MEDFORD COTS FINE

Far Superior to the Best California Fruit.

FIRST OF THE SEASON

Good Crop Promised in Eastern Washington — Watermelons and Cantaloupes Moving Well. Lemons Are Higher.

The first Oregon apricots of the season have reached the local market. They come from Medford and in quality are far superior to any that have ever been shipped here from California. In fact, the apricots of Oregon and Washington are always better than the California fruit. The Medford apricots sold at $1.50@1.75 per crate. The Southern Oregon crop is a fairly large one and shipments to the Portland market from now on will be regular. The Eastern Washington apricot crop will be of nearly the normal size and will be coming on soon. There will be no more California apricots in the local market this season.

Two cars of watermelons arrived last night. The first melon arrivals have cleaned up well and the market holds steady at 2@2¼ cents. A car of cantaloupes was received and they sold at the former price.

Yesterday was a lively day in the berry trade. Loganberries and raspberries were very plentiful and all cleaned up, the former at $1.25 and the latter at $1.25@1.40 per crate. Blackcaps sold at $2 and strawberries at $2@2.25.

Cherries were firm at 10 cents for Bings and 4@6 cents for Royal Annes. A few small lots of cracked cherries came in, but the damage by the late rain was evidently not serious.

Lemons were quoted up to $7 on triple X, while choice were held at $5@6.50. There was a fair supply of peaches, plums and prunes, but they did not attract much interest.

Other receipts included three cars of bananas, two of onions and one of Stockton potatoes.

MOVEMENT OF CALIFORNIA FRUIT.

Cherry Shipping Season at End.

The California Fruit Distributors report the weekly movement of California deciduous fruits as follows:

Cherries, 20 cars—The cherry shipment is now practically over and they probably will not be quoted after this week. The total shipments to date are 298 cars, which is the last 7 cars short of the heaviest shipments made since the organization of the California Fruit Distributors in 1902, when the shipments reached 305 cars.

Plums and prunes, 200 cars—As outlined in our last letter shipment of this variety has been steady. Abundance, Burbank, Climax and Tragedy prunes from the earlier sections are now practically gone. There are some of these varieties from the later sections that will continue in fair supply during the next week or ten days. Wickson, Peach Plum, Purple Duane, Washington and Yellow Egg are now going forward. The Diamond, Giant and Grand Duke plums are beginning to show color and will be ready in limited quantities next week.

Peaches, 57 cars—Hales are now practically finished. St. Johns are in more liberal receipt and will be available in considerable quantity this week. Early Crawfords from the earliest sections will probably appear in limited quantities toward the end of the week. The peach season will be fairly started next week.

Pears, 73 cars—Bartlett pears are now moving in considerable volume. Shipments will increase from day to day until the height of the season is reached in about two weeks. Fruit is very satisfactory in every respect, being of good size and free from all defects.

Grapes—Grapes continue in very light supply and this will be the case until after the middle of the month, when shipments will increase until Malagas and Thompson Seedless from Fresno will bring the movement up to normal.

SNAKE RIVER FRUIT CROPS.

Big Yield in Southern Whitman County.

COLFAX, July 8.—(Special.)—The large fruit crop along the Snake River from Almota to Lewiston, in Southern Whitman County, is beginning to move at a rapid rate. One of the largest orchards in this district belongs to White Bros., who a few years ago owned a small commission house in Lewiston. Besides other valuable lands their orchards cover 250 acres along the river the total orchard acreage is 840 acres, valued at from $200 to $500 an acre.

Notwithstanding the severe Winter, when the temperature reached 4 below zero, 125,000 boxes of peaches are expected from the year's crop of the total acreage; also 15,000 boxes of pears and 25,000 boxes of prunes and plums. Grapes will be a good average crop. White Bros. alone expect 60,000 boxes of peaches and 7000 boxes of pears. The peach crop at Wawawi is a full one, the trees having been thinned fully one-half.

A great number of the orchards are irrigated from springs and creeks, giving a sufficient supply of water. The Wawawi orchards are being supplied with five miles of eight-inch wooden pipe, carrying the water from several creeks and springs.

EXPORTERS NOT BUYING WHEAT.

Market for the New Crop Has Not Opened Yet.

Business is almost at a standstill in the grain market, so far as regards spot business. There is nothing doing in new crop wheat on the part of exporters and little by other dealers. New crop oats are offered at $29 with $28.50 bid. There have been some sales of new barley at $27.

Hay is coming in in very small quantities, indicating that stocks of old hay are now practically exhausted. Dealers believe that with favorable weather now, no serious damage to the new crop will result from the recent rains.

Local receipts, in cars, were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows:

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
July 3-4-5	3	2	14	..	10
July 6	4	..	3	4	2
July 7	2	..	4	1	1
Total last week	8	3	44	9	38

HIGHER CHEESE PRICES EXPECTED.

Orders From the North Reduce the Local Supply.

The filling of orders for cheese received from Seattle and other Northern points yesterday nearly exhausted stocks on Front street. The result was a very firm market and it is likely that prices will advance by Monday at least.

The butter market was firm at 28 cents for the best city creamery.

The strong demand for eggs continues and the local supply is insufficient. Some fresh Eastern stock has been ordered because of the shortage. Candled ranch eggs were quoted on Front street at 27 cents.

There was a good inquiry for poultry and hens and Spring chickens sold at an advance of half a cent.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,194,828	$134,518
Seattle	1,876,853	198,336
Tacoma	1,089,125	108,628
Spokane	1,442,134	108,731

No Transactions in Hop Market.

With the improvement in hop crop prospects in this state the interest of speculative buyers in contracts has subsided to a considerable degree. The addition of 10,000 or 12,000 bales to the Oregon crop, however, has taken none of the real strength from the market and in a few days it is likely the speculators will be as keen after the new crop as they were before the rain. No business in spot goods was reported yesterday.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem nominal; club, $1.17; Valley, $1.17.

CORN—Whole, $35 per ton; cracked, $36 per ton.

FLOUR—Patents, $6.25 per barrel; straights, $5.30; exports, $4.70; Valley, $5.50; graham, $5.60; whole wheat, quarters, $5.80.

BARLEY—New California, $32@32.50 per ton.

OATS—No. 1, white, $40@42 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26.50 per ton; middlings, $33; shorts, $29@32; chop, $24@30; rolled barley, $34@35.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $17@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $20@23; mixed, $16@20.

GRAIN BAGS—5¾c each.

Vegetables and Fruits.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, new California, $2@2.50 per box; strawberries, $2@2.25 per crate; cherries, 4@10c per pound; gooseberries, 4@5c per pound; peaches, 85@90c per box; apricots, $1.50@1.75 per box; cantaloupes, $1.75@2.25 per crate; currants, 8c per pound; plums, $1.25@1.50 per box; loganberries, $1.25 per crate; raspberries, $1.25@1.40 per crate; black caps, $2 per crate; watermelons, 2@2¼c per pound.

POTATOES—Jobbing price, $1@1.75 per hundred; new, 2¼@2½c per pound.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.25@1.50 per sack; carrots, $1.50@1.75.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $1.85@3.25 per box; lemons, fancy, $6.50@7; choice, $5@6; grape fruit, $3.50@4 per box; bananas, 5@5½c per pound; pineapples, $2@4 per dozen.

ONIONS—New, $1.25@1.50 per sack.

VEGETABLES—Beans, 7c; cabbage, 1½@1¾c per pound; cauliflower, $1.25 per dozen; corn, 25@40c per dozen; cucumbers, 25@75c per dozen; eggplant, 12½@15c per pound; lettuce, hothouse, $1 per box; lettuce, head, 25c per dozen; onions, 12½@15c per dozen; parsley, 35c per dozen; peas, 5@7c per pound; peppers, 8@10c per pound; radishes, 15c per dozen; spinach, 5c per pound; squash, 7@8c; tomatoes, $1@1.50 per crate.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—City creamery, extras, 28c; fancy outside creamery, 26½@27½c per lb.; store, 18c. (Butter fat prices average 1¼c per pound under regular butter prices.)

EGGS—Oregon ranch, candled, 27c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 13@13½c; Springs, 18@18½c; roosters, 8@9c; ducks, young, 12@13c; geese, young, 9@10c; turkeys, 18c; squabs, $2@2.25 per dozen.

CHEESE—Full cream twins, 16@16½c per pound; young Americas, 17@17½c.

PORK—Fancy, 10c per pound.

VEAL—Extras, 8@8½c per pound; ordinary, 7c; heavy, 6c.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 9¾c per lb.; peaches, 7¼@8c; prunes, Italians, 5¼@6¼c; prunes, French, 4@6c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white fancy, 50-lb. boxes, 6¼c; dates, 7¼@7½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-lb., talls, $2 per dozen; 2-lb. talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10½; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 90c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12¾@16c per lb.

NUTS—Walnuts, 12@13c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 13c; pecan nuts, 7c; almonds, 13@14c; chestnuts, Italian, 11c; peanuts, raw, 5¾c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; coconuts, 90c per dozen.

SUGAR—Granulated, $5.95; extra C, $5.50; golden C, $5.40; fruit and berry sugar, 36; Honolulu plantation, fine grain, $5.95; cubes (barrel), $5.40; powdered (barrel), $5.35. Terms, on remittances within 15 days, deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $13 per ton, $1.00 per bale; half ground, 100s, $7.50 per ton; 50s, $8 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 8c; large white, 6¼c; Lima, 5¾c; bayou, 6½c; red kidney, 4½c; pink, 4¼c.

Provisions.

BACON—Fancy, 25c per pound; standard, 23½c; choice, 19½c; English, 18@19c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 14c; smoked, 16c; short clear blacks, heavy dry salted, 15c; short clear backs, heavy dry salted, 14c; smoked, 15c; Oregon exports dry salted, 15c; smoked, 16c.

HAMS—8 to 10 lbs., 17c; 14 to 16 lbs., 17c; 18 to 20 lbs., 17c; hams, skinned, 17c; picnics, 12c; cottage roll, 13c; boiled hams, 23½@24½c; boiled picnics, 29c.

LARD—Kettle rendered, 10s, 16½c; 5s, 16¾c; standard prime: 10s, 15½c; 5s, 15¾c; choice, 10s, 14½c; 5s, 14¾c. Compound, 10s, 9¾c; 5s, 9¾c.

SMOKED BEEF—Beef tongues, each, 60c; dried beef sets, 19c; dried beef outsides, 17c; dried beef insides, 21c; dried beef knuckles, 20c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels,: Pigs' feet, $13; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; pigs' tongues, $19.50.

HALF BARRELED MEATS—Mess beef, $12 per barrel; plate, $14 per barrel; family, $14 per barrel; mess pork, $20 per barrel; brisket $22 per barrel.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1909 contracts, 16c per pound; 1908 crop, 11@12c; 1907 crop, 7c; 1906 crop, 4c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound; Valley, 23@25c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 24@25c per pound.

HIDES AND SKINS—Green hides, 16@17c per pound; dry kip, 15@16c pound; dry calfskin, 18@19c pound; salted hides, 9½@10c; salted calfskin, 14@15c pound; green, 1c less.

FURS—No. 1 skins: Angora goat, $1 to $1.25; badger, 25@50c; bear, $6@20; beaver, $6.50@8.50; cat, wild, 75c@1.50; cougar, perfect head and claws, $3@10; fisher, dark, $7.50@11; pale, $4.90@7; fox, cross, $3 to $7; fox, gray, 60@80c; fox, red, $3@5; fox, silver, $35 to $100; lynx, $8@15; marten, dark, $8@12; mink, $3.50@5.50; muskrat, 15@25c; otter, $2.50@4; raccoon, 60@75c; sea otter, $100@250, as to size and color; skunks, 55@80c; civet, cat, 10@15c; wolf, $2@3; coyote, 75c@$1.25; wolverine, dark, $5@8; wolverine, pale, $2@2.50.

CASCARA BARK—Per pound, 4½@5½c.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKETS.

Prices Current Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

There is a strong demand for good cattle, but most of the arrivals now are of off grade and this has a tendency to weaken what would otherwise be a good market. The same applies to the sheep trade. Hogs continue in strong demand and light supply. Receipts for the day were 394 cattle, 51 sheep and 50 hogs.

Late sales at the yards included 28 cows, average weight 868 pounds, $3.30; 1 cow, 1150 pounds, $3.25; 23 steers, average weight 1141 pounds, $4.40; 6 cows, average weight 991 pounds, $3.25; 20 steers, average weight 1141 pounds, $4.40.

Local prices quoted yesterday were as follows:

CATTLE—Steers, top, $4.50; fair to good, $4@4.25; common, $3.75@4.00; cows, top, $3.50; fair to good, $3@3.25; common to medium, $2.50@2.75; calves, top, $5@5.50; heavy, $3.50@4; bulls and stags, $2.75@3.25; common, $2@2.50.

HOGS—Best, $8.25@8.35; fair to good, $7.75@8; stockers, $6@6.50; China fats, $6.75@7.00.

SHEEP—Top wethers, $4; fair to good, $3.50@3.75; ewes, ½c less on all grades; yearlings, best, $4.15; fair to good $3.75@4; Spring lambs, $4.75@5.25.

Eastern Livestock Prices.

CHICAGO, July 8.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 10,000 head; market steady; beeves, $4.80@7.40; Texas steers, $5.80@8.00; Western steers, $4.75@6.15; stockers and feeders, $3.40@5.10; cows and heifers, $2.50@6.15; calves, $5.00@7.75.

Hogs—Receipts estimated at 50,000 head; market 10@15c lower; light, $7.10@7.75; mixed, $7.30@7.95; heavy, $7.35@8.00; rough, $7.35@7.55; good to choice heavy, $7.55@8.00; pigs, $6.20@7.10; bulk of sales, $7.60@7.85.

Sheep—Receipts estimated at 16,000 head; market weak; native, $2.75@4.90; Western, $2.75@4.80; yearlings, $4.50@6.00; lambs, native, $4.75@8.50; Western, $5.00@8.50.

KANSAS CITY, July 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 4000 head; market steady; native steers, $4.50@7.00; native cows and heifers, $2.75@7.45; stockers and feeders, $3.50@5.50; bulls, $3.00@4.75; calves, $4.00@7.00; Western cows, $3.00@4.75.

Hogs—Receipts, 4000 head; market 10c to 15c lower; bulk of sales, $7.50@7.80; heavy, $7.80@7.95; packers and butchers, $7.60@7.85; light, $7.40@7.70; pigs, $6.00@7.25.

Sheep—Receipts, 4000 head; market steady; muttons, $4.00@5.25; lambs, $7.00@8.00; range wethers, $3.75@4.40; range ewes, $3.25@4.25.

SOUTH OMAHA, July 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 2700 head; market strong to 10c higher; Western steers, $3.50@6.00; Texas steers, $3.00@5.40; cows and heifers, $2.85@5.25; canners, $2.25@3.50; stockers and feeders, $3.00@5.50; calves, $3.00@6.75; bulls and stags, $3.00@5.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 13,700 head; market 5c to 10c lower; closing strong; heavy, $7.60@7.75; mixed, $7.55@7.60; light, $7.40@7.65; pigs, $6.00@7.00; bulk of sales, $7.50@7.60.

Sheep—Receipts 1600 head; market steady; yearlings, $4.50@5.00; wethers, $4.00@4.50; ewes, $3.50@4.15; lambs, $4.50@8.00.

MAKE NO RESPONSE

Stocks Not Affected by Government Crop Report.

MEANS MUCH FOR CARRIERS

But Prices Work Downward—Expansion in the Iron and Steel Industry—Bonds Are Irregular.

NEW YORK, July 8.—The lethargy of the speculation was strikingly demonstrated by the sluggish response today to the highly important Government report of July conditions of the cereal crops. Evidently this was partly due to the plain predictions of the favorable character of the report which came for several days from official state reports and from trustworthy private estimates. This gave opportunity for speculation to anticipate the Government.

From the action both of the stock and cereal markets after the appearance of the report, it appeared that this preliminary action had been overdone and the realizing movement forced prices in a direction contrary to the signification of the crop figures as a consequence. Thus it happened that stock prices declined and those of grain advanced on a prediction that promised a cereal crop exceeding in value any produced before.

The promised yield of corn, rising to 3,161,174,000 bushels, reaches above the 3,000,000,000-bushel mark for the first time in the country's history. This gives assurance of an enormous tonnage to be moved by the railroads and in that way is of primary importance to holders of railroad securities. The oats crop also, with an indicated yield of 962,935,000 bushels, will be the country's largest record of the crop. The condition of wheat, while promising a crop considerably below the bumper crop, shows the Winter wheat sb far improved as to have made up in large part the earlier deficiency and to have brought the condition well above the 10-year average. The indicated total wheat crop of 663,500,000 bushels, estimated on the basis of the high prices reached today for cash wheat of the new harvest, promises so profitable a return to the country's agricultural interests as to afford a substantial guarantee for the country's future prosperity, founded as that is on the welfare of the farming classes as a starting point.

The great expansion in the production of iron and steel and their products and the healthy state of that industry, indicated by the firm prices maintained with this enlarged output, were an impressive exhibit of the prosperous progress of the country's great basic industry.

A deterrent influence on the market was the attention given to the direction taken by Government measures against "the holding company." This is a financial device upon which much of the efficacy of great corporations is dependent. The fact that at Washington the Senate wiped out of the tariff bill the exemption accorded to holding companies from the corporation earning tax, while at Louisville the Attorney-General in the Cabinet formulated a proposed measure which would, in his own language, go far toward their destruction, was taken rather ominously by financial observers.

Prices closed at the lowest and on a descending scale.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $6,520,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis Chalmers pf	.....	.....	.....	51¾
Amal Copper ...	15,0000	81¾	81	81
Am Agricultural	.....	.....	.....	44¾
Am Beet Sugar	900	43½	43½	43½
Am Can pf	400	82	81½	81½
Am Car & Foun.	1,100	57½	57¼	57¼
Am Cotton Oil	1,200	74	73	73
Am Ctd & Lt pf	.....	.....	.....	41
Am Ice Sec	2,400	38¾	36½	36½
Am Linseed Oil	.....	.....	.....	16½
Am Locomotive	400	69¾	69½	69
Am Smelt & Ref.	32,800	95¾	93½	95½
do preferred	800	112¼	112	111½
Am Sugar Ref	.....	.....	.....	126½
Am Tel & Tel	1,700	140¾	140½	140¼
Am Tobacco pf	100	100¾	100¾	100¾
Am Woolen	200	34½	34	34
Anaconda Min Co.	2,200	48	47½	47
Atchison	23,200	117½	116¾	116¾
do preferred	600	104¾	104¾	104¾
Atl Coast Line	800	128½	128	128½
Balt & Ohio	5,500	118¾	118¼	118¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	94½
Bethlehem Steel	300	30½	30½	29
Brook Rap Tran.	2,900	78¾	78¼	78¼
Canadian Pacific	1,500	183¾	183	182¾
Central Leather	300	31¾	31¼	31¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	104¼
Central of N J	.....	.....	.....	295
Ches & Ohio	20,800	78¾	78¼	78¼
Chicago & Alton	700	69¾	68½	68½
Chicago Gt West	700	1¾	1¾	1¾
Chicago & N W	1,400	184½	183	184
C, M & St Paul	5,800	154¾	154½	154
C, C, C & St L	.....	.....	.....	73
Colo Fuel & Iron	1,300	44¾	43¾	43¾
Colo & Southern	300	57	56¾	56¾
do 1st preferred	.....	.....	.....	82
do 2d preferred	.....	.....	.....	80¼
Consolidated Gas	200	140¾	140¾	139½
Corn Products	600	23¼	23	23
Del & Hudson	.....	.....	.....	193¼
D & R G	1,0000	47½	47½	47
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	87
Distillers' Securi	.....	.....	.....	39
Erie	4,800	36¾	36	35¾
do 1st preferred	700	53¾	53½	53½
do 2d preferred	.....	.....	.....	42½
General Electric	.....	.....	.....	163
Gt Northern pf	7,500	152½	151¼	151¼
Gt Northern Ore	2,800	77½	76½	76½
Illinois Central	2,900	150½	149¾	150
Interborough Met.	6,0000	16½	16	16
do preferred	10,200	61	50	50
Inter Harvester	500	85	85	84¾
Inter Marine pf	700	23	22¾	22¾
Int Paper	200	16¼	16¼	15¾
Int Pump	1,200	40¼	40	39¾
Iowa Central	200	29¾	29¾	29½
K C Southern	1,200	46¼	45	45¼
do preferred	100	71½	71½	71
Louis & Nashville	2,100	141¼	140¼	140¼
Minn & St L	.....	.....	.....	55
M, St P & S S M	1,300	144¼	143¼	143¾
Missouri Pacific	.....	.....	.....	73¼
Mo, Kan & Texas	1,600	42¾	41¾	41¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	73¼
National Biscuit	.....	.....	.....	105¼
National Lead	900	86½	86	86
Mex Nat Ry 1st pf	600	55	54½	54½
N Y Central	2,000	132¼	131¾	131¾
N Y, Ont & West	400	52½	52½	52½
Norfolk & West	.....	.....	.....	85½
North American	1,0000	82¼	82¼	82¼
Northern Pacific	6,700	152½	151¾	151¾
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	30¾
Pennsylvania	2,800	137	136¾	136¾
People's Gas	200	114¾	114¾	114¼
P, C C & St L	.....	.....	.....	92½
Pressed Steel Car	400	44¾	44¼	43¾
Pullman Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	190
Ry Steel Spring	.....	.....	.....	43¾
Reading	58,500	156½	155¾	155¾
Republic Steel	400	31½	31¼	31¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	104¾
Rock Island Co	22,700	34¾	33½	33¾
do preferred	4,500	72¾	71¾	71¾
St L & S F 2 pf	1,500	48	46¾	47½
St L Southwestern	.....	.....	.....	27¼
do preferred	100	66¾	66¾	66¾
Sloss-Sheffield	300	63½	63½	63
Southern Pacific	5,800	135¾	133¾	133¾
do preferred	1,200	135¼	134	133½
Southern Railway	4,000	31¾	30½	31¼
do preferred	300	69	69	69¼
Tenn Copper	200	31½	31½	31½
Texas & Pacific	1,400	34½	33¾	33½
Tol, St L & West	100	49¾	49	49¼
do preferred	800	69¾	69	69
Union Pacific	53,000	195	193¾	193¾
do preferred	18,000	105½	104½	104½
U S Realty	.....	.....	.....	81
U S Rubber	100	38	38	38¼
U S Steel	51,600	69¼	68¼	68¼
do preferred	2,400	125¾	125	125
Utah Copper	700	49	48	48
Va-Caro Chemical	11,000	55¾	54¾	55
Wabash	1,000	21½	21	20¾
do preferred	2,900	55¼	54	54¾
Western Md	5,200	11	9¼	9
Westinghouse Elec	400	85¾	85¼	85
Western Union	.....	.....	.....	71½
Wheel & L Erie	600	9	9	9
Wisconsin Central	.....	.....	.....	55

Total sales for the day, 480,400 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, July 8.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	101	N. Y. C. gen 3½s	92¾
do coupon	101¼	North. Pac. 3s	73¾
U. S. 3s reg.	101¼	do 4s	102¾
do coupon	101¼	Union Pac. 4s	104½
U. S. new 4s reg.	118	Wis. Cent. 4s	95¾
do coupon	120	Jap. 4s	87
D. & R. G 4s	87½		

Stocks in London.

LONDON, July 8.—Consols for money, 84¾d; do for account, 84 11-16d.

Amal. Copper	81¾	M., K. & T.	43¾
Anaconda	9¾	N. Y. Central	136
Atchison	120	Nor. West	92
do pfd	107¼	do pfd	90
Balt. & Ohio	120¾	Ont. & West	53¾
Canadian Pac.	187¼	Pennsylvania	70
Ches. & Ohio	79¾	Rand Mines	10
Chi. Gt. West	2¼	Reading	80
C., M. & St. P.	158¾	South. Ry.	31½
De Beers	14½	do pfd	71
D. & R. G.	49½	South. Pacific	138¼
do pfd	87½	Union Pacific	190
Erie	37¾	do pfd	107½
do 1st pfd	55	U. S. Steel	70
do 2d pfd	43	do pfd	128¼
Grand Trunk	23½	Wabash	22
Illinois Cent.	153	do pfd	57
Louis. & Nash.	144¼	Spanish 4s	97½

Money Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, July 8.—Money on call, easy at 1½@1¾ per cent; ruling rate, 1¾ per cent; closing bid and offered at 1¼ per cent. Time loans, steady to strong; 60-day bills, 2 per cent; 90 days, 2½@2¾ per cent; six months, 3¼@3½ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange, steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8639@4.8655 for 60-day bills and at $4.8775 for demand.

Commercial bills, $4.86@4.86⅛.

Silver bars, 50⅞c.

Mexican dollars, 44c.

Bonds—Government, steady; railroad, irregular.

LONDON, July 8.—Bar silver, steady at 23 7-16d per ounce.

Money, 3@4 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 1¼@1 5-16 per cent; for three months' bills, 1¼@1⅜ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 8.—Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.86¾; sight, $4.88.

Silver bars, 50⅞c.

Mexican dollars, 46c.

Drafts—Sight, par; telegraph, 2½c.

BUTTER UP ONE CENT

SEATTLE MARKET ADVANCES TO 30 CENTS.

Poor Cantaloupes Worked Off and Prices Advance Half a Dollar. Berries Weak.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 8.—(Special.)—Cantaloupes will be 50 cents a crate higher all around tomorrow. The price that will be quite generally quoted tomorrow will be $2.25 to $2.50. The stock of poor cantaloupes that has been offering here for some time is now well cleaned up. Cherries were very scarce today. Royal Anns sold as high as $1.50, and Bings at $1 to $1.25. Strawberries were decidedly weak, following a firm market yesterday. Dealers cut prices sharply late this afternoon, offering common berries as low as $1.50.

The first Eastern Washington apricots of the season reached Seattle today from Wenatchee. They were sold at $1.75. Raspberries were in much heavier supply. Tomatoes were higher at $1.50.

Following an advance of 1 cent all around on butter this morning, the market here was steady to firm on Washington creamery stock at 30 cents.

Eggs were firm all day at 32 cents, with large orders for fresh local ranch eggs unfilled tonight. Cheese was steady and unchanged. Higher prices would not surprise the trade.

Wheat was a trifle higher locally today at $1.03 for bluestem and 99 cents for club, red and fife. Although the Mexican government will hold the reduced duty on wheat at one kilo September 15 exporters look for little business to develop until after that date. The Mexican crop has been harvested and will be disposed of before much Washington grain can be shipped.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 8.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Millstuffs—Bran, $28.50@30; middlings, $33@35.

Vegetables—Hothouse cucumbers, 25@75c; garlic, 3½@5c; green peas, 2½@3c; string beans, 3@6c; tomatoes, 35c@$1.75; eggplant, 6@8c; asparagus, 75c@$1.30; onions, 35@40c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 26½c; creamery seconds, 26c; fancy dairy, 25c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $4@5; young, $7.50@10; broilers, small, $2.25@3; broilers, large, $5@6.50; fryers, $6@7; hens, $4@9; ducks, old, $6@5.50, young, $6@7.

Eggs—Store, 26½c; fancy ranch, 28½c.

Cheese—New, 12½@13½c; young Americas, 13½@15½c.

Wool—South Plains and San Joaquin, 12@17c; Mountain, 6@12c; Nevada, 18@20c.

Hay—Wheat, $12@18; wheat and oats, $12@17; alfalfa, $10@14; stock, $7@10; barley, $10@14; straw, per bale, 50@75c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1.50; common, 30c; bananas, 75c@$3.00; limes, $5.50@6; lemons, $2@3.50; navels, $2; oranges, $2@3; pineapples, 1.50@2.50.

Hops—Contracts, 15c; 1908, 13c.

Receipts—Flour, 4622 quarter sacks; wheat, 375 centals; barley, 6025 centals; oats, 1590 centals; 925 sacks corn, 600 centals; potatoes, 6510 sacks; bran, 20 sacks; hay, 768 tons; wool, 198 bales; hides, 950.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, July 8.—A little jobbing business is reported in evaporated apples; fancy, 7¾@8½c; choice, 8@8¼c; prime, 7@7½c; common to fair, 5@6½c.

Spot prunes unchanged; California, 2½@11½c; Oregon, 6@9c.

Apricots easier in tone, as there seems to be more fruit offering for early shipment; choice, 10@10½c; extra choice, 10½@10¾c; fancy, 11@13c.

Peaches are attracting little attention; choice, 5¼@6c; extra choice, 6¼@6¾c; fancy, 7@8½c.

Raisins dull; loose muscatel, 3½@4½c; choice to fancy seeded, 4¾@6c; seedless, 3¾@5½c; London layers, $1.15@1.20.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, July 8.—The London tin market was lower today, with spot quoted at £150 17s 6d and futures at £152 7s 6d. The local market was easy at 28.75@28.95c.

Copper declined to £58 1s 3d for spot and to £58 17s 6d for futures in London. Locally the market was weak, with Lake quoted at 13.25@13.50c; electrolytic at 12.75@13.00c; casting, 12.62½@12.87½c.

Lead was lower at £12 12s 9d in London and easy at 4.35@4.45c locally.

Spelter was unchanged at £21 17s 6d in London. The local market was dull at 5.35@5.40c.

The English iron market was lower, with Cleveland warrants quoted at 47s 10½d. The local market was higher; No. 1 foundry Northern, $17@17.25; No. 2 do, $16.50@16.75; No. 1 Southern and I do soft, $16.50

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, July 8.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	6¾	Mohawk	64
Allouez	41¼	Nevada	23½
Amalgamated	81	Old Dominion	52¾
Ariz. Coml.	38¾	Osceola	132
Atlantic	9	Parrot	30
Butte Coalition	24½	Quincy	87
Cal. & Ariz.	103½	Shannon	15
Cal. & Hecla	645	Tamarack	70
Centennial	30	Trinity	11
Copper Range	80½	United Copper	9¾
Daly West	8	U. S. Mining	48¾
Franklin	17¾	U. S. Oil	31¾
Granby	96	Utah	42
Greene Cananea	9¾	Victoria	4
Isle Royale	24½	Winona	5
Mass. Mining	8	Wolverine	148
Michigan	10	North Butte	52½

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, July 8.—Coffee futures closed steady, net unchanged to 5 points higher. Sales 28,250 bags. July, 7.00@7.05c; September, 5.40@5.75c; December, 5.50c; March, 5.55c; May, 5.60c. Spot coffee steady; No. 7 Rio, 7¾@7¾c; No. 4 Santos, 9c. Mild quiet; corn, 9¾@9½c.

Sugar—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3.42@3.45c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.92@3.85c; molasses sugar, 3.17@3.20c; refined, steady; crushed, 5.55c; powdered, 4.95c; granulated, 4.85c.

London Wool Sales.

LONDON, July 8.—At the wool auction sales the offerings today, principally crossbreds, amounted to 9298 bales. A brisk demand developed and prices ruled firm. Home traders were the chief buyers. Americans paid is 2½d for suitable crossbreds. The few merinos brought forward were quickly absorbed for the Continent. Inferior wools were largely withdrawn.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, July 8.—Wool—Steady. Territory and Western mediums, 23@27c; fine mediums, 21@27c; fine, 16@17c.

Flaxseed at Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, July 8.—Flaxseed, $1.68.

CROPS SHOW GAIN

Monthly Report of Department of Agriculture.

WINTER WHEAT 1.4 BETTER

But Spring-Sown Grain Is Not So Good—Reserves in Farmers' Hands Are Sharply Decreased.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—The average condition of the July corn crop was 89.1 per cent of a normal, against 82.8 a year ago; Winter wheat 82.4, against 80.6; Spring wheat 92.7, against 89.4; Sp