COFFEE TO GO UP

Prices at Primary Markets Show Decided Advance.

BRAZILIANS IN CONTROL

Through Valorization Scheme and Short Crops the South American Republic Is Enabled to Force Values to Higher Level.

Contrary to expectations of the coffee-roasting trade, but strictly in line with the predictions of coffee brokers, importers and handlers, there has been a big advance in prices on green coffees. Brazil, which grows 80 per cent of the coffee of the world, has been able through its valorization scheme and somewhat shorter crops, so to manipulate the market that prices have been advanced on the medium and low grade coffees from 1½c to 2½c per per pound.

Santos coffees of the grades mostly used are fully 1½c higher than they were last year. On the medium sorts and the lowest grades prices have advanced fully 2 cents. Rio coffees, especially No. 7 Rio, which is very nearly the cheapest grade, has advanced 2½c per pound. The very high grades have advanced from ¾c to 1½c per pound.

Naturally, in conjunction with these advances, there has been an advance on Central American and East Indian coffees. The peculiar situation is that where formerly there were plenty of low grade coffees, today the handling of coffee has been so improved that there is a shortage of these kinds and what little there is is not exported but is used in the country of production, as in the case of apples and pears here, where the consumer gets the poorest, while the best are sent away to New York or London.

It is hoped that the highest prices have now been reached, because it is a well known fact that the stocks of coffee in the world are yet very ample and much higher prices than those asked today would be likely to curtail consumption.

A report from one of the leading importing houses of New York says of the situation:

"The bullish features of the market may be quickly alluded to and are as follows: The world's visible supply, which last year increased during July 950,000 bags, this year increased but 535,000 bags. South America and South Africa, which have been using but small quantities of coffee, are coming into the market more freely and are this year using 500,000 bags.

"The commission men in Brazil are in much better shape financially, as are also the planters, than they have been for many years. Money is cheaper in Brazil than for a long time, and banking facilities are much better, enabling the planters and commission merchants to hold their coffee at less cost and feed the market only its requirements and not as heretofore throw the coffee onto the market in big quantities regardless of demand.

"All these things tend to still further advances in prices, and it is the general opinion that the present level is sure to be maintained, and still further advances are more likely to occur than not.

PUTTING PREMIUM ON CLEAN HOPS.

Eastern Brewer Willing to Pay for Careful Gathering of Crop.

In a bulletin sent out by the New York Hop Reporting Company, Adolphus Busch, the St. Louis brewer, who is spending the Summer on his estate in Germany, is reported to have sent positive instructions to his purchasing agents in New York State to buy no hops this season that are not absolutely clean-picked. The report further says:

"In order to stimulate the growers, Mr. Busch has authorized his agents to pay 3 or even 5 cents more a pound for choice hops which meet the conditions named. This means a big expenditure for a brewery whose output is reckoned in millions of barrels, but Mr. Busch believes that the outlay will be educational and profitable all around.

"Hired pickers in the United States, he says, are prone to mix leaves, stems and weeds with the hops, and these alien ingredients impart a hurtful flavor to the beer brewed from them. Growers in England, Germany and Austria, on the contrary, are watchful against such practices, and their product commands a better price in consequence. If American growers will take pains, as it is obviously to their own interest to do, Mr. Busch tells them that so many European hops will not be imported by America's big breweries, nor will so many American hops have to grow stale in English warehouses while awaiting purchasers.

"With the use of none but the best barley and hops by our brewers generally, Mr. Busch expects that the consumption of beers in America will double within another decade and will almost banish drunkenness by decreasing the consumption of distilled liquors, as well as of the drugged and poisonous substitutes now so widely used in prohibition territory."

Cereal Movement Increasing.

Wheat is now coming in from the interior in slightly better volume than for weeks back, and the same may be said of oats and barley, but the movement in all grains is yet small as compared with what it probably will be during September and October.

Buyers in the country are still operating cautiously, the bulk of the wheat purchased to date, it is said, having been taken for millers, but the chances are that the exporters will be in the market to buy freely within the next few weeks at the most. The farmers also up to this time have shown no general disposition to sell at going prices, but sales thus far this week are said to have been on a larger scale than last week.

Bluestem locally is held to be worth 96 to 98 cents and club 86 to 88c, and by some grain men the lesser figures in each case are regarded as the limit at this time. In some quarters yesterday the market was considered a shade weaker, the result of an apparently easier feeling in the East and in Europe.

Oats and barley were firm, but unchanged. Offerings of both continue moderate, but a slight increase in receipts this week is noted.

The Merchants' Exchange reports the arrival yesterday of 14 cars of wheat, 2 of barley, 3 of flour, 3 of oats and 3 of hay. Totals for the week to date are 44 cars of wheat, 7 of barley, 30 of flour, 14 of oats and 28 of hay.

Fresh Eggs in Good Demand.

Produce dealers report no weakening in the demand for fresh eggs, the supply of which at this time of the year is always meager. For such 28 to 29 cents is readily obtained in the Front-street market, and it is said that some sales at 30 cents have been made this week. Off-grade eggs go less readily at lower figures.

There was an easier feeling in the poultry trade yesterday, due to reports that the retailers had been obliged to carry a good deal of stock over from last week and as a result were not likely to buy very heavily this week. Quotations, however, underwent no change and trade during the day amounted to little.

For fancy dressed meats the demand was sufficient to take care of everything that came in and prices were easily maintained. There were no new developments in the butter or cheese markets, both lines holding firmly at the last range.

Peaches Are Moving Freely.

Peaches, for the most part Oregons, are now coming to the Portland market at the rate of three to five cars daily and the market as yet shows no signs of going to pieces, as it has been known to do in other years. Dealers report a demand, especially for choice stock, sufficient to keep the fruit moving in a satisfactory way, and the indications are that home consumption at this time is heavier than ever before. Fancy Crawfords yesterday sold at 65 to 75 cents a box, and occasional sales of extra quality fruit at 85 cents were reported. Peaches that graded as common to fair moved at 40 to 50 cents generally. Dealers say the better part of the Crawford crop will be in by the end of this week. Late Crawfords, Muirs, Elbertas and Salways are the most important of the later sorts.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,631,546	$104,975
Seattle	2,148,542	452,917
Tacoma	1,021,085	77,512
Spokane	794,886	89,633

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Bluestem, 96@98c; club, 86@88c; red Russian, 84@85c; Valley, 92c; 40-fold, 87@88c; Turkey red, 90c.

FLOUR — Patents, $5.35 per barrel; straights, $4.50@4.95; export, $4; Valley, $3.40; graham, $3; whole wheat, quarters, $5.20.

HAY—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette Valley, $18@19 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $20@21; alfalfa, new, $13@14; grain hay, $13@14.

BARLEY—Feed and brewing, $24.50@25 per ton.

CORN—Whole, $32; cracked, $33 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $20 per ton; middlings, $30; shorts, $21@22; rolled barley, $25@26.

OATS—New, $29@29.50 per ton.

Vegetables and Fruits.

GREEN FRUITS—Apples, new, 50c@$1.50 per box; apricots, 75c@$1.00 per box; plums, 75c@$1 per box; pears $1.25@1.50 per box; peaches, 40@75c per box; grapes, 75c@$1.25; blackberries, $1.75 per crate; loganberries, $1.50 per crate.

MELONS—Watermelons, $1@1.25 per hundred; cantaloupes, $1.50@3.00 per crate.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, Valencias, $4.50@4.75; lemons, $7@8; grapefruit, $4@4.50 per box; bananas, 5½c per pound; pineapples, 6c per pound.

VEGETABLES—Beans, 3@5c pound; cabbage, 2½@3c pound; cauliflower, $1.50 per dozen; celery, 90c per dozen; corn, 25c per dozen; cucumbers 25@40c per box; eggplant, 6@8c per pound; garlic, 8@10c per pound; green onions, 15c per dozen; peppers, 50c per box; radishes, 15@20c per dozen; squash, 40c per crate; tomatoes, 50@60c per box.

SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, $1@1.25; beets, $1.50; parsnips, $1.@1.25; turnips, $1.

POTATOES—New, $1.25@1.35 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 4c per pound.

ONIONS—Walla Walla, $2.50 per sack; Oregon, $2@2.25 per sack.

Dairy and Country Produce.

EGGS—Oregon candled, 28@29c per doz.

BUTTER—City creamery, solid pack, 34c per pound; butter fat, 34c per pound; country store butter, 24c per pound.

CHEESE—Full cream, twins, 17½@18c per pound; young America, 18½@19c.

POULTRY—Hens, 18@19c; Springs, 18@19c; ducks, 12@14c; geese, 10@11½c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, 22½@25c; squabs, $3 per dozen.

PORK—Fancy, 13c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 12½@13c per pound.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 10c per pound; peaches, 7c; prunes, Italians, 5¾@7c; prunes, French, 4@5c; currants, 10c; apricots, 11@14c; dates, 7c per pound; figs, fancy white, 6½c; fancy black, 7c; choice black, 5½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.10 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.25; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, $1; red, 1-pound talls, $1.60; sockeye, 1-pound talls, $2.

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

NUTS—Walnuts, 15c per pound; Brazil nuts, 13½@15c; filberts, 16c; almonds, 17c; pecans, 19c; cocoanuts, 90c@$1 per dozen.

SALT—Granulated, $18 per ton; half-ground, 100s, $10.50 per ton; 50s, $11 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 5½c; large white, 4½c; Lima, 5½c; pink, 7c; red Mexicans, 7½c; bayou, 7½c.

RICE—No. 1 Japan, 4¾c; cheaper grades, $3.50@4.55; Southern head, 5½@7c.

HONEY—Choice, $3.25@3.50 per case; strained, 7c per pound.

SUGAR—Dry granulated, fruit and berry, $6.25; beet, $6.05; extra C, $5.75; golden C, $5.65; yellow D, $5.65; cubes (barrels), $5.85; powdered, $6.30; Domino, $10.40@$16.90 per case. Terms on remittances within 15 days deduct ¼c per pound, if later than 15 and within 30 days, deduct ⅛c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

Provisions.

HAMS—10 to 12 pounds, 19½c; 12 to 14 pounds, 19c; 14 to 16 pounds, 19c; 18 to 20 pounds, none; skinned, 20c; picnics, 14c; cottage roll, 17½c.

BACON—Fancy, 20c; standard, 28c; choice, 27c; English, 22@24½c.

SMOKED MEATS—Beef tongues, 75c; dried beef sets, 22c; outsides, 20c; insides, 23c; knuckles, 22c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 16½c; smoked, 18c; backs, light, salt, 10½c; smoked, 15c; backs, heavy salt, 16c; smoked, 17½c; export bellies, salt, 17c; smoked, 18½c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels, pigs' feet, $16; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; lunch tongues, $22; lambs' tongues, $40.

LARD—Tens; kettle rendered, 15¾c; standard pure, 14¾c; choice, 13¾c; shortening, 12¼c.

Oils.

LINSEED OIL—Pure raw in barrels, $1.01; kettle boiled, in barrels, $1.03; raw, in cases, $1.06; kettle boiled, in cases, $1.08. Lots of 250 gallons, 1 cent less per gallon.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 91c; in wood barrels, 88½c.

COAL OIL—Water white in drums, iron white in drums or iron barrels, 14c; union kerosene in cases, 2-5s, 23c; oleum kerosene in cases 2-5s, 21c; Aurora kerosene in cases, 2-5s, 21c.

GASOLINE—Union gasoline in bulk, 18c; union gasoline in cases, 2-5s, 25c; union motor spirit in bulk, 18c; union motor spirit in cases, 2-5s, 25c; No. 1 engine distillate in iron drums, 8½c; No. 1 engine distillate in cases, 2-5s, 15½c; V., M. & P. naptha in iron drums or barrels, 15c; V., M. & P. naptha in cases, 2-5s, 22c.

BENZINE—Union benzine in iron drums or barrels, 16½c; union benzine in cases, 2-5s, 23½c; union stove distillate in iron drums, 7c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1909 crop, 8@12½c, according to quality; olds, nominal; 1910 contracts, 13½c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 12@17c pound; Valley, 18@20c per pound.

MOHAIR—Choice, 32@33c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—4½c per pound.

HIDES—Salted hides, 7@7½c per pound; salted calf, 13c; salted kid, 8c; salted stags, 6c; green hides, 1c less; dry hides, 16½@17c; dry calf, 17@18c; dry stags, 11@12c.

PELTS—Dry, 10½c; salted, butchers' take-off, $1.15@1.40; Spring lambs, 25@45c.

GRAIN BAGS—In carlots, 5½c each.

Bradstreet Issues Supply Figures.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Special cable and telegraphic communications received by Bradstreets show the following changes in available supplies, as compared with previous account:

Available supply—	Bushels. Increase.
Wheat, United States east of rockies	6,160,000
Canada	*1,591,000
Total United States and Canada	4,569,000
Afloat for and in Europe	3,600,000
Total American and European supply	8,169,000
Corn, United States and Canada	*1,421,000
Oats, United States and Canada	*3,209,000

*Decrease.

New York Fruit Market Firm.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Evaporated apples, quiet and firm, small stocks. Spot fancy, 10½@11c; choice, 8½@9c; prime, 8@8¼c; common to fair, 6½@7½c.

Prunes, firm on bad crop reports from the Coast and small stocks. Quotations range from 3¼@9½c for Californias up to 30-40s and 5@9½c for Oregons.

Apricots, firm; choice, 10¼@10½c; extra choice, 11¼@11½c; fancy, 12@13c.

Peaches, quiet and firm; choice, 6½@6¾c; extra choice, 6¾@7¼c; fancy, 7¼@7½c.

Raisins, inactive, offerings light, prices are firmly held. Loose muscatels, 3¾@5¾c; choice to fancy seeded, 4¾@6¾c; seedless, 4@4¾c; London layers, $1.20@1.25.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 16.—Wool, firm. Medium grades, combing and clothing, 23@23½c; light fine, 19@21c; heavy combing, 15@17c; sub-washed, 23@33c.

TRADING WAKES UP

Movement of Many Stocks Wholly Manipulative.

SENTIMENT IS CHEERFUL

Speculators in Wall Street Take Ground That Immediate Outlook Seems Conducive to Better Market—Bonds Steady.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Trading today in the stock market was more active and embraced many specialties, such as Colorado Fuel & Iron, Colorado Southern, American Beet Sugar, National Biscuit, American Ice, Central Leather and International Harvester. The movement in these stocks was almost wholly manipulative.

Later in the day the more active issues, including Reading, Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Atchison, St. Paul, U. S. Steel, Amalgamated Copper and American Smelting, showed advances.

Sentiment was more cheerful on the whole, traders taking the ground that the immediate outlook seems conducive to a better market. The opinion, however, was almost wholly negative in character, being founded on the belief that many contingencies have already been discounted by the present price levels and that stocks are no longer being pressed for sale. There appears to be a more active demand for the better grade of bonds and the tone of the market offers more encouragement than for a long time past.

Local financial institutions continued strong in cash, but are disinclined to make disbursements save for a legitimate purpose. Their attitude is based on the fact that a great many of the Western and Southern banks still show heavy loan expansions on real estate.

In the late session the market became more brisk and a general higher level of prices was recorded. This advantage was almost fully maintained to the close, which was active and strong.

London, where the line of the markets was more cheerful with the further recovery in consols, was again a seller here at the outset, but bought moderately in the late session.

The bond market was steady throughout, with Governments unchanged. Total sales, par value, $1,227,000.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis Chalmers pf	.....	.....	.....	24
Amal Copper	22,900	68	65¾	67⅞
Am Agricultural	300	44	43¾	44¼
Am Beet Sugar	6,800	38	37	37¼
American Can	500	8¾	8¾	8¾
Am Car & Fdy	1,800	49½	48	49½
Am Cotton Oil	1,100	61½	60½	61
Am Hid & Lt pf	300	28½	28	28
Am Ice Securi	1,100	23	22¾	21
Am Linseed Oil	500	13¾	13¼	13¼
Am Locomotive	500	29	27¾	28½
Am Smelt. & Ref	20,900	69¾	66¾	69¼
do preferred	100	102	102	102
Am Steel Fdy	400	45	45	45½
Am Sugar Ref	700	120¾	120½	120
Am Tel & Tel	3,500	136¼	134¾	135¼
Am Tobacco pf	300	92½	92½	92½
Am Woolen	200	28¾	28¼	27
Anaconda Min Co	1,000	41	40½	40¾
Atchison	11,800	1[illegible]	98¼	100¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	99½
Atl Coast Line	1,100	113½	111½	111¾
Balt & Ohio	1,500	108¾	107¾	108¼
Bethlehem Steel	1,000	27½	26	27
Brook Rap Tran	5,500	77¾	76½	77¾
Canadian Pacific	32,000	195	194	194¾
Central Leather	15,400	34¼	34¼	34¼
do preferred	100	105	105	104½
Central of N J	.....	.....	.....	200
Ches & Ohio	4,000	76¼	74½	75½
Chicago & Alton	.....	.....	.....	39½
Chicago Gt West	1,100	24¾	24	24¼
do preferred	700	45¾	44½	45¾
Chicago & N W	1,500	145½	144¾	146
C, M & St Paul	8,400	127¾	125½	127¼
C, C, C & St L	.....	.....	.....	73
Colo Fuel & Iron	800	32	30½	31¾
Colo & Southern	200	54½	54	54¼
Consolidated Gas	8,800	133¾	133¼	133
Corn Products	700	14½	14¾	14¾
Del & Hudson	1,700	162½	161¾	162
D & R Grande	800	31¾	30½	31
do preferred	100	71½	71½	71
Distillers' Securit	200	27¾	27½	28
Erie	2,500	26⅞	24	26⅝
do 1st preferred	700	45	44	44½
do 2d preferred	400	33½	32	32½
General Electric	200	145	144½	144½
Gt Northern pf	3,100	127¾	125¾	127
Gt Northern Ore	1,100	56½	55½	56
Illinois Central	200	131¼	130½	131½
Interborough Met	2,500	17½	17¼	17¾
do preferred	5,600	49¾	48¼	48¾
Inter Harvester	600	97½	95½	97
Inter-Marine pf	.....	.....	.....	16¼
Int Paper	100	11½	11½	11¼
Int Pump	500	40¾	39¾	40¾
Iowa Central	200	16¾	16¾	16¼
K C Southern	900	30¾	29¾	30¾
do preferred	600	65½	62½	65½
Laclede Gas	4,900	103¾	102½	103
Louisville & Nash	700	142½	141½	143¼
Minn & St Louis	600	24½	23½	24½
M, St P & S S M	400	131½	131½	131½
Mo, Kan & Texas	1,200	34	33½	33¾
do preferred	200	63	62	63½
Missouri Pacific	400	53¾	53¼	53½
National Biscuit	1,500	168	166	167½
National Lead	100	52	52	51¾
Mex Nat Ry 2d pf	900	28¾	28¾	28¾
N Y Central	4,400	115½	113¾	115
N Y, Ont & West	500	41½	41	41¾
Norfolk & West	800	97½	97	97¾
North American	200	69¾	69	69
Northern Pacific	11,900	118½	116¾	118¼
Pacific Mail	100	26	26	26
Pennsylvania	6,600	130½	129¾	130¾
People's Gas	200	106½	106	106½
Pr C C & St L	500	95¾	94½	95½
Pittsburg Coal	500	16¼	16¼	16½
Pressed Steel Car	2,100	37¾	36¾	37½
Pullman Pal Car	200	159½	159	159
Ry. Steel Spring	300	34¼	33¾	34¼
Reading	101,600	146	143¾	145¾
Republic Steel	1,700	32½	31¼	32½
do preferred	800	93	92	93¼
Rock Island Co.	18,000	31¾	30¾	31½
do preferred	1,200	67	66	66¾
St L & S F 2 pf	800	41¼	39½	40
St L Southwestern	100	24¾	24¾	24
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	58
Sloss-Sheffield	800	62½	61	62
Southern Pacific	20,600	117	115¼	116¾
Southern Railway	1,300	24¼	23¾	24½
do preferred	400	55¾	54	54½
Tenn Copper	200	23	24½	24½
Texas & Pacific	200	27½	27¾	27¾
Tol, St L & West	400	23½	23½	23½
do preferred	500	49¾	49½	49½
Union Pacific	74,400	169¾	167¾	169½
do preferred	200	93¾	93¾	93¾
U S Realty	.....	.....	.....	70
U S Rubber	1,100	35½	34¾	35
U S Steel	91,200	72¾	70½	72½
do preferred	500	117	116¼	116¾
Utah Copper	2,900	48	46½	47¾
Va-Caro Chemical	2,200	59½	58½	59¾
Wabash	200	18	17¾	17¾
do preferred	2,000	36¼	34¾	35¾
Western Md	100	44¾	44¾	44¾
Westinghouse Elec	1,200	61	60½	60
Western Union	200	64	64	64
Wheel & L Erie	.....	.....	.....	5¼

Total sales for the day, 538,200 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref 2's reg	101	N Y C gen 3½'s	88¾
do coupon	101	N P 3's	71¼ B
U. S. 3's reg	101¾	N P 4's	99¾ B
do coupon	101¾	U P. 4's	100¼ B
U.S.New 4's reg	114¾	Wisconsin Cen 4's	91B
do coupon	114½	Japanese 4's	89¼
D & R G 4's	94		

Eastern Mining Stocks

BOSTON, Aug. 16—Closing quotations:

Allouez	2	Miami Copper	20¾
Amal Copper	61¾	Mohawk	50½
Am'n Zinc Lead		Nev. Cons	21
do Sm.	25½	Nipissing Mns	11¼
Ariz Com	18¾	N. Butte	30¾
Atlantic	6	N. Lake	10
Bos. & Corb Cop & Sil Mg	14½	Old Dominion	37
Butte Coalition	19¾	Osceola	120
Calumet & Ariz	62	Parrott (Sil&Cop)	15
Calumet & Hecla	540	Quincy	76
Centennial	18	Shannon	10¾
Cop. Rg Con Co	67½	Superior	46½
E Butte Cop Mn	8¾	Sup & Boston Mn	8½
Franklin	11½	Sup & Pitts Cop	12
Giroux Cons	74	Tamarack	60
Granby Cons	33	U. S. Coal & Oil	36½
Greene Cananea	7¾	U.S.Sm. Ref. & Mn	40
Ia Royalle (cop)	16½	U. S. Sm & Ref. & Min pfd	48½
Kerr Lake	6¾	Winona	8¾
Lake Copper	38¾	Wolverine	121
La Salle Cop	16½		

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—The conditions of the Treasury at the beginning of business today was as follows:

Trust funds—	
Gold coin	$884,421,669
Silver dollars	488,134,000
Silver dollars of 1890	3,613,000
Silver certificates outstanding	488,134,000
General fund—	
Standard silver dollars in general fund	4,232,817
Current liabilities	96,067,362
Working balance in Treasury offices	28,273,318
In banks to credit of Treasurer of the United States	37,639,150
Subsidiary silver coin	20,611,383
Minor coin	1,097,144
Total balance in general fund	89,198,839

BIG CORN CROP ASSURED

OPENING WEAKNESS IN MARKET DUE TO RAINFALLS.

Wheat Shows Unevenness in Chicago Pit, Principal Causes Being Visible Supply Reports.

CHICAGO—Aug. 16.—Extreme weakness marked the first half of the session in the wheat pit, the principal causes being an increase of more than 8,000,000 bushels in the world's visible supply and heavy local receipts. Selling, induced by these factors, was rather overdone and later in the day shorts sought to cover, forcing prices up to a higher point than the previous close.

Word that more than 300,000 bushels had been chartered for shipment abroad, and that two additional cargoes had left Baltimore, together with large exports of Pacific Slope wheat, also aided in hardening the market, and the close was firm. September closed a shade up, at $1.02⅛ to $1.02⅛@1.02¼, after having touched bottom at $1.00⅝@1.00¾.

The opening weakness in corn was due to heavy rainfalls which encouraged belief that a good crop is assured. The close was steady all around, with September ¼@¼c off at 63⅝c to 63¾c, after having touched 62½c. Prices in the cash corn market were 1¼c lower, No. 2 sold at 64½@65c.

Oats exhibited none of the flightiness of the other grains and price variations kept within ⅝c, unmarked by any closing rally. The cash market fell off ½c and Spring sales were large. The close was firm, with September ¼ off, at 36¼, while December closed ¼@¾c down, at 38¼@38¾c.

Provisions were strong. Pork closed from 5c down to 10c up and early products gained from 5 to 15c. The close was firm. Final figures for the September products were:

Pork, $21.55, 5c off; lard, $11.02½, 7½c up, and ribs, $12.05, 15c up.

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Sept	$1.02	$1.02¼	$1.00⅝	$1.02¼
Dec	1.05½	1.05¾	1.04½	1.05⅝
May	1.10¼	1.10¾	1.09¾	1.10⅝

CORN.

Sept	.63½	.63½	.62½	.63½
Dec	.60¾	.61¾	.60¾	.61¼
May	.62	.63½	.62	.63⅜

OATS.

Sept	.36¾	.36¾	.36	.36¼
Dec	.38¾	.38¾	.38	.38¾
May	.41¼	.41¼	.40¾	.41¼

MESS PORK.

Sept	21.70	21.85	21.55	21.55
Oct	20.85	21.00	20.80	20.85
Jan	18.70	18.70	18.62½	18.62½

LARD.

Sept	11.90	11.97½	11.90	11.92½
Oct	11.80	11.87½	11.75	11.82½
Nov	11.42½	11.50	11.42½	11.45
Jan	10.67	10.75	10.65	10.65

SHORT RIBS.

Sept	12.00	12.15	11.95	12.05
Oct	11.40	11.50	11.37½	11.42½
Jan	9.30	9.50	9.72½	9.72½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Steady.

Rye—No. 2, 76½c.

Barley—Feed or mixing, 52@55c; fair to choice malting, 62@70c.

Flax Seed—No. 1 Southwestern, $2.24; No. 1 Northwestern, $2.46.

Timothy Seed—$5.60@6.

Clover—$13.50.

Mess Pork—Per barrel, $22@22.25.

Lard—Per 100 pounds, $11.32½.

Short Ribs—Sides (loose), $11.62½@12.12½; short clear sides (boxed), $12@12.25.

Grain statistics:

Total clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 236,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 1,452,000 bushels, compared with 890,000 bushels the corresponding day a year ago. The world's visible supply, as shown by Bradstreet's, increased 8,169,000 bushels. Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 453 cars; corn, 108 cars; oats, 931 cars; hogs, 22,000 head.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	26,300	24,300
Wheat, bushels	324,000	289,100
Corn, bushels	200,000	157,500
Oats, bushels	1,950,200	282,300
Rye, bushels	7,000	1,000
Barley, bushels	32,000	5,000

New York Produce.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Flour—Barely steady, with business quiet. Receipts, 19,175 barrels; shipments, 4070 barrels.

Wheat—Spot, steady; new No. 2 red, $1.08¾ elevator and $1.09¾ f. o. b.; No. 1 Northern, $1.24½ f. o. b. to arrive. There was active selling in wheat early on the heavy receipts, owing to the big increase in the visible supply figures and increased estimates on the Canadian crop, but prices rallied late on reports that about 300,000 bushels had been sold for export from outports, closing unchanged to ⅝c net lower. September closed at $1.08¾; December, $1.12¼. Receipts, 47,300 bushels.

Hops—Steady.

Hides—Firm.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Raw sugar—Firm. Muscovado, 89 test, 3.92c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.42c; molasses sugar, 89 test, 3.67c. Refined, steady.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 16.—Flax closed at $2.43.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, 60½@61c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 35¾@36¼c.

Rye—No. 2, 72@73c.

BUSINESS IS DULL

Little Livestock Moved at Local Yards Yesterday.

PRICES SHOW NO CHANGE

Cattle From Idaho and California Comprise Bulk of Receipts—One Bunch of Fair Grade Hogs Disposed of at $9.50.

Little beyond beef stock reached the North Portland yards yesterday and practically everything brought in came from points outside the state. Receipts were 368 cattle, 64 hogs and 20 horses. The cattle were all from California and Idaho. The horses were brought in from Idaho.

The day's offerings showed about the same general quality as those of the past week, and the few sales recorded during the day developed nothing new in the way of prices. Three bunches of steers changed hands at $4.25 and $5.25 a hundred and one lot of cows averaging 897 pounds in weight brought $4.25.

There was one sale of hogs and the price realized $9.50, but porkers of better quality could undoubtedly have been moved at a better figure.

No trade in the mutton market was reported, but that the demand for fancy mutton stock has not disappeared was evidenced by the sale Monday of three lots of high-grade lambs at $6.

Shippers represented at the yards yesterday were the Sharkey Commission Company, by one car of hogs; Brigerter-General A. M. Rowe, of Payette, Idaho, one car of horses; Gooding Packing Company, of Gooding, Idaho, two cars of cattle; Byrnes Bros., of Hailey, Idaho, seven cars of cattle, and Goodale & Cassidy, of Gazelle, Cal., five cars of cattle.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Weight.	Price.
5 steers	1050	$5.25
6 steers	1051	5.25
27 steers	1042	4.25
18 cows	897	4.25
64 hogs	221	9.50

Prices quoted on the various classes of stock at the North Portland yards yesterday were as follows:

Beef steers, good to choice	$ 5.25@ 5.50
Beef steers, fair to medium	4.50@ 5.00
Cows and heifers, good to choice	4.25@ 4.50
Cows and heifers, fair to medium	3.60@ 4.15
Stags	2.50@ 4.50
Calves, light	5.50@ 6.50
Calves, heavy	3.50@ 5.00
Hogs, top	9.75@ 10.00
Hogs, fair to medium	9.60@ 9.75
Sheep, best Mt. Adams wethers	4.25@ 4.35
Sheep, best Valley wethers	3.75@ 4.00
Sheep, fair to good wethers	3.50@ 3.75
Sheep, best Valley ewes	3.25@ 3.75
Lambs, choice Mount Adams	5.50@ 6.00
Lambs, choice Valley	5.00@ 5.50
Bulls	3.00@ 3.15

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 7000; market steady. Beeves, $4.55@8.20; Texas steers, $3.50@5.70; Western steers, $4@6.75; stockers and feeders, $4@6.20; cows and heifers, $2.50@6.35; calves, $6.50@8.50.

Hogs—Receipts estimated at 12,000; market 5c higher. Light, $8.80@9; mixed, $7.90@8.90; heavy, $7.65@8.50; rough, $7.65@7.85; good to choice heavy, $7.85@8.50; pigs, $8.60@9.05; bulk of sales, $8.10@8.40.

Sheep—Receipts estimated at 22,000; market 10c higher. Native $2.50@4.45; Western, $2.55@4.50; yearlings, $4.25@5.60; lambs, native, $4.50@6.85; Western, $4.50@6.85.

BUTTER MARKET EASIER

SAN FRANCISCO SLUMP HELPS SEATTLE SITUATION.

Alaskan Advices Indicate Whole Salmon Pack Will Not Exceed 2,500,000 Cases.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—As a result of the slump in butter prices at San Francisco, the local market is easier and dealers stated today that an advance this week is no longer probable.

Eggs were firm. There is an active demand for both butter and eggs to be shipped on the boats sailing for the North in the next two days. The Winter supply for the interior will be shipped this week.

Poultry was in fair demand and steady.

The feature of the fruit and vegetable market today was the large number of Northern orders, which are coming in rapidly. Peaches were active at 40@90 cents.

The potato market was easier as the result of the arrival of three carloads of tubers by rail and about two carloads on last night's boat. The $1.50 quotation still prevails on the best stock.

Pears are in good demand, selling from $1.25@1.30 a box. The first prunes have arrived and are quoted at 90 cents to $1