WHEAT SALES LARGE

Farmers in Northwest Beginning to Let Go.

MILLERS READY BUYERS

Bulk of Farmers, However, Will Wait Until Price Question Is Definitely Settled — Strong Inquiry From California.

Each day now sees an increased volume of wheat selling in the country, yesterday's sales being the largest for any day since the Government price was announced. Judging from reports received from the interior the idea is gaining ground among farmers that the price will stand where it was originally fixed. The great mass of growers, however, are taking no steps yet to sell, as they know it is a question of only a few days before the matter is definitely settled one way or the other. It is probable that final announcement will not be made by the authorities until the Northwestern farmers' committee reaches Washington and has an opportunity to present its arguments, but at the latest this action should be taken by the early part of next week. For this reason the bulk of the growers are holding back.

The statement coming from Mr. Hoover's office and from the Northwestern Senators at Washington would indicate that no change in the price is likely to be made, and this view is now taken by nearly all the dealers in this section.

A free selling movement would be welcomed not only by the millers here, but by the milling trade of California, which is looking anxiously to Oregon and Washington for a needed supply of wheat.

Offerings are light in the oats and barley market and prices are on a firm basis. Bids at the Merchants' Exchange yesterday were raised 50 cents in both lines.

Weather conditions in the Middle West, as wired from Chicago:

"Minneapolis, raining, cool. Winnipeg, threatening. Duluth, raining. Chicago, clear, cool. Peoria, St. Louis, Kansas City, clear. St. Joseph, partly cloudy. Hutchison, cloudy. Topeka, partly cloudy. Omaha, cloudy, looks like rain. Davenport, clear, somewhat warmer. Ohio, clear, no frost."

Argentine shipments last week were 886,000 bushels of wheat to the United Kingdom and the continent.

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

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Portland, Wed.	4	1	1	12	6
Year ago	29	1	8	12	5
Season to date.	417	46	143	263	275
Year ago	977	33	453	388	369
Tacoma, Tues.	15	....	....	9	19
Year ago	22	....	....	2	5
Season to date.	362	14	....	41	396
Year ago	1381	17	....	54	429
Seattle, Tues.	20	....	6	4	42
Year ago	6	....	8	4	1
Season to date.	280	39	314	110	1196
Year ago	1204	49	436	361	891

FOREIGN CROP OUTLOOK SERIOUS

Grain Conditions Bad in Nearly All Parts of Europe.

Crop conditions abroad, as arranged by Broomhall, from the latest information at hand, are as follows:

Italy—The weather is not favorable and harvesting is impeded. The yield will be an average one, but the total outturn will be much under earlier estimates. Quality fair. Import needs large.

Spain—Harvesting and threshing is complete under favorable conditions. Supplies of native grain are plentiful. Import needs will be small.

Scandinavian countries—Weather is unfavorably cool and dry. Threshing is progressing, but the yield and quality is unfavorable. Import needs are large and arrivals at all ports are practically nothing. The agricultural outlook generally is disastrous.

Balkan States.—Weather was fine for the completion of harvest. Yields of wheat and oats far exceed earlier expectations.

France.—Weather is wet in northern regions and harvesting is slow. Crop is being threshed and the yield is disappointing. Quality good. Oats turning out well. Stocks of foreign wheat are liberal and native offerate. Foreign purchases have been liberal and continued purchases will be necessary, as native yield is fully 160,000,000 bushels under home needs.

United Kingdom.—Wet weather has prevailed generally. Wheat yielded poorly and the quality fair. Harvesting is finished and threshing progressing slowly. Oats fair yield, hay large and potatoes good. Stocks o fforeign wheat are liberal and native offers fair with movement commencing. It is officially announced that the new maximum price for wheat is 74s and 72s for rye per 480 pounds.

Russia.—Crop reports are variable, but our agent says that in important Spring wheat regions the outlook is bad and enemy troops have invaded an important region where harvesting and threshing is finished. Stocks are moderate of old grain, as natice consumption is liberal owing to scarcity of other foodstuffs. Economic conditions are unsatisfactory. Weather caused great impairment to all agriculture.

Australia.—Weather favorable and crops improving.

India.—Weather fine for plowing and soil excellent. Supplies remain good.

RAIN LACKING EAST OF MOUNTAINS

Showers Help Pastures and Late Vegetables in Western Oregon.

Following is a summary of the crop conditions in Oregon for the week ending September 8, 1917, as reported to the local office of the Weather Bureau by special correspondents throughout the state:

Showers last two days in northern coast counties and the Willamette Valley benefited pastures, meadows, late potatoes and truck crops; elsewhere rain greatly needed.

Subsequent thrashing reports continue favorable for a nearly normal crop of low-grade Winter wheat. Sugar beets good, flax fair. Large acreage beans planted, but the harvest is disappointing; hops are somewhat better, although not up to average.

Stock fair to good, and is being gathered from the Summer ranges earlier than usual, and marketed.

Fair crops of early apples, peaches and pears being shipped. Drouth detrimental to late fruit.

CAR OF MALAGA GRAPES IN

Ripe Bartletts in Over Supply and Cheaper. Peaches Steady.

A straight car of Malaga grapes arrived from California yesterday, which were in size and color the best received this season. They sold at 4@5 cents a pound in lugs.

Pears were cheaper, especially ripe stock, which was in large supply.

Elberta peaches are coming in more freely and are moving at 65@85 cents. Muirs are quoted at 85 cents. Crawfords are nearly cleaned up and the best are worth $1.

A shipment of Oregon Hungarian plums was put on sale at $1.15@1.25 a crate.

Receipts of Butter Are Small.

Butter was steady to firm at last prices with light receipts. The shipping demand for cheese continues the feature of the dairy produce market.

Offerings of eggs, both ranch and storage, were equal to requirements, and prices were steady. Poultry and dressed meats were in moderate supply and unchanged in price.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$3,334,932	$288,736
Seattle	4,345,580	998,105
Tacoma	865,997	195,047
Spokane	1,394,992	249,279

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session:

September delivery—	Bid.	Yr. ago.
Oats—		
No. 2 white feed	$49.00	$28.50
Barley—		
Standard feed	47.00	33.00
Standard brewing	48.00	......
Millfeed—		
Bran	34.00	19.50
Shorts	35.50	22.00
Futures—		Bid.
October oats		$48.50
October barley, feed		46.50
October brewing barley		47.50
October bran		29.50
October shorts		31.00

WHEAT—Bluestem, $2; fortyfold, $1.98, club $1.96; red Russian, $1.93.

FLOUR—Patents, $11.20; straights, $10.40@10.90; Valley, $11.60; whole wheat, $10.80; graham, $11.20.

MILLFEED—Spot prices: Bran, $37 per ton; shorts, $40 per ton; middlings, $47; rolled barley, $55@57, rolled oats, $57.

CORN—Whole, $82; cracked, $88 per ton.

HAY—Buying prices f. o. b. Portland: Eastern Oregon timothy, $27 per ton; valley timothy, $23@25; alfalfa, $22.50@24; valley grain hay, $20; clover, $20; straw, $6.50.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Cubes, extras, 45c; price firsts, 43c. Jobbing prices: Prints, extras, 47c; cartons, 1c extra; butterfat, No. 1, 46@48c.

CHEESE—Jobbers' buying prices, f. o. b. dock, Portland: Tillamook triplets, 24c; Young Americas, 25c per pound; longhorns, 25c; Coos and Curry, f. o. b. Myrtle Point, Triplets, 23¾c; Young America, 24¾c per pound; longhorns, 24¾c per pound.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, current receipts, 38c per dozen; Oregon ranch, candled, 40c per dozen; selects, 43c.

POULTRY—Hens, 17½@18½c; broilers, 19@20c; ducks, 12@18c; geese, 8@10c; turkeys, live, 20@22c; dressed, 28@30c.

VEAL—Fancy, 15½@16c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 22c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, $3.50@4; lemons, $5.50@8.25 per box; bananas, 5c per pound; grapefruit, $2.75@3.25.

VEGETABLES—Tomatoes, 65@85c per crate; cabbage, 2¼@2½c per pound; lettuce, $1.75@2 per crate; cucumbers, 40@50c per dozen; peppers, 6@7c per pound; cauliflower, $2.25; beans, 6@7c per pound; corn, 30c per dozen.

SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, $2 per sack; beets, $1.50.

POTATOES — New Oregon, 2¼@2⅜c; sweet potatoes, 4@4½c per pound.

ONIONS—Walla Walla, $1.50@1.65; California brown, $1.75@2.

GREEN FRUITS—Cantaloupes, standard 75c@$2; peaches, 65c@$1; watermelons, $1.25@1.50 per hundred; apples, $1@2.50; plums, 75c@$1.25 per crate; pears, $1.50@1.75; grapes, $1@1.65; cassabas, 1¾@2c per pound.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SUGAR—Fruit and berry, $8.30; Honolulu plantation, $8.20; beet, $8.10; extra C, $8.75; powdered, in barrels, $9.80; cubes, in barrels, $10.05.

SALMON—Columbia River 1-pound talls, $3.35 per dozen; one-half flats, $2; one-pound flats, $3.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, 18@22½c; Brazil nuts, 21c; filberts, 22c; almonds, 19@20c; peanuts, 10c; cocoanuts, $1.10 per dozen; pecans, 17½c.

BEANS — California, small white, 17c; large white, 16½c; Limas, 17½c; bayous, 13½c; pink, 14c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 17@25c.

SALT—Granulated, $17.25 per ton; half-ground 100s, $14 per ton, 50s, $14.80 per ton; dairy, $18 per ton.

RICE—Southern head, 9@9½c per pound; blue rose, 8¾c; Japan style, 7½@7¾c.

DRIED FRUIT — Apples, 12½c; peaches, 11@12c; prunes, Italian, 11½@13c; raisins, 85c@$3 per box; dates, fard, $2.50@3 per box; currants, 19c; figs, $2@2.50 per box.

Provisions.

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 30c; standard, 29c; skinned, 27½c@29c; picnics, 22½c; cottage rolls, 27c.

LARD — Tierce basis, kettle rendered, 25½c; standard, pure, 25c; compound, 19c.

BACON—Fancy, 41@43c; standard, 39@40c, choice, 31@38c.

DRY SALT—Short clear backs, 27@30c; exports, 28@30c; plates, 24@26c.

Hops, Wool, Etc.

HOPS—1916 crop, 23@25c per pound; 1917 contracts, 35c per pound.

WOOL—Extra Oregon, fine, 50@60c per pound; coarse, 55@60c per pound; Valley, 55@60c per pound.

MOHAIR—Long staple, 55c.

CASCARA BARK—New, 7½c; old, 8c per pound.

TALLOW—No. 1, 12c per pound; No. 2, 11c.

Hides and Pelts.

HIDES—Salted, 25 pounds and up, 18c; green hides, 25 lbs. and up, 15c; salted bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 15c; green bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 12c; salted and green kip, 15 lbs. to 25 lbs., 18c; salted and green calf, up to 15 lbs., 24c; dry flint hides, over 7 lbs., 32c; dry flint calf, under 7 lbs., 36c.

PELTS—Dry long-wooled pelts, 40@42c; dry short-wooled pelts, 25@30c; salted sheep pelts, long wool, $4@5; salted lamb pelts, $1@1.50; salted short-wool pelts, 75c@$1.25; dry sheep shearings, 15@30c; salted sheep shearlings, 25@50c.

Oils.

KEROSENE—Water white, drums, barrels on tank wagons, 10c; cases, 18½@22c.

GASOLINE — Bulk, 20½c; cases, 29c; naptha, drums, 19½c; cases, 28c; engine distillate, drums, 10½c; cases, 10c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, $1.35; cases, $1.45; boiled, barrels, $1.37; cases, $1.47.

TURPENTINE—In tanks, 62c; in cases, 72c.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKETS

Prices Current on Eggs, Vegetables, Fresh Fruit, Etc., at Bay City.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12. — Butter — Fresh extras, 42c; prime firsts, 41c.

Eggs — Fresh extras, 45½c; fresh firsts, 44½c; fresh extra pullets, 42½c; extra firsts, pullets, 41½c.

Cheese—New firsts, 22c; Young Americas, 24½c.

Poultry—Hens, 24@26c; roosters, 13@14c; broilers, 28@30c; fryers, 29@30c; squabs, $2@2.50; pigeons, $1.50@2; ducks, 12@16c; geese, 18@20c.

Vegetables—Cream squash, 50c; Summer, 50@65c; eggplant, 50@60c; bell peppers, 35@50c; peas, 6@7c; tomatoes, 50@65c; green corn, $1.25@2; celery, 20@25c bunch; potatoes, $1.50@2.25; onions, silverskins, $1@1.10; green, $1; cucumbers, 30@50c; beans, string, 2@2½c; limas, 4@5c; garlic, 3@4c; okra, 50@75c; pumpkins, 35@50c sack; carrots, $1 bag; beets, $1; turnips, $1.25; chile peppers, 30@40c.

Fruits—Grapes, seedless, 75c; muscats, 90c@$1.25; pears, Bartlett, $1.50; cantaloupes, Turlock, $1@1.25; watermelons, $1.50@2.50 dozen; peaches, 40@50c; plums, 65@85c; figs, single layer, black, 35@50c; strawberries, $5@5.50; raspberries, $7@8; blackberries, $4@5; lemons, $7@7.50; grapefruit, $2.75@3.25; quinces, 75c@$1; oranges, Valencias, $2.75@3.25; bananas, Hawaiian, 75c@$2; pineapples, Hawaiian, $2@2.50; apples, red Astrakans, 50@75c box.

Hay—Tame oats, $19@21; alfalfa, $16@19; barley straw, 50@90c bale.

Millfeed—Cracked corn and feed cornmeal, $83@84; alfalfa meal, $28@30.

Flour—$12 per barrel.

Receipts—Flour, 3950 quarter sacks; barley, 2490 centals; beans, 15 sacks; potatoes, 2445 sacks; onions, 4110 sacks; hay, 306 tons; hides, 530; wine, 15,200 gallons.

Coffee Futures Lower.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Yesterday's rumors of easier offers in the cost and freight market were followed by scattered trade selling of coffee futures today, and after opening 1 to 5 points lower, active months sold 5 to 9 points under last night's closing figures. The decline carried December off to 7.62c and May to 7.99c, or about 40 to 48 points under the high level of last month. The close was at a net decline of 7 to 10 points. Sales, 23,750 bags. September, 7.37c; October, 7.42c; December, 7.61c; January, 7.68c; March, 7.83c; May, 7.99c; July, 8.14c.

Spot dull. Rio 7s, 9c; Santos 4s, 10c. Coffee was said to be offered freely in the cost and freight market with Santos 4s ruling around 9.25c, London credits. Ocean freights were reported irregular but easier in tone, with quotations ranging from $1.50 to $1.75 for steamers and around $1 per bag for sailing ships.

The official cables reported no change in Brazilian markets except Santos futures, which were unchanged to 50 reis lower. Rio exchange on London was 3-32d higher. Rio cleared 14,000 bags for New York.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12. — Copper steady. Electrolytic, spot, nominal; last quarter, 26@27c.

Iron firm and unchanged.

Metal Exchange quotes tin firm. Spot, 61.75@62.25c.

The Metal Exchange quotes lead easy. Spot, 9¾@10c.

Spelter firm. Spot, East St. Louis delivery, 8@8¼c.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, Sept. 12.—Linseed on track and arrive, September, $3.30½; October, $3.30½ asked; November, $3.30½ asked; December, $3.26.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Spot cotton quiet. Middling, 21.30c.

SUPPORT IS ABSENT

High-Grade Stocks Share in Weakness of War Issues.

ALL CLASSES SELL LOWER

Disturbances in Russia Play Important Part in Shaping Day's Speculation—Many Recoveries in Late Rally.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—A wave of selling, in which high-grade railroads and industrials figured conspicuously, brought about a sharp and general decline in stocks today. Many issues went under the low points of the recent setback, and in some instances the lowest prices in a number of years were reached. Trading increased substantially, the total sales amounting to 811,000.

Although there was no outstanding feature of the situation to account for the weakness displayed by the market, the disturbances in Russia played a considerable part in shaping sentiment. The Petrograd cables were followed closely in the street and traders hesitated to make commitments on the long sides under the present unsettled conditions. Russian bonds suffered a further relapse and the rate for rubles was depressed abruptly to a new low record at 11½, compared with about 52 in normal times. There was a late recovery to 14¼.

Bear traders operated confidently, meeting with little opposition most of the day. Greater significance, however, was attached to the selling of conservative investment issues, which ordinarily are not associated with speculative maneuvers. The lack of support for such stocks as these and the extent of their declines on comparatively small offerings undermined the market after a steady opening, and prompted more general selling.

The movement gathered momentum in the afternoon, but the low level finally reached brought out an increased demand. In the last hour the list rebounded sharply, regaining a considerable amount of the ground lost.

Selling was heaviest in Steel, which for a time was thrown on the market in large amounts, forcing down the price 3 points. Further weakness appeared in the motors. Reading, Union Pacific, Delaware & Hudson, Louisville, Canadian Pacific and St. Paul were conspicuously heavy features on the railroad list. Southern Railway preferred advanced on the resumption of dividends and New Haven, which has shown decided weakness recently, was in better demand and moved again in the market.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $3,345,000. Liberty bonds were stronger at 99.88 to 99.96. United States bonds were unchanged on call. There was a sharp rally in the rates for rubles late in the day, demand selling at 14¼ and cables at 14½.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing bid.
Am Beet Sugar	400	86¼	84	84
Am Can	4,200	42⅜	39⅜	40
Am Car & Fdry	2,300	73	70⅞	71¾
Am Locomotive	2,700	61	59⅝	60
Am Sm & Refg	5,700	96⅛	93⅝	94
Am Sug Refg	......	......	......	108⅞
Am Tel & Tel	2,200	115⅝	114⅝	115¼
Am Z L & S	200	17⅝	17½	17½
Anaconda Cop	16,900	72⅝	69¼	69⅝
Atchison	1,600	96⅛	95⅜	95⅞
A G & W I S S L	2,400	97	94	94
Balt & Ohio	2,300	67	65⅞	65⅞
B & S Copper	400	29⅝	29	28⅝
Calif Petrol	200	16⅛	16⅛	15⅝
Canadian Pacif	7,900	156	152½	154
Central Leather	4,800	83	80⅝	81¼
Ches & Ohio	2,300	57¼	55⅝	56
C M & St P	9,300	62½	59⅛	59⅝
Chi & N W	500	104	103½	103⅝
C R I & P ctfs	......	......	......	25⅛
Chino Copper	2,000	54½	53⅝	53⅝
Colo Fu & Iron	1,200	43½	43½	43½
Corn Prod Refg	19,900	26⅛	23⅝	24
Crucible Steel	34,400	70⅞	67½	68
Cuba Cane Sugar	......	......	......	30½
Dist Securities	2,700	26½	25⅝	25⅛
Erie	4,900	21	20⅝	20¾
General Elect	5,400	138½	135¼	137
General Motors	40,600	91	86½	90⅝
Gt North pfd	1,400	103⅝	102½	102½
Gt Nor Ore ctfs	7,400	33⅝	32⅝	32½
Illinois Central	1,400	101	99½	99½
Inspiration Cop	......	......	......	52⅝
Int M M pfd	10,800	88	85	85½
Int Nickel	13,500	33½	30⅝	31½
Int Paper	600	31⅜	29⅞	29⅝
K C Southern	500	19	18½	18½
Kennecott Cop	......	......	......	39⅝
Louis & Nash	......	......	......	115½
Maxwell Motors	2,200	30½	29½	30⅞
Mexican Petrol	7,100	91⅝	87¼	88
Miami Copper	1,200	35⅝	35	34⅝
Missouri Pacific	6,900	28	26⅝	26⅝
Montana Power	300	80	80	75
Nevada Copper	......	......	......	22⅛
N Y Central	4,100	77	76	76⅝
N Y N H & H	8,300	24	22½	22⅝
Norfolk & West	......	......	......	111⅛
Northern Pacif	4,400	100	98	98⅝
Pacific Mail	300	26⅝	26¼	26⅛
Pac Tel & Tel	200	22½	22	22
Pennsylvania	4,700	51⅞	51¼	51⅝
Pittsburg Coal	......	......	......	48¼
Ray Cons Cop	2,000	27⅛	26	26⅛
Reading	19,100	82⅝	78⅝	79¼
Rep Ir & Steel	9,200	81⅛	78	78⅞
Shat Ariz Cop	......	......	......	23⅝
Southern Pacif	......	......	......	90¼
Southern Ry	5,000	27⅛	25⅝	25⅝
Studebaker Cor	1,500	43⅜	42⅜	43
Texas Company	2,300	166⅝	163	163
Union Pacific	10,000	129	126⅝	127
U S Ind Alcohol	2,900	131½	128	129
U S Steel	255,200	109⅝	105¼	106¼
do pfd	2,800	118⅝	116⅝	116⅝
Utah Copper	5,600	98⅝	96½	96⅝
Wabash pfd B	400	25	24⅝	24⅝
Western Union	900	89⅞	88½	88½
Westing Elect	3,400	45	43⅝	44

Total sales for the day, 811,000 shares.

BONDS.

U S ref 2s reg	*96¾	Nor Pac 3s	*61½
do coupon	*97¼	Pac T & T 5s	†95⅝
U S 3s reg	*99½	Pa con 4½s	101
do coupon	*99½	S P cv 5s	95
U S 4s reg	*105½	S P ref 4s	84
do coupon	*105½	U P 4s	89⅝
Atch gen 4s	86	U P cv 4s	57½
D & R G ref 5s	*57	U S Steel 5s	103⅝
N Y C deb 6s	98¼	Anglo-Fr 5s	92⅝
Nor Pac 4s	85⅛		

*Bid; †offered.

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Mercantile paper, 5@5¼ per cent.

Sterling, 60-day bills, $4.72; commercial 60-day bills on banks, $4.71½; commercial 60-day bills, $4.71⅜; demand, $4.79 9-16; cables, $4.76 7-16. Francs, demand, 5.78½; cables, 5.77½. Guilders, demand, 41 13-16; cables, 42 3-16. Lires, demand, 7.77; cables, 7.76. Rubles, demand, 13; cables, 13¼.

Bar silver, 98⅝c.

Mexican dollars, 78c.

Government bonds steady; railroad bonds easy.

Time loans steady; 60 and 90 days and six months, 5½ per cent.

Call money easier. High, 5 per cent; low, 3 per cent; ruling rate, 5 per cent; closing bid, 4½ per cent; offered at 5 per cent; last loan 5 per cent.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—Bar silver, 50d per ounce. Money, 3¾ per cent. Discount rates, short bills, 4¾ per cent; three months' bills, 4 13-16 per cent.

Stocks Steady at London.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—American securities were steady on the stock exchange today.

HOG PRICES HOLD FIRM

FURTHER SALES ARE MADE AT $17.25 AT YARDS.

Four Loads Are Received From California—Cattle Are Steady at Present Prices.

There was a fair run of hogs at the yards yesterday, including four loads from California. The market remained firm, with $17.25 again paid for top grade. Cattle trading was moderately active, the most important sale being a load of steers at $9.10. No sheep or lambs were offered on the local market.

Receipts were 9 cattle, 740 hogs and 676 sheep. Shippers were:

With hogs—H. M. Harnett, Willows, Cal., 4 loads; Williams, 1 load; C. A. Gourby, Drain, 1 load; M. L. Forrester, Tangent, 1 load.

With cattle—O. A. O'Rear, 1 load; O. C. Sethe, Glendale, 1 load.

With sheep—G. P. Ketchum, The Dalles, 4 loads; W. McKenna, Alderdale, Wash., 2 loads.

With mixed loads—W. A. Ayres, Lawson, 1 load cattle, hogs and sheep.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
2 steers	740	$4.50	8 hogs	120	16.50
3 steers	678	4.50	1 hog	240	$16.50
3 steers	750	5.50	9 hogs	201	17.10
3 steers	766	5.00	3 hogs	200	17.10
4 steers	818	6.00	2 hogs	330	15.75
1 steer	750	6.00	2 hogs	205	17.10
13 steers	1140	9.10	11 hogs	186	17.10
1 cow	1070	7.00	11 hogs	186	17.10
10 cows	871	4.50	6 hogs	176	17.00
1 cow	1370	3.00	28 hogs	100	15.60
2 heifers	465	3.00	1 hog	140	16.50
2 heifers	465	3.50	5 hogs	172	17.00
2 heifers	580	5.50	1 hog	130	15.00
7 heifers	577	5.50	1 steer	790	6.50
2 bulls	985	5.15	1 steer	950	7.50
1 bull	820	4.50	2 cows	770	4.00
1 stag	1010	5.15	1 cow	990	3.50
21 hogs	220	17.25	2 cows	935	4.00
2 hogs	380	16.25	1 cow	1050	6.00
14 hogs	222	17.25	1 cow	640	5.00
12 hogs	197	17.25	1 cow	680	5.00
12 hogs	226	17.25	1 cow	760	6.00
1 hog	280	16.75	1 cow	980	5.00
1 hog	270	17.25	1 cow	740	5.00
3 hogs	186	17.25	2 cows	1010	5.25
4 hogs	177	17.00	8 cows	856	4.25
4 hogs	177	17.00	1 cow	990	4.25
1 hog	280	16.25	1 cow	1100	6.00
1 hog	140	16.50	1 cow	1230	7.00
1 hog	230	17.25	1 cow	950	5.00
2 hogs	220	17.25	1 cow	860	5.00
3 hogs	150	16.00	1 cow	790	6.00
8 hogs	156	16.00	2 bulls	576	4.50
10 hogs	165	17.10	3 bulls	576	4.50
6 hogs	211	17.10	1 bull	550	7.00
5 hogs	144	15.75	1 heifer	720	6.00
5 hogs	126	15.75	1 heifer	680	5.50
1 hog	380	15.75	1 heifer	590	5.00
1 hog	220	17.00	1 heifer	780	5.00
1 hog	360	16.10	1 stag	640	4.00
9 hogs	181	17.10	11 lambs	75	12.25

Prices current at the yards were:

Best beef steers	$ 8.75@ 9.50
Good beef steers	7.50@ 8.75
Best beef cows	6.75@ 7.50
Ordinary to good cows	4.00@ 6.75
Best heifers	7.00@ 8.00
Bulls	4.50@ 6.75
Calves	7.00@ 9.50
Stockers and feeders	4.50@ 7.25
Hogs—	
Prime light	17.00@17.25
Prime heavy	16.50@17.00
Pigs	14.00@15.50
Sheep—	
Western lambs	13.00@13.50
Valley lambs	11.75@12.50
Yearlings	10.00@10.50
Wethers	9.75@10.50
Ewes	8.00@ 8.50

EASTERN LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT

Meat Trade Conditions at Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Washington.

Reports on meat trade conditions, September 11 (8:30 A. M., Eastern time), by United States Bureau of Markets:

Beef.

Boston— Beef, fresh: Receipts light, some cars running late, expected to arrive during the morning, demand slow, market quiet. Kosher beef: Supply moderate, demand fair, prices unchanged. Steers: Receipts light, demand slow, prices firm. Cows: Receipts increasing, demand good, prices steady to higher. Bulls: Few arrivals, demand light, market unchanged.

New York—Beef, fresh: Cars arriving late, demand good, market steady. Kosher chucks and plates: Supply normal, demand good, market steady. Hinds and ribs: Supply adequate, demand good, market steady on medium and common grades. Steers: Many cars delayed, demand generally good, market steady. Cows: Receipts moderate, good demand for heavier weights, market unsettled with prices being maintained. Bulls: Receipts moderate, demand fair, prices firm.

Philadelphia—Beef, fresh: Receipts below normal, cars continue to run late, demand fair, market steady to strong. Kosher beef: Supply normal, demand fair, market steady to strong. Steers: Receipts below normal, very few good and choice steers offered, demand good, market strong, receipts of lower grades normal, demand fair, market steady. Cows: Receipts increasing, demand fair, market steady to strong. Bulls: Receipts moderate, demand fair, market unchanged.

Washington—Beef, fresh: Receipts light, cars arriving late, little better demand, trade practically taking on only a day's supply, market unchanged. Steers: This week's receipts below normal, demand light, prices firm. Cows: Receipts delayed, very little trading, poor demand for lower grades, market unchanged. Bulls: None in the market.

Pork.

Boston—Supply light, demand light, market strong at yesterday's prices.

New York—Receipts very light, demand slow, prices unchanged, many houses cleaning up frozen stock.

Philadelphia—Receipts light, demand fair, market unchanged.

Washington—Supply very light, demand exceeds supply, market steady. Frozen loins offered freely but hard to move.

Lamb.

Boston—Receipts moderate, demand fair, market steady to strong.

New York—Receipts light, demand fair, good lambs $1 per cwt. higher than on Monday, thin light lambs $4 to $4.50 higher than last week.

Philadelphia—Receipts light, demand fair, market steady to strong.

Washington—Receipts very light, demand fair, market unchanged.

Loading Report.

Destinations of livestock loaded September 11. (Carloads reported west of Allegheny Mountains; double-decks counted as two cars):

	Cattle, Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Mixed Stock	T't'l.
Baltimore	...	12	...	...	13
Boston	...	26	...	1	27
Buffalo	9	12	5	11	37
Cedar Rapids	9	16	...	...	26
Chicago	547	225	270	57	1115
Cincinnati	30	17	3	10	60
Cleveland	26	5	1	8	40
Denver	61	6	7	...	74
Detroit	23	27	...	39	89
E. St. Louis, Ill.	174	106	4	20	329
Fort Worth	219	26	2	4	257
Indianapolis	18	48	...	33	89
Jersey City	15	10	...	...	25
Kansas City, Mo.	241	43	33	9	332
Lancaster, Pa.	12	...	...	...	12
Los Angeles	6	1	...	...	7
Louisville	2	1	3	6	12
Mason City, Ia.	2	7	...	1	10
Milwaukee	13	7	1	11	32
Nashville	6	...	...	2	11
New Orleans	11	...	...	2	15
New York	14	18	6	...	38
Oklahoma City	47	17	3	1	72
Omaha	160	46	114	...	321
Ottumwa	19	13	1	...	33
Peoria	12	5	...	...	17
Philadelphia	12	4	...	...	16
Pittsburg	4	15	1	3	23
Portland, Or.	...	1	2	1	4
St. Joseph, Mo.	55	82	8	16	164
St. Paul	67	16	1	94	179
San Francisco	20	3	...	...	23
Seattle	2	1	...	...	3
Sioux City	68	63	2	...	137
Sioux Falls	10	8	...	...	18
Spokane	2	...	...	...	3
Wheeling, W.Va.	...	10	...	...	11
Wichita	15	18	6	2	42
Various	587	64	240	10	1322
Canada	...	...	...	...	6
Totals	2830	1013	715	341	5100
One week ago	3423	987	694	388	5651
Four wks. ago	1820	834	285	328	3359

State origins of livestock loaded September 11:

	Cattle, Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Mixed Stock	T't'l.
For Portland—					
Oregon	...	1	...	1	2
Washington	...	...	2	...	2
T't'l Portland	...	1	2	1	4
One week ago	2	2	9	1	14
Four wks. ago	1	1	...	3	5
For Seattle—					
Washington	2	1	...	...	3
Total Seattle.	2	1	...	...	3
One week ago	1	1	14	2	18
Four wks. ago	2	...	...	...	2

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Sept. 12.—Hogs—Receipts 5600, market steady, 10c to 25c higher. Heavy, $17.50@18.10; mixed, $17.60@18.10; light, $18@18.50; pigs, $16@17.50; bulk of sales, $17.60@18.10.

Cattle—Receipts 5800, market 25c to 50c higher. Native steers, $8.50@16.50; cows and heifers, $6.50@9.50; Western steers, $8@13.50; Texas steers, $7.50@10; cows and heifers, $6@9; canners, $5@6; stockers and feeders, $6@13; calves, $8@12; bulls, stags, etc., $5.50@8.

Sheep—Receipts 28,000, market steady, 10c to 25c higher. Yearlings, $11.50@12.50; wethers, $10.50@12; ewes, $9.50@10.75; lambs, $16@17.50.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—Hogs—Receipts 12,000, slow to 5@10c above yesterday's average. Bulk, 17.50@18.80; light, $17.25@18.80; mixed, $17.05@18.90; heavy, $16.90@18.90; rough, $16.90@17.15; pigs, $13.50@17.40.

Cattle—Receipts 17,000, strong. Native beef cattle, $7.25@17.60; Western steers, $6.50@14.50; stockers and feeders, $6.10@10.50; cows and heifers, $4.80@12.85; calves, $12@16.

Sheep—Receipts 16,000, firm. Wethers, $8.75@12.75; lambs, $12@17.85.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Sept. 12.—Turpentine firm, 39¾@40¼c. Sales, 410 barrels; receipts, 254 barrels; shipments, 284 barrels; stock, 32,957 barrels.

Rosin firm. Sales, 1104 barrels; receipts, 1064 barrels; shipments, 895 barrels; stock, 86,885 barrels. Quote: B. D. E. F. G. $5.50; H, $5.55; I, $5.60; K, $5.70; M, $5.90; N, $6.85; WG, $7.20; WW, $7.35.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Evaporated apples dull but firm.

Prunes firmer. Californias, 9@12c; Oregons, 10¾@11¼c.

Peaches firm.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Raw sugar, nominal. Centrifugal, 7.02c; molasses, 6.14c. Refined, steady. Fine granulated, 8.40@8.50c.

New York Hops 90 Cents.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Hops firm. State medium to choice 1917, 80@90c; Pacific Coast 1917, 35@39c; 1916, 20@25c.

FLOUR STOCK LIGHT

Wheat Receipts at Chicago Are Still Meager.

FALL PLOWING PROGRESSES

Corn Prices Weaken in Sympathy With Break in Wall-Street Market—Better Weather for Crop Maturing.

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—Corn weakened in value at the last today, owing to sympathy with a break in the New York stock market. The close was heavy, ⅛c to ⅝c net lower, with December $1.17⅝ and May $1.14⅝@1.15. Oats showed a net gain of ⅛@⅛c. In provisions the outcome ranged from 60c decline to a rise of 2½c.

Depression that prevailed toward the end of the day in the corn market had as a basis the fact that liquidation is not usually confined to any one article, and that many owners of stocks were believed to be long on grain. Previous to the final hour the bulls ruled the pit, except just at the opening. Initial declines were ascribed to better weather for maturing the crop.

Oats developed firmness on account of continued smallness of receipts here. Country offerings to arrive were scanty, and it was said numerous farmers were holding back on oats until better assured of the safety of corn. Export call for oats was again in evidence.

Arrivals of wheat proved altogether too meager to satisfy an urgent demand from mills in Chicago and elsewhere. Flour stocks in distributors' hands were also said to be very light. Rapid progress was reported in plowing for the next Winter crop. Kansas advices in particular said the crop of that state would exceed the 12 per cent increase requested by the Federal Government.

Provisions were governed chiefly by the action of corn. The bearish influence of big sales of compound lard to the Belgian relief committee was thus more than offset, especially as regarded pork.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
CORN.				
Dec.	$1.17¼	$1.19⅜	$1.17¼	$1.17⅜
May	1.15	1.16⅝	1.14⅝	1.14⅝
OATS.				
Dec.	.57½	.58⅜	.57⅜	.58
May	.60⅜	.61⅛	.60⅝	.60⅞
MESS PORK.				
Oct.	.....	43.00	42.20	42.30
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	42.00
LARD.				
Oct.	23.55	23.70	23.50	23.60
Jan.	22.57	22.57	22.55	22.55
SHORT RIBS.				
Oct.	.....	23.67	23.60	23.60
Jan.	21.65	21.72	21.60	21.60

Cash prices were:

Corn—No. 2 yellow, $2.23½@2.24; No. 3 yellow, $2.23½; No. 4 yellow, nominal.

Oats—No. 3 white, 60¾@61½c; standard, 61½@61¾c.

Rye—No. 2, $1.85@1.86.

Barley—$1.25@1.40.

Timothy—$6@8.

Clover—$17@21.50.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 12.—Flax, $3.25½@3.30½.

Barley, $1.13@1.35.

Eastern Futures and Cash Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 12.—Corn, September, $1.67 bid; December, $1.17 bid; May, $1.14⅜; October, September, 59¾c; December, 58½c; May, 61c.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 12.—Cash corn, $2.05; September, December, $1.16⅜; May, $1.14. Oats, 59c.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 12.—Oats, September, 58c; December, 57½c; May, 60½c bid.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 12.—Oats October, 67⅝c; December, 62⅝c; May, 65⅝c.

Puget Sound Grain Receipts.

TACOMA, Sept. 12.—Wheat, no quotations. Car receipts: Wheat 15, oats 9, hay 9.

SEATTLE, Sept. 12.—Yesterday's car receipts: Flour 6, wheat 20, corn 1, oats 4, hay 42.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—Spot quotations — Wheat, nominal; feed barley, $2.37½@2.40; white oats, $2.85@2.98; bran, $40; middlings, $52@53; shorts, $42@43.

Call board—Barley, December, $2.43½; May, $2.47½ bid.

RAIN CAUSES NO DAMAGE

LATE CROPS IN WILLAMETTE VALLEY BENEFITED.

Farmers Are Enabled to Start Fall Plowing—Hay Is Cut and Stored.

Western Oregon crop conditions are reported by H. A. Hinshaw, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific, as follows:

McMinnville—The long continued drouth was broken on the 6th by a steady rainfall, which is beneficial to late potatoes, corn, pastures and will permit Fall plowing to begin at once. No damage to hay, which has all been cut and stored. Fully 60 per cent of small grain has either been threshed or stacked and has not been damaged by rain.

Ashland—The long continued drouth has not as yet been broken by rainfall. Fully 75 per cent of the small grains have been threshed or stacked. No change in yield or quality since last report, which was 90 per cent of normal. Second cutting of alfalfa practically completed and is making a good yield. The gathering of peaches and pears will practically be completed this week, while the gathering of apples will not begin until about the 25th of the month. Quality of all fruits exceptionally good. Rain is needed for pastures and to enable the farmers to proceed with their Fall plowing.

Eugene—This section was favored with a good rain during the past week, which is very beneficial to late potatoes and corn. The rain has done no damage to other crops. The hay crop is cut and baled, while 75 per cent of the small grains have either been threshed or stacked. The late rain will help apples or other fruits very little; however, it is welcomed by the farmers, which will help the pastures and enable them to proceed with their Fall plowing.

Newberg—A steady rain has fallen for about the past three days in this section, which is welcomed by the farmers and will improve the late potatoes, corn and apples. Practically all hay has been baled and stored and fully 70 per cent of small grain has either been threshed or stacked. Do not anticipate any damage to the latter.

Roseburg—Number of showers have fallen here in the past five days, which were very beneficial to the pastures, late potatoes, corn or other crops which had not been damaged to any extent by the continued drouth, and will enable the farmers to start their Fall plowing. The pears have practically all been gathered and shipped. Apples will commence to move about the 25th of the month and indicate normal crop.

Medford—As yet, no relief obtained from the continued drouth. Indications of rain were very favorable, however, have disappeared. Practically 75 per cent of small grains threshed or in shock. Second cutting of alfalfa yielding about 60 per cent of normal owing to the continued dry weather. Potatoes show an increase in acreage of 20 per cent; yield will probably be same as last year. Quality poor, account of continued dry weather. Bean acreage shows 50 per cent increase, yield about same as last year. Owing to dry weather they made very little progress. Irrigated peaches and pears of good quality and good yield. Those on non-irrigated lands are small, while the quality is good. Apples will yield a normal crop; however, worms are appearing in some localities and may reduce the crop to some extent.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, Sept. 12. — Butter, higher. Creamery, 39½@43c.

Eggs, lower. Receipts 8411 cases. Firsts, 37½@38c; ordinary firsts, 35½@36c; at mark cases included, 35@37c.

Increased Rye Acreage Promised.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—That an effort will be made by County Agriculturist H. Roland Glaisyer, of this county, to co-operate with the Klamath Commercial Club in a movement for increased Winter grain acreage in Klamath County, was announced today by Mr. Glaisye on his return from Medford, where the county agents of Southern Oregon met last week to discuss the question. The meeting was addressed by officials of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis, and the needs of a much heavier Winter grain acreage than usual were pointed out. While efforts will be made for planting all varieties of Winter grains in many parts of the state, Klamath County will confine her endeavors to rye, as that is the only Fall-planted crop that is certain here.

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Rain Falls to Halt Threshing.

WALLOWA, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The long drought was broken Sunday night by a shower, which cleared the air of smoke and dust. This is the first rain that has fallen since the 1st of July. The rain did not stop the threshing, and the Fall work is continuing under better conditions.

Industrial Notes.

BANDON, OR., has accepted a tentative proposition from the Gisbisch & Joplin Condensed Milk Factory, of Portland, to erect and operate a condensery there. The head men of the company two weeks ago looked over the territory, and as soon as they reached home they made up a proposition to put in a plant to pack 750 cases of milk daily, the plant to be ready by April 15, 1918. Bandon is to furnish a site and do certain street work, the site and work costing about $7500.

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From Bend comes the announcement that the engineers of the Ochoco irrigation project in Crook County expect to have the enterprise completed within 18 months.

Leet Paine, former stockman, has leased the John Day Hotel and two adjoining buildings.

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Surveys are being made by the United States reclamation service for a new storage reservoir at Hells Crossing on the American River, where a dam 100 feet high would impound 50,000 acres feet of water. Should the reservoir be constructed it will make necessary a new survey for the McClellan Pass Highway.

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The myrtle wood industry of Southern Oregon is increasing.

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Bandon is talking of bonding the city to build a shipyard.

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The Wallowa County Reporter is a second newspaper established at Enterprise, Or.

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The prune crop of the Union and Cove orchards will be only 60 per cent of the normal yield, is the estimate made by F. V. Martin, field representative of a large California fruit company, who has been inspecting the orchards in that section.

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Sealed proposals will be received by the Payette-Oregon Slope Irrigation District at its office in Malheur County until September 22 for $190,000 of bonds bearing 6 per cent interest, maturing serially after the fifth year.

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Leo F. Brune, of Grand Dalles, a prominent Klickitat sheepman, says that much damage has been done to flocks this season by raids of carnivorous animals, especially bears.

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Olympia is to vote on a $100,000 high school.

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Plans for conserving apple box material with a view to avoiding a shortage of boxes were agreed upon at a conference at Spokane attended by M. P. Goodner, secretary of the State Council of Defense, E. D. Rowley, manager of the box bureau of the Western Pine Manufacturers' Association, and about 25 apple shippers and box manufacturers of Idaho, Washington and Oregon. Manufacturers agreed to supply the demands of Washington and other Northwestern States before orders from California, Colorado and other states were filled.

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The Old Blanco mine at Port Orford, Or., is being equipped with new machinery to treat 500 tons gold-platinum sands daily.

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L. L. Miller, of Nampa, Idaho, has added to his real estate holdings in Long Valley by the purchase of the 800-acre ranch of James W. and C. L. Gray, who have operated as the Gray Brothers. The big ranch lies between Cascade and Belvidere. The price was $30,000 and Mr. Miller also bought about $10,000 worth of cattle, horses and equipment.

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Artesian water has been delaying work on the foundations for the elevator plants at Goldendale and Warwick.

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Linn Canning Company, at Lebanon, is busy with beans. Although the shortage in the crops of all fruit and vegetables will severely curtail the output for the year, it is expected to put up from 30 to 40 tons of string beans, 50 or 60 tons of evergreen blackberries and a like amount of plums and prunes before the season closes.

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Contending that a Federal grain inspector should be stationed at Pendleton to grade wheat shipped through this point a petition has been sent to the State Public Service Commission setting forth the request.

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Practically all of the day raised in the west end of Umatilla County has already been sold, according to Frank Saling, ex-County Clerk, now a rancher near Stanfield. Only a few of the farmers are still holding their hay. Though sold, much of the hay is still held there, and will be fed there during the Winter. Much of the hay sold for $16.50 a ton in the stack. Mr. Saling expects a beef famine next Winter, since many stockmen are selling cattle now because of the shortage and high price of hay.

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Alvin S. Hawk, commercial printer of Portland, who sold his business here about five years ago and took up a homestead in Eastern Oregon, is now proprietor of a large dairy at Fremont, Or.

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John E. Tourtelotte, of Tourtelotte & Hummel, architects, of Portland, has just returned from Paisley, Or., where a new schoolhouse is being built according to his firm's plans.

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R. A. Blanchard, who for the past year has been county agriculturist of Crook and Deschutes counties, with office at Redmond, Or., has come to Portland to accept the office of agriculturist of the Livestock Bank, recently organized by the Swifts.

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