CONDITION OF WHEAT GREATLY IMPROVED

Crop of 19,500,000 Bushels Estimated by F. L. Kent.

FAVORABLE JUNE WEATHER

Oregon Harvest Will Be About Two Weeks Late This Season. Oats Also Benefited.

An improved condition since June 1 of all Oregon crops except fruit is a feature of the July crop report just issued by F. L. Kent, field agent of the United States bureau of crop estimates. This generally improved condition is due largely to favorable June weather. A precipitation of close to three inches fell over western Oregon, with general rainfall of less amount over other parts of the state. While temperatures were below normal during part of June, growing conditions on the whole were very favorable.

Winter wheat—Condition improved since June 1 5 per cent, indicating a state crop of about 15,000,000 bushels. Harvest will be about two weeks late this season, beginning on the lighter lands probably about July 15. On the heavy lands of the principal wheat counties there are many fields where the stand is thin and many weeds are present. The thinner soils in southern Wasco, Sherman and Gilliam counties have the best crop in many years.

Spring wheat—For three years past June weather has caused a marked decline in condition of spring wheat. This year condition improved during June, and the crop now gives promise of 4,500,000 bushels or more. In the western part of the state condition is generally reported as being close to the 100 per cent mark.

Oats—Oats, which form the most part are spring sown, were greatly benefited by the June rains. An improvement of 5 per cent in condition is reported, which indicates a total production of probably 13,250,000 bushels. A considerable acreage of oats is always cut for hay, and this hay harvest is now (July 10) well under way in western Oregon.

Corn—Each year there is planted in the state an increased acreage of corn, most of which is used for silo filling. The increase this year over last is reported as 3 per cent. Except for the last few days, temperatures have not been favorable for corn, and the stand is thin in many fields.

Potatoes—The Oregon potato acreage appears to be about 96 per cent of the 1919 acreage. The condition of the crop is reported as 98 per cent of normal, which should make up for the deficiency in acreage, thus making the state's crop about the same as a year ago. A similar condition applies to the United States estimates. The total acreage appears to be about 96 per cent of last year, but condition of the crop is such that an increase of about 30,000,000 bushels over the final 1919 estimates is indicated.

Fruit crop prospects are for the most part greatly under the production of a year ago. Apples probably will be about 65 per cent of a year ago, the commercial crop of the state being estimated at about 60 per cent of last year. Pears are also light this year, apparently not more than 60 or 65 per cent of a year ago. Cherries are almost a failure in some commercial districts, and probably will be less than 50 per cent of the 1919 production. Prunes promise a crop not far from the production of a year ago.

WHEAT TRADING RULES CONSIDERED

Business May Be Resumed on Local Board in Few Days.

Rules governing wheat trading, which probably will be resumed next week, were submitted to the members of the Merchants' Exchange association yesterday and will be formally adopted in a few days. At the moment there is practically no business in wheat in the open market.

The coarse-grain market was weak and no sales were posted. August oats bids were reduced $2 and August barley bids 50. Offers for July shipment corn were down 50c and the best bid for August was $3 lower than Thursday.

The weather forecast for the middle west was mostly clear with not much change in temperature. Cromwell's report estimates the Iowa crop 75 to 85 per cent in oats and estimates corn of the United States 104,000,000 bushels remaining. New crop condition, 86.8 per cent, indicating a crop of 2,885,000,000 bushels.

Chicago wired that 500,000 bushels of Argentine corn was offered there at $1.38 c. i. f. in bags.

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

	Portland—	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Friday		15	....	3	....	2
Year ago		5	....	4	....	2
Season to date		451	7	26	8	15
Year ago		79	10	47	29	30
Tacoma—						
Thursday		5	....	....	....	....
Year ago		....	....	....	....	....
Season to date		35	1	26	1	12
Year ago		9	6	....	....	3
Seattle—						
Thursday		....	1	....	....	11
Year ago		....	....	....	....	....
Season to date		34	2	4	....	58
Year ago		....	21	11	6	4

WATERMELONS SCARCE ON STREET

Dinubas to Come Later Will Sell Cheaper—Cherries Plentiful.

Watermelons were in short supply and the market was firm at 5c loose. No more arrivals are due until Monday or Tuesday. Only two more cars are known to be coming from the Imperial valley. They will be followed by Dinuba melons, which will be cheaper.

Cantaloupes were plentiful and sold actively at steady prices. Raspberries were firm at $3.75 on the early farmers' market. Cherries were in large supply. Royal Anns sold mostly at 15c and the best Bings at 22½c.

Cube Butter Market Steady.

The butter market was steady with a good demand for the best grade of cubes at the previous day's prices. The movement in prints was moderate.

Egg receipts were limited and the arrivals were promptly taken at full prices.

Poultry and dressed meats were scarce and both lines were firm at unchanged quotations.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearances.	Balances.
Portland	$5,888,789	$ 992,842
Seattle	5,670,346	1,009,117
Tacoma	777,706	42,369
Spokane	1,921,005	647,014

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session.

	—Bid—	
Oats—	July.	Aug.
No. 3 white feed	....	$60.00
Barley—		
No. 3 blue	60.00	57.00
Standard feed	59.00	56.00
Corn—		
No. 3 yellow	63.00	....
Millrun	55.00	49.50
Eastern grain, bulk:		
Corn—		
No. 3 yellow	63.50	60.00

WHEAT—New crop club, $2.50 per bushel.

FLOUR—Family patents, $13.75; bakers' hard wheat, $13.75; best bakers' patents, $13.75; pastry flour, $11.80; graham, $11.60; whole wheat, $11.85.

MILLFEED—Prices f. o. b. mill: Mill run, $53@54 per ton, rolled barley, $70@71; rolled oats, $72@73; scratch feed, $89@90.

CORN—Whole, $80@81; cracked, $82@83 per ton.

HAY—Buying price f. o. b. Portland: Alfalfa, $28; cheat, $23.50; valley timothy, $35@36.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Cubes, extras, 53@54c pound; prints, parchment wrappers, box lots, 55c per pound; cartons, 58c; half boxes, ¼c more; less than half boxes, 1c more; butterfat, No. 1, 55@56c per pound at stations; Portland delivery, 58c.

EGGS—Buying price, current receipts, 38@39c. Jobbing prices to retailers: Candled, 43c; selects, 46c.

CHEESE—Tillamook, f. o. b. Tillamook: Triplets, 23c; Young America, 30c; longhorns, 30c.

POULTRY—Hens, 20@26c; broilers, 20@28c; ducks, 35@50c; geese, nominal; turkeys, nominal.

PORK—Fancy, 21c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 21c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

FRUITS—Oranges, $5.50@7.25; lemons, $5.25@6.25 per box; grapefruit, $4@9.50 per box; bananas, 11@12c per pound; apples, new, $3.75 per box; strawberries, $4@4.25 per crate; cantaloupes $2@5 per crate; cherries, 10@22½c per pound; watermelons, 5c per pound; apricots, $2.75 per crate; 4½c per pound; apricots, $2.75 per crate; pineapples, 17½@20c per pound; peaches, $1.25@1.75 per box; black figs, $3 per box; plums, $3@3.50 per box; currants, $2.@2.25 per crate; pears, $4 per box; raspberries, $3.75@4.25 per crate.

VEGETABLES—Cabbage, 3@3½c per pound; lettuce, $1.50@2 per crate; cucumbers, $1@2.25 per dozen; carrots, 75c per sack; horseradish, 25c per pound; garlic, 40c; tomatoes, $2.25@4 per box; artichokes, $1.50 per dozen; spinach, 7@9c per pound; peas, 7@10c per pound; asparagus, $1.75@2.25 per box; beans, 15@17½c per pound.

POTATOES—New white, 8@8½c per lb.

ONIONS—Crystal wax, $1.50 per crate; red, $1.75 per sack; yellow, $2 per sack.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SUGAR—Sack basis: Cane, granulated, 23½c per pound.

HONEY—New, $7@7.50 case.

NUTS—Walnuts, 26@28c; Brazil nuts, 35c; filberts, 30c; almonds, 35@35½c; peanuts, 16@16½c; cocoanuts, $2 per dozen.

SALT—Half ground, 100s, $11.25 per ton; 50s, $18.75 per ton; dairy, $27.75 per ton.

RICE—Blue Rose, 15½c per pound.

BEANS—Small white, 7½c; large white, 7½c; pink, 15½c; lima, 15c per pound; beansprouts, 11½c; Mexican reds, 10c per lb.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 39@50c.

Hides and Pelts.

HIDES—Salt hides, over 45 pounds, 14c; green hides, over 45 pounds, 12c; salt hides, under 45 pounds, 14c; green hides, under 45 pounds, 12c; green or salt calf hides, under 15 pounds, 25c; green or salt kip, 15 to 30 pounds, 15c; salt bulls, 12c; green bulls, 10c; dry hides, 22c; dry salt hides, 17c; dry calf hides under 7 pounds, 40c; dry kip, large, $6.00; salt horse, medium, $5.00; salt horse, small, $4.00.

PELTS—Dry flint long wool pelts, 15c; dry medium long wool pelts, 12c; dry coarse long wool pelts, 10c; salt long wool pelts, $2@2.50; salt lamos' wool pelts, 50c@$1; salt shearlings, 25@50c; salt clippers, 15@25c.

Provisions.

Local jobbing quotations:

HAMS—All sizes, 43@45c; skinned, 40@45c; picnics, 25c; cottage roll, 35c.

LARD—Tierce basis, 24c; shortening, 22½c per pound.

DRY SALT—Short, clear backs, 25@29c per pound; plates, 23c.

BACON—Fancy, 49@55c; standard, 33@40c per pound.

Wool, Cascara, Etc.

MOHAIR—Long staple, 25c per pound.

TALLOW—No. 1, 8c per pound; No. 2, 3c.

CASCARA BARK—Per pound, gross weights, old peel, 12½c; new peel, 10½c per pound.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon fine, 50@54c; valley, medium, 55c per pound; valley, coarse, 20c per pound.

GRAIN BAGS—Car lots, 20c.

Oils.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, $1.83; raw, drums, $1.90; raw, cases, $1.98; boiled, barrels, $1.85; boiled, drums, $1.92; boiled, cases, $2.

TURPENTINE—Tanks, $2.16; cases, $2.31.

COAL OIL—Iron barrels, 14½@17c; cases, 27@34c.

GASOLINE—Iron barrels, 25½c; tank wagons, 29½c; cases, 38c.

FUEL OIL—Bulk, $2.10 per barrel.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

Prices Current on Vegetables, Fresh Fruits, Etc., at Bay City.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—Butter—Extra grade, 61c; prime firsts, 59½c; firsts, 58½c.

Eggs—Fresh extras, 55c; firsts, 49c; dirty, No. 1, 52c; extra pullets, 47c; undersized, 35½c.

Cheese—Old style California flats, fancy, 33½c; firsts, 29c; Young America, fancy, 33c.

Vegetables—Beans, 4@5c per pound; do, garden, 6@8c; lima, 8@10c; Bell peppers, large, 15@20c, small, 5@10c; Chile, 15@17c; cucumbers, extra fancy, California, $1.75@2.50; No. 2, $1.50@2; Merced, $1@1.65 small box; lugs, $3@3.75; eucumbers, natural growth, 50@70c per small box; $1@1.50 per lug; hothouse, $2 per box; green onions, $1.25@1.50 per box; eggplant, 5@10c; do Livingston, 15c per lb.; peas, per lb., 3@4c; Half Moon Bay, 4@6½c; carrots, $2.75@3.00; beets, $1.25 per sack; summer squash, per lug, 50c@$1.00; Italian squash, $1.00@1.25; turnips, per sack, $1.25@1.50; corn, Winters, per sack, $3.00@3.50; bay, $4.50@5.00; celery, bay fancy, $7.00 per crate; potatoes, garnet and white, 3@6½c; No. 2, 3@5c per pound on the street; onions, yellow, $1.00@1.25; do, red, 75c@$1.

Fruit—Strawberries, 8-ounce baskets, 50@75c per drawer; 12-ounce baskets, 75c@$1.00; raspberries, 70@85c per drawer; blackberries, 40@50c per drawer; loganberries, 40@60c per drawer; black logans, 30@40c; cantaloupes, standards, $2.50@3.00; ponies, $2.00@2.50; flats, $1.00@1.25; honey dew, $2@2.25 per crate; melons, 2¾@3¾c per pound; bananas, Central American, 9@10c; Hawaiian, 10@11c per pound; pineapples, $4.00@5.00 per dozen; Valencia oranges, $4.50@6.50; lemons, $2.00@3.00; grapefruit, $2.50@3.50; apples, White Astrachan, $2@2.75 per box; Gravensteins, 4½@4-tier, $3@3.50; apricots, $1.25@1.75 per crate; per pound, 5@8c; peaches, 65c@$1 per small box; lugs and crates, $1@1.50; cherries, black, 6@11c; Royal Anns, 12½@20c; Santa Cruz black, 12½@22½c; Oregon Royal Anns, per small box, $1.50@2; big boxes, $2; plums, all varieties, $1@1.65 per crate; Santa Rosa, $1.75@2; Bartlett pears, $3.50 box; grapes, Malaga, $3.50 per crate.

Receipts—Flour, 3200 quarters; wheat, 315 centals; barley, 7208 centals; beans, 1152 sacks; potatoes, 2715 sacks; onions, 656 sacks; eggs, 60,898 dozen; lemons and oranges, 550 boxes; hides, 605 rolls; livestock, 547 head.

Coffee Futures Higher.

NEW YORK, July 9.—There was a further recovery in the market for coffee futures here today, owing to a continuance of the steadier tone in Santos and reports of an improved spot demand. The opening was somewhat irregular after the sharp advance of yesterday, with first prices 2 points higher to 8 points lower, but the market very soon turned firmer and closed some 17 to 21 points net higher during the afternoon on private cables reporting further gains in Brazil. September sold at 12.05c and December at 12.76c, or about 125 to 135 points above recent low levels, but the close was a few points off from the best, under realizing, with the market showing a net advance of 6 to 7 points. July, 13.65c; September, 12.84c; October, 12.58c; December, 12.64c; January, 12.68c; March, 12.74c; May, 12.79c.

Spot coffee was reported in better demand both here and in the New Orleans market. Locally the Rio 7s were quoted at 14½c and Santos 4s at 19¼@21¼c.

Eastern Dairy Produce.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Butter—Steady; creamery, higher than extras, 58¼@59; extra, 57¾@58; firsts, 53@57½; packing stock current make No. 1, 42@42½.

Eggs—Firm; fresh gathered extra firsts, 49@51; do firsts, 44@48.

Cheese—Unchanged.

CHICAGO, July 9.—Butter—Unchanged. Eggs—Unchanged. Receipts, 14,247 cases.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Copper steady. Electrolytic, spot and third quarter, 19.

Iron firm and unchanged.

Tin, spot and July, 50.50c; August, 50.25c.

Antimony, 7.75c.

Lead firm. Spot and July, 8.50c.

Zinc firm. East St. Louis spot, 7.60c bid.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, July 9.—Turpentine, firm $1.40¼; sales, 500; receipts, 688; shipments, 18; stock, 7526.

Rosin, firm; sales, 1615, receipts, 2865; shipments, blank; stock, 29,045.

Quote: B, $10@10.50; D, E, F, G, H, I, K, M, $13@13.10; N, WG, WW, $12.75@13.

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RAIL STOCKS STRONGER

ADVANCE IN SPECIALTIES HALTED BY MONEY RISE.

Acceptance of Disarmament Terms by Germany Has Favorable Effect on Sentiment.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Bull pools held undisputed sway during the greater part of today's active stock market session, their more confident maneuvers in selected issues being attended by the largest and most comprehensive dealings of recent months.

Many extensive gains were registered in the early and intermediate periods, but these suffered material reduction in the final hour, when call loans rose gradually from 7 per cent, the opening rate, to 10 per cent.

News that the German government had accepted the disarmament terms of the allies was another factor of sentimental importance. This was evidenced by the strength of French and Belgian exchange, which extended in more moderate measure to British bills.

Trade authorities, in their weekly reviews, dealt in detail on the downward trend of staple commodity prices.

Approximately 100 articles of common use were lower by slightly more than 7 per cent from the peak of last February.

In addition to oils, motors and their specialties, independent steels, tobaccos and sugars, the day's trading again embraced rails of high and low degree at extreme gains of 1 to 6½ points. Sales were 900,000 shares.

Liberty issues were again the only notable exception to a generally firm bond market. Total sales, par value, $9,375,000. Old United States coupon fours reacted ¼ per cent on call; others were unchanged.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.
*Am Beet Sug	1,100	95	94½	94½
Am Can	3,100	43¾	42¾	42¾
Am Car-Fdry	1,600	141¾	140	140
A H & L pfd	200	17¾	17¾	17¾
Am Int Corp.	2,500	90	88¾	88¾
Am Loco.	5,800	104	102¼	102¼
Am S & Rfg.	2,200	62¾	61¾	62½
Am Sugar	2,500	130	127½	129¾
Am Sum Tob.	2,900	94½	92½	92½
Am Tel & Tel	1,800	93½	93¼	93¼
Am Woolen	7,500	98¼	95¾	95¾
Am Z L & S	700	15	14½	15
Ana Copper	1,500	58¼	57¾	58
Atchison	1,500	81	80¾	80¾
At L & W Pa.	2,300	168	162	165¼
Baldwin Loco.	19,500	126½	124¼	124¾
Balt & Ohio	7,400	33	32	32¾
Beth Steel B.	6,300	92¾	91½	92
B & S Copper	200	23¾	23¾	23¾
Beth Steel A.	200	53¾	53¾	53¾
*Canad Pacif.	600	118¾	117	118¾
Cent Leather	1,400	68¾	67¼	68¼
Chand Motors	1,000	104½	103½	103½
Chi & Ohio	1,000	54	54	54
C M & St P.	900	34¾	34	34¾
Chi & N W	1,500	76¾	76	76½
C R I & P	8,000	28¾	27¼	27¾
Chino Copper	600	31¾	31	31
Colo F & Iron.	200	35	35	35
Corn Prod	2,400	97	96¼	97
Crucible Steel	3,500	161	156	159
Cuba Cane Sug	3,400	54¾	54	54¼
Erie	2,000	12¾	12¾	12¾
Gen Electric	700	143¾	143	143¾
Gen Motors	27,600	27¼	27	27
Gt Nor pfd	4,400	71¼	70¼	71¼
Gt No Ore ctfs	2,600	36¾	36	36¼
Illinois Cent	500	82¼	82	82½
Inspira Cop	2,300	53	52¼	52½
Int M M pfd	2,400	94¾	93¾	94¼
Int Nickel	15,100	18½	17¾	18¼
Int Paper	14,800	86¾	84	84½
K C South	400	18½	18	18
Kenn Copper	11,700	27¾	27	27¼
Mex Petrol	14,600	199¾	196	196¾
Miami Copper	2,100	21¾	21½	21¾
Mid States Oil	19,800	32¾	31¾	31¾
Midvale Steel	2,600	42¾	42½	42¾
Mo Pacific	4,400	26	25½	26
Nevada Cop	1,500	13	12¾	13
N Y Central	5,700	70½	69½	70
N Y N H & H.	8,100	31½	30¾	30¾
Nor & West	400	91	90½	90½
Nor Pacific	2,100	73	72½	72¾
Ok P & Rfg.	2,700	4½	4½	4½
Pacific Mail	100	20¾	20¾	20¾
Pan-Am Petro	15,500	108¾	107¼	107¾
Pennsylvania	2,400	39¾	39¼	39¾
Pitts & W Va	3,800	31½	29	31¼
Ray Con Cop	1,300	16¾	16¼	16¾
Reading	90,400	92¾	87¾	91¾
Rep I & Steel	5,100	99¾	96½	97
R Dutch N Y	2,900	115	113½	115¼
Shell T & T	1,600	77¾	76¾	76¾
Sin O & Refg.	2,800	32¾	32	32¾
South Pacific	18,700	95	94½	94¾
Southern Ry	26,700	28¼	27¾	27¾
S Of N J pfd	1,600	105¼	104¾	105
Studebaker Corp	7,500	77	76	76½
Texas Co	2,200	48¾	47¼	48
Tex & Pacific	3,400	42¼	42¼	42¼
Tobac Prod	5,200	72¾	71	71½
Transcon Oil	2,600	17	16¾	16¾
Union Pacific	4,300	115½	114¾	115½
U S Ind Alcohol	3,800	71¾	70¾	71¾
U S Rubber	4,600	96¾	94¾	95
U S Rel Stores	12,200	81¾	80½	81¾
U S Rubber	8,700	102¾	100¼	100¾
U S Steel	12,400	95¾	94¾	94¾
U S Steel pfd	900	108¾	108½	108½
Utah Copper	400	69¾	69¾	69¾
West Union	100	81¾	81¾	81¾
West Elect	300	50¼	50	50
Willys-Over	7,800	20¾	19¾	19¾

*Ex-div.

BONDS.

U S Lib 3½s	91.24	Panama 3s cp.	*77
do 1st 4s	86.20	Atlc F 7½s	99.16
do 2d 4s	85.50	Am T & T 6s	93½
do 1st 4¼s	86.50	Atch gen 4s	71¾
do 2d 4¼s	85.70	D & R G 4s	62½
do 3d 4¼s	89.74	N Y Cent 6s	86¾
do 4th 4¼s	85.96	Nor Pac 4s	71¾
Victory 3¾s	99.50	Reg 3s	72½
do 4¾s	95.98	Pac T & T 5s	*83
U S 2s reg	*100¼	Penn con 4½s	86
do 2s cp	*100¼	Stor Ry 7s	102½
do 4s reg	*105	Sou Ry 5s	79½
do 4s cp	*105	U P 4s	78¾
Panama 3s reg	*77	U S Steel 5s	91¾

*Bid.

Boston Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, July 9.—Closing quotations were as follows:

Allouez	28	North Butte	18
Ariz Com	11½	Old Dominion	35½
Cal & Ariz	39	Osceola	40
Cal & Hecla	310	Quincy	51
Centennial	11¾	Superior	14¾
Cop Range	40	Sup & Boston	3¾
East Butte	13¾	Shannon	1¾
Franklin	1¾	Utah Con	13
Isle Royale	30	Winona	50
Lake Copper	3½	Wolverine	13
Mohawk	62		

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Mercantile paper, 7¾@8 per cent.

Exchange, firm. Sterling 60-day bills, $3.90¾; commercial 60-day bills on banks, $3.90¾; commercial 60-day bills, $3.89¾; demand, $3.95; cables, $3.95¾. Francs, demand, 8.42; cables, 8.44; Belgian francs, demand, 9.03; cables, 9.05. Guilders, demand, 35.25; cables, 35.37. Lire, demand, 6.00; cables, 6.02. Marks, demand, 2.61c; cables, 2.62c; drachmas, 7.09c.

New York exchange on Montreal 12¼ per cent discount.

Government bonds irregular; railroad bonds firm.

Time loans strong, 60-day bills, 90-day bills and six months, 8½ per cent.

Call money strong; high, 10 per cent; low, 7 per cent; ruling rate, 7 per cent; closing bid, 9 per cent; offered at 10 per cent; last loan, 10 per cent. Bank acceptances, 6¼ per cent.

Bar silver, domestic, 90½c; foreign, 91¾c.

Mexican dollars, 68¾c.

LONDON, July 9.—Bar silver, 52¼d per ounce. Money, 4¾ per cent. Discount rates, short bills, 6¾ per cent; three-month bills, 6¾ per cent.

Swift & Co. Stocks.

Closing prices of Swift & Co. stocks at Chicago were reported by Overbeck & Cooke Co., of Portland, as follows:

Swift & Co.	108½
Libby, McNeil & Libby	13
National Leather	11¾
Swift International	36½

CORN SELLING IS FREE

TRADE ANTICIPATES CORRECTLY BEARISH CROP REPORT.

Last Prices Are Heavy and Lower, Temporary Upturn Due to Black Rust Talk.

CHICAGO, July 9.—Sellers had the advantage in the market most of the time today, owing largely to correct opinion that the government crop report would be bearish. Prices closed heavy, ¾ to 1¾c net lower with September $1.55¼ to $1.55¾ and December $1.38¾ to $1.39. Oats finished unchanged to ⅛@¼c down, and provisions unchanged to 25 cents up.

About the middle of the session the market scored a sharp temporary upturn in connection with gossip that black rust was spreading in South Dakota and southern Minnesota.

The Chicago market letter received yesterday by the Overbeck & Cooke Co. of Portland said:

Corn—Liquidation was on in corn early, but sentiment was less bearish than recently, due to the big decline. December at the inside figures, showed 2 cents under the outside price of June 28. There was free covering by many of the leading shorts who have been bearish for some time. The independent strength in oats and the falling off in receipts in the southwest had some effect on sentiment, as did the reports of some black rust in southern Minnesota and South Dakota. No damage claimed to spring wheat as yet. Cash prices were unchanged early, but advanced later. Weather conditions remain ideal and the forecast is for the continuance of the same. The 5-cent advance from the early low point was more than wiped out before the close on rumors of Argentine shipments and fear of a very bearish government report to be issued this afternoon.

Oats—Were firm from the start to near the close with rather persistent buying of the July by a cash house, while houses with eastern connections took the deferred deliveries. Sentiment in oats has been rather bullish for some days and the market has resisted fairly well, especially the July, which has acted rather stubborn. Crop reports remain generally favorable, although dry weather would be welcome in parts of Iowa and South Dakota. Late in the session the market receded with corn, showing a net loss of ⅛ cent to ½ cent from yesterday.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

CORN—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Sept.	$1.54½	$1.55¼	$1.54½	$1.55¼
Dec.	1.39	1.41½	1.38	1.38⅞
OATS—				
Sept.	.78	.79½	.77¾	.77¾
Dec.	.75	.77⅛	.75	.75¼
PORK—				
July	28.45	28.50	28.45	28.50
Sept.	30.50	30.50	30.25	30.25
LARD—				
Sept.	19.75	19.92	19.72	19.72
Oct.	20.15	20.25	20.02	20.07
RIBS—				
July	....	....	....	16.87
Sept.	17.72	17.85	17.67	17.67

Cash prices were as follows:

Wheat—No. 3 hard, $2.82@2.83; No. 4 hard, $2.78.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, $1.59½@1.61; No. 2 yellow, $1.61@1.62½.

Oats—No. 2 white, $1.06@1.08; No. 3 white, $1.04@1.06.

Rye—No. 2, $2.21@2.23½.

Barley, $1.25@1.30.

Timothy seed, $10@12.

Clover seed, $25@35.

Pork nominal.

Lard, $18.92.

Ribs, $17.25@18.25.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 9.—Grain—Barley, spot, feed, $2.90@2.95 per cental; oats, $3@3.10; corn, $74@75 per ton; rye, nominal.

Hay—Fancy wheat hay, light five-wire, $26@28; choice tame hay, $37@40; other bales, $33@36 per ton; new wheat hay, tame hay, $33@37; wild oat hay, nominal; barley hay, nominal; alfalfa hay, new, nominal; old, $30@32; stock hay, $29@32.

Seattle Feed and Hay.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 9.—City delivery: Feed—Mill, $52 per ton; scratch feed, $92; feed wheat, $99; all grain chop, $82; oats, $79; sprouting oats, $82; rolled oats, $82 per ton; new wheat hay, tame hay, $38@37; wild oat hay, nominal; barley hay, nominal; alfalfa hay, new, nominal; old, $30@32; stock hay, $29@32.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, July 9.—Barley, $1.05@1.25. Flax, No. 1, $3.61@3.66.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, July 9.—Linseed, $3.66@3.71.

TENDENCY OF WOOL PRICES EASIER

Little Outright Buying in Western Sections of Country.

BOSTON, July 9.—The Commercial Bulletin tomorrow will say:

"Trading in the wool market this week has been very desultory with prices showing an easier tendency. The reports from the west indicate no settled policy of doing business, either on the part of the growers or sellers, some consignments being reported and a little outright buying.

"The market for goods is flat, as might be supposed from the general closing of the mills."

Scoured basis: Texas—Fine, 12 months, $1.60@1.65; fine, 8 months, $1.45.

California—Northern, $1.65; middle county, $1.55; southern, $1.30@1.35.

Oregon—Eastern No. 1 staple, $1.65@1.75; eastern clothing, $1.50; valley No. 1, $1.55@1.60.

Utah—Fine staple, $1.75; half blood combing, $1.50; 3-8 blood combing, $1@1.05; fine clothing, $1.50; fine medium clothing, $1.45@1.50.

Pulled—Extra, $1.75; AA, $1.50@1.55; A supers, $1.30@1.40.

Mohair—Best combing, 53@56c; best carding, 48@50c.

PRICE CUTTING BOOSTS BUSINESS

Effect of Lower Quotations Shown in Hide and Leather Trades.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Dun's Review tomorrow will say:

"Early July, with its vacation interruptions and inventory taking, is not ordinarily a period featured by general and conspicuous activity in business and there are special reasons this year why operations should be limited. Constant reiteration of the importance of the price question is required in any discussion of the existing commercial situation and the elements of financial restrictions and transportation drawbacks have lost none of their significance.

"Where price readjustment has gone far enough to rekindle buyers' interest, as in certain kinds of hides and leathers, revival of demand along conservative lines has been witnessed and transactions that are being held in abeyance in some other quarters might be consummated if the necessary concessions were forthcoming.

"Weekly bank clearings were $6,870,167,547.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Evaporated apples, dull.

Prunes, quiet and easy.

Peaches, easy.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Raw sugar steady. Centrifugal, 18.81c; refined, steady; fine granulated, 22@24c.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Cotton—Spot, quiet. Middling, 40.50c.

WRECK CASE IS HEARD

RECKLESS DRIVING CHARGES AIRED BY SENTENCE WAITS.

Death of J. H. Rankin Is Laid to Drivers of Two Cars Which Smashed and Hit Pedestrian.

Charges of reckless driving against William Libke, 268½ Second street, and Roe Haroun, 132 East Forty-seventh street, drivers of the machines which struck and fatally injured J. H. Rankin, 207 Fourteenth street, at the intersection of Fourteenth and Taylor streets on June 9, were heard in the municipal court yesterday. Judge Rossman announced, following the hearing, that he would pass sentence next Wednesday.

Mr. Rankin, former prominent lumbering man of this city, was knocked down and run over as a result of the collision of the two machines and he died several days later at the St. Vincent's hospital.

Witnesses declared that Mr. Rankin was knocked down and later run over by both machines. The automobiles were declared to be going at a high rate of speed at the time of the crash.

A coroner's jury found that the man's death was due to the recklessness of the two drivers.

The two men were arrested following the collision by Sergeant Keegan of the traffic bureau.

Autoist Sues Railroad for $3000.

SALEM, Or., July 9.—(Special.)—Stanley Lainson, who was injured a few months ago when an automobile in which he was riding collided with a train at the Twelfth-street crossing, today filed suit in the circuit court here in which he seeks to recover damages aggregating approximately $3000. In his complaint Lainson says his car was damaged to the sum of $275, while medical attention and nurse cost $315. He set his special damages as $651.75.

RUN IS SMALL AT YARDS

ONLY SIX LOADS ARE RECEIVED OVER NIGHT.

Hogs Are Firm Feature of Market With Premium Again Paid for Best Offerings.

Only six loads of stock reached the yards yesterday and the market was, therefore, quiet. There were no changes in prices. Cattle continued slow and hogs firm with additional lots bringing a premium over the regular market. Sheep and lambs were steady.

Receipts were 138 hogs and 747 sheep. The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
1 steer	820	$ 8.00	4 hogs	177	16.25
4 cows	877	6.00	4 hogs	215	16.00
1 cow	880	6.50	2 hogs	220	16.00
1 cow	1210	6.50	5 hogs	200	16.25
1 cow	1210	7.25	9 hogs	190	16.25
5 cows	1004	7.25	6 hogs	215	16.00
1 cow	1250	7.25	2 hogs	280	16.00
1 cow	1030	6.25	1 hog	160	16.00
1 cow	1020	5.50	1 hog	210	15.50
5 cows	952	7.00	2 lamb	50	8.00
1 cow	760	5.00	13 lambs	84	10.00
1 cow	980	5.00	28 lambs	69	8.00
1 cow	1140	5.00	40 lambs	171	8.00
1 cow	1090	5.00	20 lambs	183	10.50
1 cow	900	5.00	111 lambs	75	8.00
1 cow	820	4.00	46 lambs	67	9.50
3 cows	960	4.00	16 lambs	65	8.00
2 cows	1030	4.00	2 lambs	75	10.00
2 cows	900	7.00	20 ewes	106	6.00
3 cows	1100	7.00	5 ewes	120	4.50
2 cows	1115	6.50	1 ewe	110	6.00
1 bull	1400