SOME COMPLAINTS HEARD REGARDING PAYMENT FOR WHEAT

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EGG MARKET FIRMER AND HIGHER; CENT IS ADDED TO QUOTATION

Ordinary Candling Quoted Stronger at 53c to 54c dozen Along Street During the Day—Many Shippers Are Violating Candling Law.

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Complaint has been made that certain retailers are selling cold storage eggs, which, although admitted to be of good quality, are sold from a box on which is displayed a placard marked "Guaranteed Eggs."

The food administration considers this practice and the use of these words as misleading and unfair. The rules governing cold storage products very emphatically declare that any perishable goods, including eggs, which have been in cold storage for a period of 30 days or more, must, when sold, bear upon the container the words "Cold Storage." Retailers must not overlook the fact, and it must be made apparent to the buyer of cold storage eggs that they are such, and not "Fresh Ranch."

Market for eggs is showing a firmer tone generally along the street for fresh ranch offerings. Ordinary candling is quoted generally at 53c a dozen, with some business during the day at 54c. Both of these prices are 1c a dozen better than former values.

Receipts of fresh eggs are decreasing gradually along the wholesale way. Demand continues to show an excellent tone, notwithstanding the fact that the call for storage offerings is increasing as the price of the fresh product advances.

The quality of present arrivals is generally good, but some of the trade is complaining because many country shippers are violating the government regulations in regard to candling. While it is true that most of the arrivals from the country carry candling certificates, this seems to be the extent of the candling, because as many pots and cracks as formerly received in current receipts are shown at this time.

DELIVERY CHARGES ARE HIGHER

Front street has put into effect new delivery charges. Two zones are shown instead of three with the minimum in the first zone at 25c for a 300 pound package instead of the former rate of 15c. In the second zone the charge is 25c minimum for a 200 pound package.

SWEET POTATO FAMINE AVERTED

By the arrival and delivery of a carload of stock, a sweet potato famine was averted during the day. Early in the morning the limited stocks were held at 7c, but later with the delivery of the carload the prices went back to 5½@6c.

DRIED PEACHES TO BE SCARCE

Owing to the fact that the peach crop is short and that the government has taken nearly all supplies of the dried stock from California interests, the civilian population will have little to purchase.

COUNTRY MEAT PRICES HOLDING

Rather steady tone is again showing in the market for country killed meats. Veals are holding well at 21c for best lightweights while hogs are held around 25c a pound. Few mutton are arriving.

PUMPKINS ARE NOW ON MARKET

With the first real fall weather of the season, arrivals of pumpkins are shown in the local wholesale trade. The crop is reported as an average one with most sales at 1½c a pound.

BRIEF NOTES OF PRODUCE TRADE

Chicken trade steady at unchanged prices.

Butter and cheese markets continue firm.

More alligator pears arriving, with sales at $4.50 dozen.

Ground cherries in bigger supply around $1.50 box.

Fancy Salway peaches are offering from The Dalles at former prices.

WEATHER NOTICE FOR SHIPPERS

Weather bureau advises:

Protect shipments during the next 36 hours against the following maximum temperature; going north, 65 degrees; northeast over S., P. & S. R. R., 75 degrees; east to Baker, 75 degrees, and south to Ashland, 80 degrees. Maximum temperature at Portland tomorrow about 70 degrees.

JOBBING PRICES IN PORTLAND

These are the prices retailers pay wholesalers, except as otherwise noted:

Dairy Products

BUTTER—Selling price: Creamery prints in parchment wrappers, extras, 62c; prime firsts, 57@58c; firsts, 56c; in 30-lb. boxes, ½c less; 60-lb. boxes, 1c less; cubes, 1c less; cartons, 1c additional; dairy, 40c lb.; jobbing price, cubes, extras, 58c; prime firsts, 55@56c.

BUTTERFAT—Portland delivery basis, No. 1 sour cream, 65c.

CHEESE—Selling price: Tillamook, fresh Oregon, fancy full cream triplets, 33c per lb.; Young America, 34c. Price to jobbers, f. o. b. Tillamook, triplets, 30c; Young America, 31c; Coos Bay cheese, selling price, triplets, 30c; Young America, 31c. Price to jobbers, f. o. b. Myrtle Point, triplets, 28c; Young America and Half Moons, 29½c; brick, 36@37c; Limburger, 30@32c; block Swiss, 46@47c per lb.

EGGS—Selling price, candled, 53@54c doz. Buying price, 40@50c doz.; selling price, selected, 54@55c; selected, in cartons, 56c.

EGGS—Public market retail selling price, 59c per doz.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 26@27c per lb.; light fowls, 25c lb.; broilers, 27@30c; old roosters, 18c; stags, 18c; squabs, $3 doz.; ducks, 25@30c; pigeons, $1.50@2 doz.

Fresh Vegetables and Fruit

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, $9@10 per box; bananas, 8c lb.; lemons, $6@7.75; watermelons, 2½c per lb.; pluma, 2@3c per lb.

PEACHES—Per box, $1.50@1.75.

APPLES—Various varieties, 75c@$2 per box.

GRAPES—Per crate, black, $2.50; Malagas, crates, $1.75; lugs, 7c lb.; Cornichons, crates, $2.50; Tokays, $2.25 crate; Muscats, $1.50; Concords, 20@25c basket.

PEARS—Bartletts, $1.50@1.75 per box.

DRIED FRUITS—Dates, Dromedary, $5.50; Fards, $4.50 box; raisins, three crown, loose Muscatel, 10c lb. in 50-lb. boxes; figs, $3.50 per box for 70-oz. packages.

ONIONS—Selling price to retailer: Oregon, $2.75; garlic, 14@15c lb.; green onions, 35@45c dozen bunches.

POTATOES — Selling price, $2.50@3.25 cwt.; buying price for fancy large size, $2.25; ordinary, $1.50@2.00 per cental; sweets, 5½@6c lb.

CANTALOUPES — Pony, $1.75; Standard, $2.25.

VEGETABLES—New turnips, 65c per doz. bunches; carrots, $2 a sack; beets, $2.25@2.50 a sack; parsnips, $1.25 per sack; cabbage, 2½c; peppers, 6@8c lb.; head lettuce, $2; celery, 90c@$1 doz.; artichokes, $1@1.25 per dozen; cucumbers, 75c per box; tomatoes, 30@35c per box; eggplant, 8c lb.; cauliflower, $2.25 doz.; horseradish, 12½c per lb.; string beans, (—) per lb.; green corn, $1@1.25 sack.

Meat, Fish and Provisions

COUNTRY MEATS—Selling price: Country killed best hogs, 25c pound; ordinary, 23@24c; best veal, 21c; ordinary veal, 18@19c lb.; rough heavy, 11@16c per lb.; lamb, 20@23c lb.; mutton, 14@16c lb.; beef, 9@11½c.

SMOKED MEATS — Hams, 35½@37½c; breakfast bacon, 36@51c; picnics, 26c; cottage roll, 35c; short clears, 30@35c; Oregon esports, smoked, 32c per lb.

PACKERS' MEATS—Fancy steer beef, 20@22c; fancy cow beef, 15@17c; fresh spring lamb, 24@26c; best yearlings, 20@22c; ewes, 18@20c; hogs, 25c.

LARD—Kettle rendered (—); standard, 29c per lb.; lard compound, 23½c.

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Army Gets Supply Of Rice; Civilians Must Wait Turns

Government Notifies Mills That Requirements Must Be Filled Before Others.

A famine in rice supplies may be shown in the country within the next few weeks, as a result of the notification by the government that the mills of Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas sell nothing to the civilian trade, or make any deliveries on old contracts until such time as the requirements of the army and navy are filled.

The government has taken over all supplies of Blue Rose and head rice until that period.

Present stocks of rice in the hands of local wholesalers are rather scant, many of them having depended, for the future requirements upon the supplies they had purchased on contract and expected delivery.

The present shortage in the rice market is due somewhat to the poor weather conditions, which recently delayed delivery.

No change in the price of stocks now held by local wholesalers is shown.

Corn and Oats Off In the Early Trade

Chicago, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—Corn had a weak undertone at the opening of the market today, with little support in sight. Prices were below the level of yesterday, and receded further fractionally in all deliveries.

Oats, which recently has shown a tendency to stand on its own, failed today to hold its strength, and, in sympathy with corn, had a fractional decline. Buying was insufficient to check the down turn.

Provisions were lower and dull.

Chicago range by United Press:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
CORN				
October	146⅝	147½	145¾	147⅜
November	144⅛	145⅜	143⅜	145¼
OATS				
September	73⅛	73¼	72⅞	73
October	73½	73⅝	73½	73⅝
November	74⅝	74⅝	74¼	74⅝
PORK				
September	....	....	....	4055
October	4125	4125	4100	4100
November	4150	4160	4120	4120
LARD				
September	....	....	....	2670
October	2647	2650	2637	2650
November	2587	2595	2585	2595
RIBS				
September	....	....	....	2345
October	2350	2355	2337	2345
November	2337	2337	2320	2325

Traders Do Not Now Fear Government

New York, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—A much better feeling prevailed over the question of price fixing, and was reflected in a broadening cotton market and steadier undertone today.

After opening 14 points lower to 14 points higher, the market steadily advanced, and at the end of the first quarter of an hour active positions were 50 to 77 points over last night's close, with a good business, partly for outside accounts.

Liquidation of October contracts in anticipation of first notice day tomorrow gave a weak tone to the entire cotton market in the late dealings, all positions breaking sharply to below the previous close.

The market closed easy at a net decline of 30 to 49 points.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	3155	3220	3100	3100
February	....	....	....	3100
March	3155	3210	3104	3100
April	....	....	....	3100
May	3145	3200	3100	3100
August	....	....	....	3060
October	3200	3260	3150	3150
November	....	....	....	3120
December	3150	3231	3130	3120

DAIRY PRODUCE ON THE COAST

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, Sept. 24.—(U. P.)—Butter—Extras, 61½c; prime firsts, 56c.

Eggs—Extras, 61½c; extra pullets, 54½c.

Cheese—California flats, fancy, 30½c.

Seattle Market

Seattle, Sept. 24.—(U. P.)—Butter—Local city creamery, per lb., in cartons, 61c; ditto parchment wrapped, 59c; cubes, 56@59c.

Eggs—Fancy ranch, 61@63c; pullets, 52@54c.

Cheese—Washington Young America, 29@30c. Washington triplets, 28@29c; Oregon Young America, 29@30c; Oregon triplets, 28@29c.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—California creamery extras, 58c.

Eggs—Extras, 55c; case count, 54c; pullets, 50c.

Money and Exchange

New York, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—Call money on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange today ruled at 6 per cent; high, 6 per cent; low, 6 per cent. Time money was firm. Rates were 6 per cent.

The market for prime mercantile paper was steady. Call money in London today was 3 per cent.

Sterling exchange was quiet, with business in bankers' bills at $4.75 7-16 for demand, $4.73 for 60 day bills, and $4.71 for 90 day bills.

OYSTERS—Olympia, gallon, $4.50; canned eastern, 75c can, $9 doz. cans.

FRESH FISH—Dressed flounders, 6@7c; salmon, Chinook, 17@18½c; steelhead, 15@16c; perch, 8c; soles, 8c; salmon trout, 18@20c; halibut, 18c; black cod, 11@12c; herring, 6c; smelt, 9@10c; clams, hard shell, 6c per lb., $4 per box; crabs, (—) per dozen; shad, (—) lb.

Groceries

SUGAR—Cube, $9.70½; powdered, $8.09½; fruit or berry, $8.03; D yellow, $7.65; granulated, $8.05; beet, $7.95; extra C, $7.70; golden C, $7.55.

HONEY—New, $7 per case.

RICE—Japan, style No. 1, 9¾@10c; New Orleans head, 11½@11¾c; blue rose, 10⅝@11c per lb.

SALT—Coarse half ground, 100s, $16 per ton; 50s, $17.25; table dairy, 50s, $22.60; bales, $3.10@5.55; fancy table and dairy, $30.25; lump rock, $22 per ton.

BEANS—California (sales by jobbers): Small white, 13½c; large white, 12c; pink, 9c lb.; Limas, 14½c; bayou, 9¾c; red, 10c. Oregon beans (buying price) White, machine cleaned, 8½@9c; hand picked, 9½@10c.

CANNED MILK—Carnation, $6.75; Borden, $6.65; Aster, $6.65; Eagle, $9.60; Libby, $6.90; Yoho, $6.65; Holly, $6.65 per case.

COFFEE—Roasted, 15½@36c, in sacks or drums.

SODA CRACKERS—Bulk, 17c per lb.

NUTS—Budded walnuts, 30@31c lb.; almonds, 19½@20c; filberts, 27½c, in sack lots; peanuts, 18c; pecans, 17c; Brazil, 20c.

Hogs, Wool and Hides

HOPS—Nominal, 1917 crop, 20c lb.

HIDES—No. 1 salted, 30 lbs. and up, 15c; No. 2 salted, 30 lbs and up, 14c; No. 1 green, 30 lbs. and up, 12c; No. 2 green, 30 lbs. and up, 11c; No. 1 salted bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 12c; No. 2 salted bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 11c; No. 1 green bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 10c; No. 2 green bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 9c; No. 1 green or salted calf skins, up to 15 lbs., 32@35c; No. 2 green or salted calf skins, up to 15 lbs., 30½c; No. 1 green or salted kip skins, 15 to 30 lbs., 16c; No. 2 green or salted kip skins, 15 to 30 lbs., 14½c; dry flint, 7 lbs. and up, 30c; dry flint calf, under 7 lbs., 40c; dry salt, 7 lbs. and up, 24c; dry salt calf, under 7 lbs., 34c; dry cull or calf, ½ price; dry salt stags, or bulls, 14c; dry cull stags or bulls, ½ price; dry horse, according to size and take off, each, $1.50@2.50; salted horse, according to size and take off, each, $2@5; dry long wool pelts, lb., 40c; dry short wool pelts, per lb., 25@30c; salted long wool lamb pelts, August take off, each, $2.50@3.50; salted sheep pelts, August take off, each, $2@3; dry sheep shearlings, each, 25@50c; salted sheep shearlings, each, 50@75c; dry long hair, goat skins, per lb., 35c; dry short hair goat skins, each, 50c@$1; horse hair, tail, 30c; horse hair, mane, 15c.

(Prices quoted above are per pound, except where otherwise designated.)

WOOL—Mohair, long staple, 60c; mohair, short staple, 40c; mohair, Murry, 30c; No. 1 tallow, 13½c; No. 2 tallow, 12½c; No. 1 grease, 10c; No. 2 grease, 9c.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK — Gross weights, 12½c.

Ropes, Paints, Oils

ROPE—Sisal, dark, 24c; white, 23½c lb.; standard Manila, 32½c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls., $2.01 gallon; kettle boiled, bbls., $2.03; raw, cases, $2.11; boiled, cases, $2.13 gallon.

COAL OIL—Water white, in drums or iron bbls., 10c gal.; cases, 20c gal.

GASOLINE—Iron bbls., 21½c cases, 31½c; engine distillate, iron bbls., 13c; cases, 23c.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 13½c lb.; 500 lbs., 13¾c.

TURPENTINE—Tanks, 84c; cases, 94c; 10 case lots, 1c less.

WIRE NAILS—Basis price, $5.85.

CUTS OFF PRICE ON WHEAT TOO GREAT, IS CRY FROM PRODUCERS

Say Public Is Misinformed as to Actual Quotation That Growers Receive — Charges Against Supply Takes Much of Price.

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Cars Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Tues.	27	...	...	1	1
Year ago	3	...	4	8	7
Season to date	2917	286	364	199	1039
Year ago	617	56	187	322	462
Tacoma, Mon.	66	...	...	3	22
Year ago	48	3	...	5	28
Season to date	1505	13	...	62	373
Year ago	502	21	...	62	519
Seattle, Mon.	56	...	1	9	36
Year ago	38	9	7	36	31
Season to date	1553	19	443	166	801
Year ago	420	59	376	208	1413

That there is a misunderstanding among the general public as to the actual price that wheat growers of the Pacific Northwest receive for their grain is reported from many places in the Pacific Northwest.

George H. McCroskey, a very prominent wheat grower of the Palouse country, says that he finds that people as a whole are woefully misinformed as to the price farmers are receiving for their wheat. "They read that the government has fixed the price for wheat at $2.20, and they labor under the misapprehension that the farmer receives this sum.

"To show that he gets nothing like the Coast price," he says, "I give the figures printed below. These figures are correct, for they are reductions that I received for some wheat sold this fall in the Palouse country.

"These figures are for bulk wheat. Sacked wheat is 9 cents a bushel higher. The best price I received for any of my sacked wheat was $2.10 for 249 sacks of choice Marquis wheat. Most of my crop gave returns of about $1.95, sacked.

"The government has fixed $2.20 on the Coast for wheat grading No. 1. Very little of this grade is grown in the Inland Empire, it being the hard wheat of the Dakotas. I doubt if one bushel in 1000 in this section will grade No. 1. At the very outset the farmer is docked 7 cents a bushel for wheat that grades No. 2, and then if the buyer thinks that it is No. 3, an additional penalty of 3 cents is added. The flour milled from this wheat, however, is sold as grade No. 1.

"Then the freight rate of 13½ cents a bushel is deducted. It makes no difference if the wheat is bought for a Spokane mill, to which the freight charge will be only a few cents a bushel, the farmer is assessed the full freight charge to the Coast, of 13½ cents.

"Then you are charged 2 cents for buying. If the farmer sells direct to the mill that is one of the reductions that is made in settlement. Then follows a charge of 2 cents a bushel for loading, and in addition to this another charge of 10 cents a ton a month is made for any wheat remaining in storage over 30 days.

"A buyer generally has no difficulty in discovering some small damage in sacks, and this, with the insurance and interest, all three items being combined in one charge, amounts to another cent and a half.

"The buyer will smell of the wheat and declare that there is evidence of smut, although the Palouse district has been remarkably free from this trouble this year. This alleged smut imposes a penalty of 2 cents a bushel. On top of this he will discover that there is dirt and chaff in the product, and this entails another cut of 2 cents.

"So instead of getting $2.20 a bushel, as the farmer hoped for and is entitled to, he gets about $1.88 for his bulk wheat.

"When you receive a statement from the buyer showing how much he has whittled you down and you voice some complaint he forthwith pulls out the government regulations and shows that he is entitled to make all of these charges.

"When the farmer consigns his wheat to the government on the Coast he fares better in some cases and in some cases worse. On consignment he runs up against the demurrage charges of $5 a day for unloaded cars. This eats into the profits. Some farmers have been compelled to buy sacks on the Coast and sack their shipment when they have been unable to get their cars unloaded and the demurrage penalty is in operation. The government buyers on the Coast make the same kind of reductions.

"It is peculiar that no two buyers make exactly the same reductions, although they all make plenty. They all seem to grade the wheat differently. I took the same wheat to a number of buyers, and the price ranged from $1.75 to $1.95½ a bushel. They are the judges, and the only thing one can do is to accept their prices. The woods are full of buyers, and with the wide range of prices offered it has been demonstrated that it is best to make the rounds of all before concluding a deal.

"While the wheat price has been fixed by the government, most of the commodities that enter into the expense have not. The cost of threshing this year ran as high as 20 cents in many instances. Sacks cost from 26 to 28 cents each. Sacking twine costs from $1 to $1.25 a pound, and binding twine from 22 to 25 cents a pound. Including the expense of boarding and rooming, shockers cost the farmers as high as $7 a day. Then, on top of all this expense the shortest crop in years was obtained."

FLOUR—Selling prices: Family wheat flour, $10.25; barley flour, $11; Willamette valley, (—); local standard, $10; bakers' local, $9.80@10; Montana spring wheat, patent, $9.80@10; rye flour, $12.50; oat flour, $11.20; corn flour, $11.50@14 per barrel. Price for city deliveries in five-barrel lots.

HAY—Buying price, new crop: Willamette timothy, fancy, $26@27; Eastern Oregon-Washington fancy timothy, $33; alfalfa, $28; valley vetch, $28; cheat, (—); clover, $26@27; grain, $26 per ton.

GRAIN SACKS—Nominal. No. 1 Calcutta, 25¼@26c in car lots; less amounts higher.

MILLSTUFFS—Mixed feed, bulk, $24.44; at mills, sacked, $30.65.

ROLLED OATS—Per barrel, $11.20.

ROLLED BARLEY—Per ton, $60.

CORN—Whole, $77; cracked, $79 ton.

Merchants' Exchange September bids:

	Tues.	Mon.	Sat.	Fri.	Thurs.	Wed.	Year ago
OATS							
Feed	6000	6050	6050	6050	6050	6050	6000
BARLEY							
Feed	4900	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000	5100
"A"	5200	5200	5200	5200	5200	5200	5300

October delivery:

OATS

No. 2 feed 6000

BARLEY

Feed 4950
"A" 5200

Eastern oats and corn in bulk:

Oats, No. 3 white 5300
Oats, 38-lb. clipped, white 5450
Corn, No. 3 yellow 6750
Corn, No. 3 mixed 6700

October delivery:

Oats, No. 3 5300
Oats, clipped 5450
Corn, yellow 6750
Corn, mixed 6600

Liverpool Cotton Steady

Liverpool, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—Cotton futures opened quiet today. Spot, quiet, steady. Sales 2000 bales.

American middlings, fair, 2522; good middlings, 2454; middlings, 2391; low middlings, 2286; good ordinary, 2134; ordinary, 2081.

New York Sugar and Coffee

New York, Sept. 24.—(U. P.)—Coffee—Spot No. 7 Rio, 9¾c; No. 4 Santos, 13¾c.

Sugar—Centrifugal, $6.05.

POTATOES ALL ALONG THE COAST

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, Sept. 24.—(U. P.)—Onions—Per cental—Australian browns, $1.40@1.50; wet stock lower.

Potatoes, per cental—Fancy large selected Deltas, $2.10@2.40, with one mark as high as $2.65; ditto shipping stock, $1.75@2; Salinas, $3.00.

Seattle Market

Seattle, Sept. 24.—(U. P.)—Potatoes—Local, per cwt., $2.50@3; Washington Netted Gems, per cwt., $3.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes—Northern Burbanks, $3.00@3.10; fancy, $3.10@3.20; White Rose, $1.00@1.10.

Chicago Dairy Produce

Chicago, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Receipts 11,210 tubs. Creamery extras, 59½c; firsts, 56½@59c; packing stock, 39½@40c.

Eggs—Receipts 11,985 cases. Current receipts, 39½@43c; ordinary firsts, 41½@42½c; firsts, 43½@44c; extra, 49@50c; checks, 28@32c; dirties, 33@36c.

Some Believe Spud Price Will Soon Be Showing a Decline

Recent Awarding of Contracts for Camp Lewis Is Indication—No Low Values.

The recent awarding by the government of the contract to supply Camp Lewis with potatoes at $1.52½ per cental delivered there, indicates that some of the trade at least feels that the present level of values will be somewhat reduced before long. This contract calls for special sacks that cost approximately 15c each and the freight rate from the place of growth is about 7c per cental.

While the present condition of the potato trade here is steady and fancy stock of large size is finding bids of $2.25 generally to growers for delivery here, smaller sizes are selling from $1.75 up.

That the potato market is not likely to strike a really low level this season is the general opinion of the trade. While it is true that the late crop of the Pacific Northwest is rather favorable, both as regards size and quality, the total output for the season was small all along the Coast.

Jobbers continue to ask former values for supplies.

First Trading in Stocks at Advance; Erratic Tone Later

CLOSING IS IRREGULAR

New York, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—The stock market was irregular in the late dealings and toward the close today. Steel common was again under pressure, but closed at 111¼. Baldwin was finally 89⅞; American Sumatra 110¼ and Union Pacific 124⅜.

Marine preferred, after rallying to 103, was finally 102½. American Steel Foundry moved up nearly 3 points, closing at 84¾, and Virginia-Carolina Chemical moved up 1 point, closing at 65.

Distillers Securities was finally 52¾, and Mexican Petroleum 108⅞.

Sales, 292,000 shares; bonds, $9,155,000.

New York, Sept. 24.—(I. N. S.)—Nearly everything traded in during the first 15 minutes of the stock market made substantial gains, about the only exception to the general display of strength being American Sumatra, which fell 1 point to 110⅜. Public utilities stocks were again active and strong because of the expected financial relief that will be obtained from the new corporation announcement which was made yesterday.

Peoples Gas continued its upward movement, making a gain of 1⅝ to 50⅝. Consolidated Gas advanced 1¼ to 89 and Brooklyn Rapid Transit moved up ¾ to 40⅝. Steel common made a gain of ⅝ to 111⅝ and other steel industrials were also in demand with Baldwin attracting attention by moving up 1¼ to 89⅝.

Studebaker continued its upward movement, advancing 1⅝ to 50½.

There was also aggressive buying also in Mexican Petroleum which rose 1⅝ to 107⅝. Marine preferred advanced ½ to 104¼.

Market movements were irregular. Steel common advanced ½ to 111⅞ and then dropped to 111, while Baldwin, after moving up 1¼ to 89⅞ reacted to 89 and rallied again to 89½.

American Sumatra was weak, falling 3¼ to 108½. Industrial Alcohol dropped to 114¼ while Distillers fell 1⅝ to 52¼.

Studebaker, after selling up to 50⅛ declined to 49⅛. Railroad stocks were quiet with the most important movement in St. Paul, which yielded ½ to 48.

After showing an irregular tone from the greater part of the day the market in midafternoon turned steady. Steel common, after selling down 1⅛ to 111⅛, rallied to 111⅝ and Distillers moved up from 52¼ to 53.

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DESCRIPTION	Open	High	Low	Close
Alaska Gold	3¼	3¼	3⅛	3⅛
Allis Chalmers, c.	29½	29½	29½	29½
Am. Beet Sugar	....	....	....	68⅝
Am. Can, c.	44	45⅛	44	45
Am. Car F., c.	86½	86½	85½	86
Am. Cotton Oil, c.	42¾	42¾	42	42
Am. Linseed, c.	40⅞	40⅞	40½	40½
Am. Locomotive, c.	65⅝	67	65⅝	66¼
Am. Smelter, c.	78⅝	78⅝	78	78⅝
Am. Sugar, c.	107⅛	107⅝	107⅛	107⅛
Am. Tel. & Tel.	97¼	98⅛	97	97½
Am. Woolen, c.	54½	55¼	54½	55¼
Anaconda Min. Co.	68⅝	68⅝	68	68⅝
Atchison, c.	85½	85⅝	85⅝	85
Baldwin Loco., c.	89¼	90⅛	88⅝	89⅝
B. & O., c.	54	54	54	54
Bethlehem Steel, B	82½	82½	81⅞	82⅛
Brook. Rapid T., c.	40¼	40⅝	40¼	40
Canadian Pacific	163	163	163	162½
Central Leather, c.	68⅝	70⅝	68¼	70¼
Ches. & Ohio	....	....	....	57⅛
Chi., M. & St. P.	48½	48½	48	48¼
Chi. & N. W., c.	94	....	....	94½
Chino Copper	39⅝	40	39½	39¼
Colo. F. & I., c.	47	47	46¼	46½
Cons. Gas	88¼	89⅝	88¼	89
Corn Products, c.	43⅝	43⅝	43	43¼
Crucible Steel, c.	65½	65½	64⅝	64⅝
D. & R. G., c.	....	....	....	4¼
Distillers	53⅝	53⅝	52¼	52½
Erie, c.	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝	15¼
General Electric	145½	147	145½	146
General Motors	120	120	119	119
Goodrich Rubber	46½	47¼	46½	46¼
Gt. Nor. pfd	90¼	90¼	90	89⅝
Greene-Can.	46	46	45½	45½
Ice Securities	29	29	29	28⅝
Illinois Central	95⅝	96	95⅝	96
Industrial Alcohol	117½	117½	114	114⅝
Inspiration	54	54¼	53⅝	54
Int. Mer. Marine	27	27	27	26⅝
Lackawanna Steel	82	82¼	82	82
Lehigh Valley	....	....	....	59
Louisville & Wash.	....	....	....	115
Maxwell Motors, c.	28⅝	28⅝	28½	28
Mexican Petroleum	107¼	107⅝	106⅝	106⅝
Miami Copper	28	28	27⅝	27⅝
Midvale Steel	52	52	51⅞	51⅞
M., K. & T., c.	....	....	....	5⅝
Missouri Pacific	23⅞	23⅞	23⅞	23⅝
National Lead	....	....	....	57
Nevada Con.	20¼	20¼	20¼	20¼
N. Y. Air Brake	....	....	....	120
N. Y. Central	73¼	73¼	73¼	73¼
N. Y. Ont. & W.	....	....	....	20¼
Norfolk & W., c.	103⅝	103⅝	103⅝	103½
Northern Pacific	88¼	89	88½	89
Pa. Ry.	44	44	43⅝	43⅝
Peoples Gas	50½	50⅝	47½	47½
Pressed Steel Car, c	71	71¼	71	71
Ray Cons. Copper	23¼	23¼	23⅝	23⅝
Ry. Steel Springs	67⅝	68½	67	67⅝
Reading	87⅝	89⅝	88½	89⅝
Rep. Iron & St. c	91⅝	91⅝	91¼	91½
Rock Island	....	....	....	25⅛
Sears Roe. & Co.	141½	141½	141½	140
Slosson, c.	15¼	15¼	15¼	15¼
Studebaker, c.	49⅝	50⅛	49	49
Southern Pacific	86⅝	87	86⅝	86½
Southern Ry. c.	26¼	26⅝	26½	26⅝
Swift	104⅝	104⅝	104⅝	104⅝
Texas Oil	164⅝	165	163½	164
Tobacco Products	66	66½	66	66
Union Pacific c.	124¼	124⅝	124	124¼
U. S. Rubber c.	60¼	60⅝	60	60
U. S. Steel c.	111⅝	111⅞	110⅞	111⅛
Utah Copper	82	82	82	82
Virginia Chem. c.	53⅝	55½	53⅝	55¼
W. U. Telegraph	....	....	....	81¼
Westinghouse Elec.	43¼	43⅝	43	43¼
Willys Overland	20½	20½	20¼	20¼
Woolworth	....	....	....	111½

Sales 292,000.

New York Bond Market

Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co., Board of Trade Building.

	Bid	Ask
Atchison General, 4s	79⅝	79¾
Baltimore & Ohio Gold, 4s	73¼	73½
Bethlehem Steel Ref., 5s	88½	89
Central Pacific 1st, 4s	76	76¼
C. B. & Q. Col., 4s	93⅝	93⅝
St. Paul General, 4½s	78½	79
Chicago Northwestern General, 4s	82½	83¼
L. & N. Unl., 4s	81	81⅝
New York Ry., 5s	16½	19¼
Northern Pacific P. L., 4s	80	80½
Reading General, 4s	80⅝	80¾
Union Pacific 1st, 4s	84½	85¼
U. S. Steel, 5s	97¼	97½
Union Pacific, 1st Ref., 5s	78	78¼
Southern Pacific Conv. 5s	90¾	91
Southern Pacific Conv. 4s	77	78
Pennsylvania Conv., 4½s	93	94⅝
Pennsylvania 1st., 4½s	86¾	86⅞
Chesapeake & Ohio Conv., 5s	79½	79⅝
Oregon Short Line, 4s	81¼	83⅝

Foreign Bond Market

Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co., Board of Trade building.

	Bid.	Ask.
A. F. 5s, Oct. 1920	94⅝	94⅞
U. K. 5½s, Nov. 1919	98⅝	99¼
U. K. 5½s, Feb. 1919	99½	99⅝
U. K. 5½s, Nov. 1921	96¼	97
A. F. Sec. 5s, Aug. 1919	97⅛	98
Rep. France 5s, 1931	145	155
Paris 6s, Oct. 1921	95⅝	96⅝
Marseilles 6s, Nov. 1919	97½	98½
Russia Extn. 5½s, 1921	53	56
Russian Intl. 5½s, 1926	116	120
Dom. 5s, Aug. 1919	97⅛	97⅝
Dom. 5s, Apr. 1921	95	96
Dom. 5s, Apr. 1931	94	95
Rep. France 5s, 1926	146½	148
Argentine 6s, May 1920	95⅝	97
China 6s, 1919	93	98
Dom. Canada 5s, 1937	91¼	93

LIVESTOCK TRADING IS ON A STEADY BASIS AT NORTH PORTLAND

Run Is Very Small Overnight—No Price Changes for Day—Killers Try to Bear Down Hogs but Fail—Good Cattle Are in Demand.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Tuesday	252	152	7	86
Monday	1735	1075	134	1029
Saturday	294	67