.....	.....	85
N. Y. Central	300	114⅝	114½	114½
Norfolk & Western	400	55⅝	55⅝	55⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	80
Ontario & Western	4,600	22	21⅝	21⅝
Pennsylvania	4,700	113⅝	113¼	113⅝
P., C. C. & St. L.	100	66	66	65
Reading	4,900	43⅝	43¼	43⅝
do 1st pref	.....	.....	.....	78
do 2d pref	.....	.....	.....	62
Rock Island Co.	300	21¼	20⅝	20⅝
do preferred	800	64¼	63⅝	63⅝
St. L. & S. F. 2d pf	400	44⅝	44½	44
St. L. S. W.	800	11½	11	10
do preferred	700	28½	28½	27
Southern Pacific	2,600	46⅝	45⅝	45⅝
Southern Railway	100	20	20	20
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	83
Texas & Pacific	700	21	20¼	20¼
T., St. L. & W.	500	23¼	22½	22
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	37
Union Pacific	6,600	83⅝	82⅝	82⅝
do preferred	400	91⅝	91⅛	91
Wabash	200	15⅝	15½	15½
do preferred	700	33½	33½	33⅝
W. & Lake Erie	.....	.....	.....	15
Wisconsin Central	200	16⅝	16⅝	16¼
do preferred	400	38⅝	38	37½
Mexican Central	1,100	7½	7⅛	7⅛
Express Companies—				
Adams	.....	.....	.....	225
American	.....	.....	.....	175
United States	.....	.....	.....	100
Wells-Fargo	.....	.....	.....	200
Miscellaneous—				
Amal. Copper	13,700	51	49⅝	49⅝
Am. Car & Fndry.	300	16⅝	16½	16½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	69½
Am. Cotton Oil	.....	.....	.....	27
American Ice	.....	.....	.....	6⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	26½
Am. Linseed Oil	100	7⅛	7⅛	7
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	25
Am. Locomotive	.....	.....	.....	19
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	80
Am. Smlt. & Refg.	8,200	83½	82½	82½
do preferred	2,000	97⅛	96⅝	96⅝
Am. Sugar Refg.	700	128	125⅝	125½
Anaconda Min. Co.	.....	.....	.....	42
Brklyn. Rap. Trns.	6,800	47⅝	46⅝	46⅞
Colo. Fuel & Iron	.....	.....	.....	28⅝
Consolidated Gas	1,600	205⅝	204	204
Corn Products	1,100	11	10½	10⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	60½
Distillers Securities	.....	.....	.....	20½
General Electric	300	156	155⅝	155⅝
Internal. Paper	.....	.....	.....	16
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	62⅝
Internat. Pump	.....	.....	.....	38
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	76
National Lead	1,800	19⅝	19	19⅛
North American	200	81	81	81
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	25
People's Gas	300	95⅝	95	95
Pressed Steel Car	.....	.....	.....	24⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	82
Pullman Pal. Car	.....	.....	.....	210
Republic Steel	1,100	6⅝	6½	6⅝
do preferred	1,400	38	37⅝	38
Rubber Goods	.....	.....	.....	14½
do preferred	100	77½	77½	77½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	400	34½	33½	33½
U. S. Leather	500	6½	6½	6½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	79½
U. S. Realty	1,800	6⅝	6½	6⅝
do preferred	2,700	61	60½	60½
U. S. Rubber	100	16	16	15⅝
do preferred	300	66⅝	66⅝	66
U. S. Steel	200	9½	9	9
do preferred	900	54½	53½	53½
Westinghouse Elec.	400	155½	155	154½
Western Union	400	86½	86	85⅝

Total sales for the day, 135,700 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	104½	C. & N. W. C. 7s	127⅝
do coupon	105	D. & R. G. 4s	95½
U. S. 3s reg.	105⅝	Nor. Pacific 3s	72
do coupon	105⅝	do 4s	104⅝
U. S. new 4s reg.	132	So. Pacific 4s	95
do coupon	132	Union Pacific 4s	104⅝
U. S. old 4s reg.	105⅝	Wis. Central 4s	90
do coupon	106⅝		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, May 31.—Consols for money, 90 11-16; consols for account, 90⅝.

Anaconda	8⅝	Nor. & Western	76¼
Atchison	71	do preferred	89
do preferred	95	Ont. & Western	22½
Balt. & Ohio	90	Pennsylvania	58⅝
Can. Pacific	121	Rand Mines	10⅝
Ches. & Ohio	31½	Reading	22
C. Gt. Western	15	do 1st pref	39½
C., M. & St. P.	143⅝	do 2d pref	31
DeBeers	19⅝	So. Railway	20⅝
D. & R. G.	20½	do preferred	85
do preferred	69	So. Pacific	47
Erie	23⅝	Union Pacific	83⅝
do 1st pref	59	do preferred	94
do 2d pref	35½	U. S. Steel	9⅝
Illinois Central	133⅝	do preferred	55⅝
L. & N.	110	Wabash	16
M., K. & T.	18½	do preferred	34½
N. Y. Central	117⅝	Spanish 4s	84

Bank Clearings.

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$680,721	$101,229
Seattle	645,153	129,027
Tacoma	259,029	42,603
Spokane	373,504	39,944

Money Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Money—On call, easy, 1@1½ lower; closing bid and offered, 1½. Time loans, easy, 60 and 90 days, 2@3½ per cent; six months, 3@3½ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4½ per cent.

Sterling exchange, firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8725 for demand and $4.8535@4.8545 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4.86 and $4.88; commercial bills, $4.85½ @4.85¾.

Bar silver, 55c.

Mexican dollars, 44½c.

Bonds—Government, irregular; railroad, heavy.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.—Silver bars, 55c.

Drafts—Sight, 7½c; do telegraph, 10c.

Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.85⅝; sight, $4.87⅝.

LONDON, May 31.—Bar silver—Dull, 25⅝d per ounce.

Money—2⅝@3½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 1 15-16@2 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for three months bills is 1⅞@2 per cent.

The Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Today's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption shows:

Available cash balance	$163,144,759
Gold	68,307,506

BREAK IN MAY WHEAT.

Came Late and Did Not Seriously Affect Other Deliveries at Chicago.

CHICAGO, May 31.—The break in May wheat did not come until near the close of the day's trading. The market opened weak as a result of lower prices at Liverpool. July started ⅛@⅝c down at 85½@85⅝c. Sentiment soon changed, however. Figures connected with the weekly statistics of international trade were less bearish than they have been for some weeks past, and excessive rains had fallen in many sections of the Southwest. The bullish reports from the Southwest were partially substantiated by liberal purchases by St. Louis houses and by the strength in that market. The corn market here also showed decided strength. In consequence, an improved demand developed in the wheat pit. The weakness with which trading began was not only arrested, but was in a short time replaced by a fair degree of strength. On a good commission-house demand, July gradually advanced to 86⅛c. After the first hour the market experienced a long interval of dullness, transactions being largely of a scalping nature. The question as to the size of the outstanding short lines of May wheat had acted as a check on many traders, but as the session wore away without any sensational upturn in the price of that delivery the conviction that shorts had practically covered their lines gained ground. This resulted in large selling in future deliveries, causing a weak undertone. During the last half hour the feature of the trading was the wide fluctuations of May, in which month, however, trading was very light. From 96⅛c, the price suddenly dropped to 93½c. A quick rally to 98c followed. The close was at 97c. After selling off to 86¼c, July closed at 86⅝c.

An active demand from shorts, with comparatively light receipts, caused an extremely strong corn market. Advices from Eastern Kansas were bullish, the crop in that section being reported greatly injured by floods. The market closed strong. July opened at 40c, sold up to 48@48⅛c, and closed at 47⅞c.

Oats were quiet and influenced mainly by the action of other grains. After opening unchanged to ⅛c lower, at 38⅝@38½c, July closed at 38⅛@38⅝c.

Provisions were strong on an active commission-house demand. Big shipments of hog products for the past week were mainly responsible for the improved demand. July pork closed at a gain of 45@47½c. July lard was up 12½c, and ribs showed a gain of 17½c.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	$ .96⅛	$ .96⅛	$ .93½	$ .97
July, old	.86⅞	.87⅝	.86⅛	.86½
July, new	.85⅝	.86⅛	.85⅛	.85⅝
Sept., old	.81⅞	.82⅞	.82½	.82⅞
Sept., new	.80½	.81¼	.80⅝	.80½

CORN.

May	.47	.47⅝	.46⅞	.47
July	.47⅛	.48⅛	.46⅞	.47⅝
Sept.	.46⅞	.47½	.46⅝	.47⅛

OATS.

May	.41¼	.41¼	.40⅝	.40½
July	.38½	.38½	.38⅛	.38⅝
Sept.	.30⅝	.30⅝	.30⅝	.30⅝

MESS PORK.

July	11.27½	11.75	11.27½	11.75
Sept.	11.53	11.97½	11.55	11.95

LARD.

July	6.50	6.65	6.50	6.60
Sept.	6.67½	6.82½	6.65	6.77½

SHORT RIBS.

July	6.57½	6.75	6.55	6.75
Sept.	6.75	6.92½	6.65	6.92½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Quiet and steady.

Wheat—No. 2 Spring, 92@97c; No. 3, 85@96c; No. 2 red, $1.05@1.06.

Corn—No. 2, 48@48½c; No. 2 yellow, 49@49½c.

Oats—No. 2, 40½@40¾c; No. 3 white, 41@43c.

Rye—No. 2, 74@76c.

Barley—Good feeding, 38@41c; fair to choice malting, 43@55c.

Flax seed—No. 1, $1; No. 1 Northwestern, $1.06½.

Timothy seed—Prime, $3.

Mess pork—Per barrel, $11.60@11.65.

Lard—Per 100 pounds, $6.50@6.52½.

Short ribs sides—Loose, $6.50@6.75.

Short clear sides—Boxed, $6.50@6.75.

Clover—Contract grade, $10.75.

	Receipts.	Shipments
Flour, barrels	16,100	31,100
Wheat, bushels	40,000	40,300
Corn, bushels	554,600	209,600
Oats, bushels	213,200	87,900
Rye, bushels	6,000	1,500
Barley, bushels	44,700	5,500

Grain and Produce at New York.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Flour—Receipts, 33,900 barrels; exports, 14,300 barrels. Barley, steady; Minnesota patents, $5.10@5.35; Minnesota bakers', $4@4.20; Winter patents, $5.10@5.40; Winter straights, $4.90@5.10; Winter extras, $3.35@4.

Wheat—Receipts, 167,000 bushels; spot, easy; No. 2 red, nominal elevator; No. 2 red, $1.12 nominal f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth,