ERRATIC TONE IN GRAIN IS CAUSING BUYERS TO HOLD OFF

BUTTER MARKET JUMPS 2 CENTS

Wholesale price of butter and butter-fat advanced 2 cents in Portland Monday morning. The scarcity of fancy butter and the fact that there is no surplus on hand is given as the reason. The market is very firm at the new price. Portland was the first coast market to advance this week, but telegraphic information from Seattle indicates that the market there will probably take a similar move shortly. The California markets are also very firm.

The hot weather has caused a poor condition in the egg market. Arrivals are of very poor quality, some dealers having to throw away as high as three dozen eggs to a case. Poultrymen are keeping their stock on hand too long, apparently hoping to reap the benefit of the gradually advancing price, but the loss on each case is bad egg more than offsets the slight advance in price. As a result of this condition there is an unusually wide margin between buying and selling price of eggs, which are sold on the case count basis. Conditions have been so bad that some dealers are now buying on the loss-off basis, refusing to handle any case count stuff.

Receipts have been very light in the poultry market, causing a firmer tone. Market is exceptionally good for springs. Prices are steady to firm. Farmers are too busy harvesting to ship any poultry to market.

DRESSED MEAT MARKET IS FIRM

Shortage of receipts is responsible for a firm tone in the dressed veal and hog markets. Farmers apparently do not care to take chances on shipping much dressed stock to market at this season of the year, when losses due to heat are so prevalent.

HALIBUT PRICE REMAINS HIGH

There is no change in halibut prices as the weather is still foggy all along the coast. This makes it almost impossible for fishermen to go out. Halibut will probably continue scarce and high priced until a good heavy rain sets in and clears off the atmosphere. Run of fancy Chinook salmon has improved. Silver salmon are very scarce.

CANTALOUPE MARKET IMPROVED

Slight improvement was shown Monday in the cantaloupe market. When the price dropped to such low levels as prevailed in Portland last week, the California growers simply refused to ship anything more. This has enabled the merchants to clean up the oversupply the market had on hand.

BRIEF NOTES OF PRODUCE TRADE

Car of California peaches in good condition received by Pacific Fruit & Produce company.

Tomatoes from The Dalles and White Salmon continue to arrive in liberal quantities. Season one of longest on record.

Season is about over for berries.

With increase in freight rates after next week, price of both oranges and lemons will be higher. Lemons are very scarce.

Seedless grapes about cleaned up.

WEATHER NOTICE FOR SHIPPERS

Weather bureau advises: Protect shipments during the next 36 hours against the following maximum temperatures: Going north, 75 degrees; northeast over the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, 90 degrees; east to Baker, 90 degrees, and south to Ashland, 94 degrees. Maximum temperature at Portland tomorrow, about 80 degrees.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN PORTLAND

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

Dairy Products

BUTTER—Selling price, box lots: Creamery prime, parchment wrapped, 61c lb.; prime firsts, 59c lb.; firsts, 58c lb.; smaller lots at an advance. Jobbing prices: Cube extras, 56c; firsts, 54c.

BUTTERFAT—Portland delivery basis, 64c; country stations, 59@60c.

OLEOMARGARIN—best brands, 40c; ordinary, 33½c; bakers, 33c; nutmargarine, 1-lb. cartons, 32c per lb.

CHEESE—Selling price: Tillamook, fresh Oregon, fancy triplets, 32@33c per lb.; Young America, 34@35c. Prices to jobbers f. o. b. Tillamook: Triplets, 29c; Young America, 30c. Selling prices: Cream brick, 40@42c. Selling price: Block Swiss, 48@49c; limburger, 40@42c per lb.

EGGS — Buying price: Current receipts, 47@50c; candled, selling price, 53@55c; select, 58c per dozen.

LIVE POULTRY—Selling price: Heavy hens, 28c; light hens, 18@20c; springs, 27@31c; old roosters, 19c per lb.; turkeys, live, (—); ducks, 30@35c lb.

Fresh Vegetables and Fruit

FRESH FRUIT—Oranges, $5.75@7.50 per box; bananas, 11@12c lb.; lemons, $4.50@5.50 per crate; grapefruit, $5.50; cantaloupes, California Standard, $1.75@2.25; pony, $1.25@1.50; flat, 6@75c; Malaga grapes, $3.50 per crate; seedless grapes, $3.25; peaches $2.00@2.25 box; peach plums, $1.00@1.50 crate; pears, $4.50@5.00.

APPLES—New, $1.00@1.50.

DRIED FRUIT—Dates, Bromedaries, $7.50; Fards, $4.00 per box; figs, $2.50@5.00 box.

ONIONS—Selling price to retailers: New Walla Walla, $1.50@1.75; garlic, 25c per lb.; green onions, 35@40c dozen bunches; onion sets, 17@18c lb.

POTATOES—Selling price: Oregon fancy, 2.25@2.75.

BERRIES—Blackberries, $3.00@3.50 crate.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $3.50 sack; carrots, $4.00 sack; beets, 60c dozen bunches; lettuce, $1.75 crate; cucumbers, 25@50c box; tomatoes, 75c@$1.00; egg plant, 7c per lb.; broccoli, (—); bell peppers, 12½c; celery, $1.25 dozen; string beans, 3c per lb.; green corn, $1.00@1.50 sack.

Meats and Provisions

COUNTRY MEATS—Selling price: Country hens, 23@24c lb. for top lots; broilers; heavy, 18c; veal, 23½c; heavy veal, 16c lb.

SMOKED MEATS—Ham, 42@46c per lb.; breakfast bacon, 42@58c; picnics, 25c per lb.; cottage roll, 35c per lb.

LARD—Kettle rendered, 23c lb.; tierce basis, compound, 20c.

Fish and Shellfish

FRESH FISH—Salmon, fresh Chinook, 17@18c lb.; halibut, fresh, 22@25c per lb.; sturgeon, (—); blank cod, 10@11c lb.; kippered salmon, $2.50 per 10-lb. basket; kippered cod, $2.85; razor clams, (—); crabs, $2.75@3.75 dozen; ling cod, 6@8c lb.

Groceries

SUGAR—Nominal prices, refinery basis: Cube, $22.10; fruit and berry, $21.35; D yellow, $20.65; granulated, $21.25; extra C, $20.80; golden C, $20.75.

HONEY—New, $7.00@7.50 case.

RICE—Japan (style, No. 1, 11c; New Orleans head (—); Blue Rose, 14¾c per lb.

SALT—Coarse half ground, 100s, $17.25 per ton; 50s, $18.75; table dairy, 50s, $27.25; tales, $3.50@4.00; fancy table and dairy, $30.50; lump rock, $26.50 per ton.

BEANS — Sales by jobbers. Small white, 7½c lb.; large white, 7¾c lb.; pink, 8½c lb.; limas, 12½c; bayou, 11¾c; reds, 10½c; Oregon beans, buying prices, nominal, 5½c lb.

CANNED MILK—Carnation, $6.50; Borden, $6.50; Astor, $6.40; Eagle, $12.35; Libby, $6.50; Mount Vernon, $6.40 per case.

COFFEE — Roasted, 34@48c in sacks or drums.

SODA CRACKERS—In bulk, 20c per lb.

NUTS—Walnuts, 35@40c per lb.; almonds, 38c; filberts, 32c in sack lots; peanuts, 14¾@15c; pecans, 75c; Brazils, 35c.

Rope, Paints, Oils

ROPE—Sisal, dark, 18½c; white, 20c lb.; standard Manila, 26½c.

LINSEED OIL — Raw, bbls., $1.69 gal.; kettle boiled, bbls., $1.71; raw, cases, $1.84; boiled, cases, $1.86 gallon.

COAL OIL—Pearl or water white in drums or iron barrels, 17½c gallon; cases, 30c per gallon.

GASOLINE—Iron barrels, 29@30½c; cases, 41½c; engine distillate, iron barrels, 16c; cases, 16½c.

WHITE LEAD — Ton lots, 15c; 500 lbs., 15½c per lb.

TURPENTINE—Tanks, $2.26; cases, $2.41; 10 case lots, 1c less.

Hops, Wool and Hides

HOPS—Nominal, 1919 crop, 70c pound.

HIDES—Salt hides (all weights), 11c; green hides (all weights), 9c; green or salt calf (under 15 pounds), 20@22c; green or salt kip (15 to 30 lbs.), 12@13c; salt bulls, 8c; green bulls, 7c; dry hides, 20c; dry salt hides, 16c; dry calf (under 7 lbs.), 25c lb.

SALT HORSE HIDES—(Large), $4 each; salt horse hides (medium), $3 each; salt horse hides (small), $2 each.

PELTS—Dry fine long wool pelts, 15c; dry medium long wool pelts, 12c; dry coarse long wool pelts, 10c lb.

SALT PELTS—Salt long wool pelts, $2.00@2.00 each; salt lamb pelts, 50@75c each; salt shearlings, 25@50c each; salt clippers, 15@25c each.

MOHAIR—Long, 25c; short, 15c lb.

TALLOW AND GREASE—No. 1 tallow, 7c; No. 2, 5c.

CASCARA BARK—New peel, 8½c lb.; old peel, 10c per lb.

New York Sugar and Coffee

New York, Aug. 23.—Coffee—No. 7 Rio, 8¾c; No. 4 Santos, 14¾@15c.

Sugar—Centrifugal, steady. Refined, dull. Granulated, $17.10@23.50.

The MARKET BASKET

RETAIL PRICES

The market has been bare of peaches for the past few days. Elbertas from California are about gone for the season. A few cars of Lovells are arriving to fill part of the demand, but they are rather green. Practically no Oregon peaches are coming into the market at present. Regular shipments of Southern Oregon peaches are expected next week. Prices are not expected to go much lower this season. There are no apricots on the market.

Oregon Astrachan and early Transparent apples are about gone for this season. A small supply of green Gravensteins is arriving from Southern Oregon. The market is supplied with plenty of local apples for all cooking needs. Crabapples are also coming in in a more plentiful supply, and it will not be long before this fruit will be ready for canning.

Owing to the light receipts a firm tone is displayed in the poultry and egg markets. The warm weather is having a bad effect on the keeping quality of eggs.

Retail price of green corn still remains high, while the wholesale price shows no change. A wide margin of profit is being made by some retailers.

The following prices rule generally in retail shops for good quality. Some values are fractionally higher and inferior stuff fractionally lower.

Butter—Best creamery, 65@70c.

Eggs—Fresh laid, 60c dozen, fancy fresh, 55c per dozen.

Poultry—Chickens, dressed, 30@40c per lb.

Fish—Salmon, 25c per lb.; halibut, 30c lb.

Flour—Best local patent, $3.20@4.30 per sack, 49 lbs.

Potatoes—Burbanks, 4@5c.

Onions—Dried, 3½@4c.

Strawberries—Oregon, 20c per box.

Raspberries—Local, 20c per box.

Loganberries—Fancy, 15c.

Blackberries—15c per box.

War Reports Cause Grain Price Tumble On Chicago Board

Chicago, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.—Declines in the grain list were led by wheat futures on the Board of Trade today. Pressure was heavy in wheat throughout the session. Local professionals sold freely.

December wheat closed 4½@5¼c lower; March, 7c off. September corn finished unchanged, December 1¾c lower and May 1¼c off. September and December oats closed 1@1¼c lower and the May delivery was 1c off. September rye was 4c lower and December 4¼c off at the close.

December and May corn declined to new low levels on the crop soon after the start this morning on heavy selling by commission houses and wire firms. September showed most resistance for the day and rallied near the close on important buying by elevator interests, due to light receipts and strength in cash corn premiums.

Oats futures were under pressure from the start, closing lower in sympathy with corn.

Provisions closed lower, the break being attributed to weakness in corn.

Chicago, Aug. 23.—(U. P.)—Grain prices tumbled on the Chicago board of trade on the strength of reports that the Russian Bolsheviki were receding before the Poles and have agreed to sign a peace with the Lithuanians.

December wheat fell 5¾ cents at 2.25¾ from the opening, a decline of 6¾ cents as compared with Saturday's close. March wheat was off 4½ cents at $2.28. Other grains were off from 1 to 3 cents.

Chicago, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—With scattered selling and little demand wheat opened 1 to 3 cents lower for December and 2½c off for March. A partial recovery was forced by buying by a local house.

Corn started ½c higher to ¼c lower for September and unchanged to ⅛c higher for December with mixed commission house buying. A setback followed the opening, the market lacking buying support.

With cash houses selling September and a house with an eastern connection selling December, oats opened unchanged to ¼c lower. Trade was light.

Provisions opened quiet and a shade better for lard. Offerings were limited.

Range of Chicago prices furnished by the United Press:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT				
Dec.	231½	232½	225¾	228
March	232½	233½	226	228
CORN				
Sept.	142½	143¾	140¾	142¼
Dec.	121	121¾	117¾	118¾
OATS				
Sept.	66¾	66¾	65½	65¾
Dec.	66¾	66¾	65½	65¾
PORK				
Sept.	2440	2450	2437	2450
Oct.	.....	.....	.....	2560
LARD				
Sept.	1840	1860	1832	1837
Oct.	1875	1900	1862	1872
RIBS				
Sept.	1495	1507	1490	1492
Oct.	1545	1550	1537	1540

California Fruit Man Visits City

William Blohm of Los Angeles, manager of the California branches of the Pacific Fruit & Produce company, arrived in Portland Sunday night and is spending a few days at the local branch on the east side. The trip to Portland is purely for business. Blohm is well known along the local wholesale row, as he was connected with either the Pearson-Page company or the Ryan Fruit company for about 16 years.

AMERICAN LIVESTOCK PRICES

Chicago Hogs $15.75

Chicago, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts, 38,000; market 10@15c lower. Bulk, $14.10@15.50; tops, $15.75; heavyweight, $14.40@15.40; medium weight, $14.75@15.60; light weight, $14.80@15.60; light lights, $14.00@15.40; heavy packing sows, $13.75@14.00; pigs, $12.75@14.50.

Cattle—Receipts, 21,000; choice steers, strong to 25c higher; other cattle steady to 25c lower. Beef steers, choice and prime, $16.25@17.50; medium and good, $12.25@16.25; lightweight $9.00@14.00; good and choice, $14.50@17.25; common and medium; butcher cattle, heifers, $6.00@15.00; cows, $5.75@12.50; bulls, $5.00@11.50; canners and cutters, cows and heifers, $4.00@6.00; canner steers, $4.50@7.00; veal calves, light and lightweight, $14.00@15.00; feeder steers, $7.50@10.75; stocker cows and heifers, $5.00@9.00.

Sheep—Receipts, 28,000; lambs 25c higher, sheep steady. Lambs, 84 lbs. down, $16.75@14.00; lambs, culls and common, $7.00@16.25; yearling wethers, $7.75@9.50; ewes, $5.50@7.35; ewes, culls and common, $2.50@5.00; breeding ewes, $5.75@10.75; feeder lambs, $10.75@12.30.

Omaha Hogs $14.35

Omaha, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts 4000; market steady. Bulk, $13.90@14.25; tops, $14.35.

Cattle—Receipts, 20,000; market for beef steers and butchers 25c to 50c lower, veals weak, stockers and feeders 25c to 70c lower.

Sheep—Receipts, 28,000; market for killing grades strong to 25c higher; feeders, 25c to 50c higher; best early sale fat lambs, $12.25; feeding lambs, $12.45.

Kansas City Hogs $15.15

Kansas City, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Cattle—Receipts, 24,000; market generally steady to 25c lower. Steers, $9.00@15.25; cows, $6.00@11.35; stockers and feeders, $6.00@11.75; calves, $9.00@15.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 8000; market steady to 10c off. Bulk, $14.75@15.10; tops, $15.15; heavies, $14.70@15.10; lights, $14.90@15.75; mediums, $14.80@15.15.

Sheep—Receipts, 8000; market steady to 50c up. Lambs, $11.00@12.50.

Denver Hogs $16.00

Denver, Aug. 23.—(U. P.)—Cattle—Receipts, 1500; market 25c lower. Steers, $9.50@11.00; cows and heifers, $6.50@8.25; stockers and feeders, $3.00@8.50; calves, $9.50@11.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 1000; market 50c lower. Top, $16.00; bulk, $14.60@15.00.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; market steady. Lambs, $10.25@11.25; ewes, $4.50@6.00; feeder lambs, $9.25@10.50.

Seattle Livestock Report

Seattle, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs none.

Cattle receipts 550, market steady. Prime steers $10@10.50, common to good $8.50@7.50, medium to choice $5.25@8.25; bulls $5@6; medium to choice $8.50@9.50, best cows and heifers $6.75@7.25; common to good $4.25@5.25; calves $7@14.

Sheep receipts none.

New York Clearing House

New York, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Clearing house statement:

Sub-treasury credit, $203,604; exchanges, $515,247,087; balances, $96,333,663.

LITTLE ACTIVITY SHOWN IN GRAIN

HOW WHEAT RULES

	Bid.	Gain.	Loss.
Hard white	2.25	..	5c
Soft white	2.28	..	..
White club	2.29	2c	..
Hard winter	2.28	1c	..
Northern spring	2.28	..	..
Red Walla	2.27	2c	..

First sales in the local grain market since the close of the grain corporation office were made Monday. Five thousand bushels of soft white wheat, for September delivery, sold sacked at $2.30, and 15,000 bushels White Club wheat, September delivery, sold for $2.30.

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Mon.	47	...	2	1	9
Year ago	58	3	17	7	10
Season to date	2010	17	120	78	184
Year ago	1067	87	167	139	308
Tacoma, Sat.	7	...	3	2	5
Year ago	13	...	...	...	7
Season to date	377	11	145	10	99
Year ago	436	36	...	54	156
Seattle, Sat.	...	...	...	...	7
Year ago	17	3	3	2	7
Season to date	164	39	58	1	200
Year ago	319	65	69	91	210

Dullness was displayed in the local grain market Monday as a result of the great decline in the Chicago market. No export buyers were on hand. The Chicago market fell to 6¾c below Saturday's close but finally reacted and closed 4½c below the Saturday close, or 3½c below the Monday opening price.

With such erratic conditions governing the market, local millers are not buying any more grain than they actually need. The outside buyers for the larger houses also report that the farmers do not seem to be very anxious to dispose of their crop at the present time. They are devoting all their time to harvesting. Whether or not the price of wheat will gradually be lowered until the former government basis is reached is problematical, but some merchants consider it a possibility.

Opening prices on July, 1921, grain bags were quoted Monday, 11 cents being bid and 12 cents asked. These prices are considerably lower than those which have prevailed throughout the season. The market went to 21½c and is now holding around 13@15c.

FLOUR—Selling prices, mill door: Patent, $12.95; Montana spring wheat, $13.25; Willamette valley brands, $11.20; local straight, $10.80; bakers' local, $12.95@13.25; graham, $10.80; whole wheat, $11.05. Prices for city deliveries 15c extra; suburban, 20c extra.

HAY—Buying prices, nominal: Willamette timothy, fancy $23.00@29.00 per ton; vetch, $23.00; cheat, $29.00; straw, $10.00; clover, $22.00; grain, $23.00; alfalfa, $24.00@25.00 a ton.

GRAIN SACKS—Nominal. New crop delivery: No. 1 Calcutta, 11@13c; domestic, 13c in car lots; less amounts higher.

MILLSTUFFS—Mill run at mill, sacked, $59.00@60.00.

OATS—Per ton, buying price: Feed, $48.00@49.00.

BARLEY—Buying price: Feed, $47.00@48.00; milling, $46.00@47.00; rolled barley, selling price, $57.00@63.00.

SEED—Buying price: Red clover, recleaned, 30c per lb.

Merchants' Exchange bids:

WHEAT	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Hard White	225	225	225
Soft White	223	225	225
White Club	223	225	223
Hard Winter	228	225	225
Nor. Spring	228	225	225
Red Walla	227	223	223
FEED OATS	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
No. 2 White	4850	4850	4850
No. 2 Gray	4550	4550	4500
BARLEY			
Brewing	5100	4900	4850
Standard feed	5000	4800	4800
CORN			
No. 3 Yellow	6400	6250	6200
No. 3 Eastern (bulk)	6325	6225	6475

Lane County Hops Ready to Harvest

Eugene, Aug. 23.—Harvesting preparations are being made in all Lane county hopyards today. The crop is said to be in fine condition this season, some of the yards surpassing past records. There are 340 acres of bearing hops in the county, in addition to about 300 acres of new acreage. It is roughly estimated that the bearing yards will average 1800 pounds to the acre. Some contracts have already been made with English buyers, the top price for 1920 hops being 52 cents, which is 20 cents lower than prices named at the opening of the year.

DAIRY PRODUCTS OF THE COAST

Seattle Market

Seattle, Aug. 23.—(U. P.)—Butter—City creamery bricks, 61c; cubes, 59c.

Eggs—Fresh ranch, 58c; pullets, 47c.

Hens—26@27c.

San Francisco Markets

San Francisco, Aug. 23.—Butter—Extras, 63½c; prime firsts, 60c.

Eggs—Extras, 59c; firsts, 51c; dirties, No. 1, 52½c; extra pullets, 53c; undersized pullets, 37½c.

Cheese — California flats, fancy, 31c; firsts, 27c.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Butter 64c, eggs fresh extras 56c, fresh count 53c, pullets 48c, peewees 31c. Poultry hens 25@32c, broilers 31@34c, fryers 32c.

POTATOES ALONG THE COAST

Seattle Market

Seattle, Aug. 23.—Potatoes—Eastern Washington, Netted Gems, 3@3½c and local 2½@3c.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes, local early and white rose fancy No. 1, mostly $1.35@1.50, No. 2, 75c@$1.00 per lug, No. 1, $3.00@3.25 sacked. Stocktons fancy Burbanks mostly $3.50.

Chicago Produce Market

Chicago, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Receipts 8698; creamery extras 58c, standards 48@53½c, seconds 35@40c.

Eggs—Receipts 6526; miscellaneous 43@45c, ordinary firsts 42½@43½c, firsts 46½@48c, checks 35@35c, dirties 37@38c.

Cheese—Twins, new 24½@25c, daisies 25@25½c, Young Americans 25½@26c, Long Horns 25½@26c, brick 23c.

Live Poultry—Turkeys 40c, chickens 25c, roosters 24½c, springs 28c, geese 23@25c, ducks 32c.

Potatoes—37 cars; Wisconsin, Minnesota, Dakota and Ohios $2.65@2.75.

New York Produce Market

New York, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Market firm; creamery extras 56@58½c; firsts 51½@56½c, higher scoring 58½@60c; state dairy tubs 45@56c.

Cheese—Market firm; 27½@28½c; state, whole milk specials 26@27c, fancy 28½@29½c; Wisconsin, whole milk, fancy Young Americas 16½@17½c; state, skims, specials 15@16c, fair to good 12@14½c.

Eggs—Market firm; nearby white, fancy 70@72c; brown fancy 60@65c; extra 57@58c; firsts 50@53c.

Second Crop of Alfalfa Cut

Ontario, Ore., Aug. 23.—Crop conditions in this vicinity are good. The second cutting of alfalfa is mostly in the stack with a yield practically as good as the first crop. There is a larger acreage of wheat and barley than ever before sown, and the reports from crops already threshed show wheat to be running from 35 to 60 bushels per acre and barley from 40 to 70 bushels; dry land rye is better than usual, owing to showers in May and June, the yield running around 20 bushels per acre. On a tract of 70 acres, part of which was drained only two years ago, N. P. Grover raised 4000 bushels of barley.

New York-London Silver

New York, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Commercial bar silver was quoted as follows today: Domestic, 2¼c lower at 99¾c; foreign, 4¾c lower at 97¾c.

London, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Bar silver was 2¾d lower at 60¾d.

New York Metal Market

New York, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Metal prices: Copper dull. Spot to September offered 19¾.

Lead dull; spot and August offered 9.

Spelter steady; spot and August 790@820; September 795@820; October and November, 795@825.

Minneapolis-Duluth Flax

Duluth, Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—September flax $3.32 bid, October $3.37 sale, November $3.38¾ bid, December $3.34; track $3.40; arrival $3.32.

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 23.—(I. N. S.)—Flax $3.35@3.37; arrive same.

PRICES IRREGULAR AT N. Y. OPENING

New York, Aug. 23.—Prices were generally irregular at the opening of the stock market today. United States Steel was unchanged at 88⅝; United Retail Stores, 68½, off ⅛; Texas company, 47½, off ⅝; Baltimore & Ohio, 38½, up ⅜; Pan-American, 87, unchanged; Reading, 89¾, up ⅜; Southern Pacific, 92⅝, up ⅛; Studebaker, 62¾, up ⅝; Mexican Petroleum, 160, up ¼; Bethlehem, 87¾; up ¼; Vanadium, 73¾, unchanged; Replogle, 82, unchanged.

In the early afternoon the leading speculative issues showed recessions from the day's highs. American Woolen was quiet at 73¾, unchanged from last week's close. Woolen shares have been dull recently despite reports of large earnings.

Reading enjoyed a burst of strength in final dealings, advancing to a high of 91¾ and carrying the general railroad list forward. Southern Pacific moved up 93¾, Baltimore & Ohio to 39¾, St. Louis Southwestern to 21½ and Union Pacific to 118¾. Industrials failed to follow the upward trend but prices in this section held near the day's best.

Prices descended to new lows for the day in mid afternoon, but there was no pressure and the turn over was small. Steel common went to 87¾ and American Locomotive to 93½. Mexican Petroleum sagged to 156¼.

The market closed irregular.

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DESCRIPTION:	Open	High	Low	Close
Alaska Gold	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼
Allis Chalmers	...	...	...	30¾
Am. Agr. Chem.	78	78¼	77¾	77½
Am. Beet Sugar	73½	73½	72½	72½
Am. Can, c	33¾	33¾	33¾	33½
Am. Car Fdy	133	133	131¾	132½
Am. Hide & Lea., c	...	...	...	13½
do preferred	74	74	74	73½
Am. Intl. Corp	72	72	70½	72
Am. Linseed, c	70¾	72	70¾	71½
Am. Woolen	94¾	94¾	94	94¼
Am. Ship & Com.	21½	22	21	22
Am. Smelter, c	54½	55	54¾	54¾
Am. Steel Fdy	...	...	...	35½
Am. Sugar, c	...	...	...	113
Am. Sum. Tobacco	84	84	84	83½
Am. Tel. & Tel	96¼	96¼	95¾	95¾
Am. Woolen, c	78¾	78¾	78¾	78½
Am. Writ. Paper, p	49½	49½	49	48
Anaconda Mining Co.	52	52½	51¾	51¾
Atchison, c	81	81¾	81	81¾
At., Gulf & W. I.	136	136	132	133
Baldwin Loco., c	106¾	106¾	104¾	105¼
B. & O., c	38½	39¾	37¾	39
Beth. Steel B	76¾	76¾	74½	75½
Bosch Magneto	...	...	...	85½
Butte and Superior	18½	20	18¼	19¾
Cal. Packers' Assn.	67½	68	67½	68
Cal. Petroleum, c	...	...	...	25¾
do. pfd.	...	...	...	68
Canadian Pacific	119	120	119	120¼
Central Leather, c	53½	53¾	53¼	53¾
Cerro de Pasco	37¾	38	37¾	37¾
Chandler Motors	86	86	85¼	85¼
Ches. & Ohio	57½	58¾	57¼	58¾
Chi. Gt. Western, c	...	...	...	8
do. pfd.	...	...	...	21¾
C., M. & St. Paul	33	34	33	34
Chi. & Northwestern	69¾	70½	69¾	70½
Chile Copper	14	14	...	14¼
Chino Copper	26½	26¾	26½	26¾
Col. Gas & Elec.	...	...	...	53¾
Consolidated Gas	...	...	...	98
Corn Products, c	88¾	88¾	89¾	88¼
Crucible Steel, c	135½	135¾	134¾	134½
Col. Graphophone	23½	23¾	23¼	23¼
Cuban Am. Sugar	41½	41½	40	41
Cuban Cane Sugar	36½	36½	36	36¼
Denver & R. G., c	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾
do. pfd.	10	10	10	10
Erie, c	12½	12¾	12½	12¾
do. 1st pfd.	19¾	17¾	19½	19¾
Fiske Tire	...	...	...	29¾
Gaston Williams	9	9	9	9¼
General Cigars	62½	63	62	...
General Electric	141½	142	141½	140
General Motors	21¾	21¾	21¼	21½
Goodrich Rubber	55½	55½	55½	54½
Granby Cons.	36¼	36¼	36¼	36¼
Gt. Northern Or.	31¼	31¼	31¼	31¼
Gt. Northern Ry.	72¾	73	72½	73
Greene Cananea	25	25	24½	24½
Illinois Central	85½	85½	85½	85
Indus. Alcohol	84¼	84¼	84	84¼
Inspir. Copper	46	46	45¾	45¾
Inter. Paper	80¾	80¾	79	80
Int. Mer. Mar. c	24	24	24	24
do. pfd.	73	73	72½	72½
Int. Nickel	20	20¼	19¾	20
K. C. South., c	18½	19	18¾	19
Kelly Springfield	77	77¼	77	76
Kennecott Copper	24¾	24¾	23¾	23¾
Keystone Tire	18¾	18½	17¾	18¼
Lackawanna Steel	67¾	67½	67½	67½
Lakey Fam. Play.	70½	71¼	70½	70¾
Lehigh Valley	44½	45¼	44¼	45¼
Maxwell Motors, c	11½	13	11½	13
do 1st pfd.	21½	21¼	20¼	20
Middle States Oil	12½	12½	11¾	11¾
Mexican Pet.	160	160¾	155¾	156¼
Miami Copper	...	...	...	30¾
Midvale Steel	39¾	39¾	39¾	39¼
Miss. Pac. c	25	25½	25	25¾
do. pfd.	44	45	43¾	44½
National Enamel	57¾	58	57¾	58
National Lead	...	...	...	72½
Nevada Con.	11	11	11	11
New Haven	33¼	33¾	32¾	33¾
N. Yk. Air Brake	95	95	95	95
N. Y. Central	72	72¼	71½	72¼
Norfolk & W.	89¾	91	89¾	90½
Nor. Pacific	73	73½	73	73½
Okla. Ref. and P.	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾
Pure Oil	38½	38¾	38½	38¼
Pan. Am. pt. c	87	87	85	85
Pennsylvania Ry.	41	41	40¾	40¾
Peoples Gas	27½	27¾	27½	27½
Pierce Arrow	39	39	38¼	38½
Pierce Oil	12¾	12¾	12½	12½
Pittsburg Coal, c	62¼	62¼	61	61¾
Pressed St. Car c.	94	95	94	94
Ray Cons. Copper	14¾	15	14¾	14½
Reading, c	89¾	92	88½	91¾
Royal Dutch	83¾	83¾	82¾	83¾
Rep. I. & S., c	82¾	82½	81½	82½
Retail Stores	68¼	68¼	66¼	68¼
Rock Island, c	35	35¾	34¾	35½
do pfd "A"	74¾	74¾	74¾	73½
do pfd "B"	64	64	63¾	63¾
Sinclair Cons.	27	27½	26¾	26¾
Sloss Sheffield	69	69	68	67¾
Southern Pac.	92¾	93½	92¾	93¾
Southern Ry., c	27¼	27¾	27	27¼
Stromberg Motor	75	75	73	74¾
Studebaker, c	63¾	63¾	61¾	62¾
Shell	50¼	52¼	50¼	51
St. Louis & S. F.	25¼	25¼	24¾	25¼
Swift & Co.	107	107	107	107
Tenn. Copper	9¼	9¼	9	9¾
Texas Oil	47¼	47¾	46¾	47
Texas Pac.	34	35½	34	35
Tobacco Prods.	64	65½	64	64
Trans. Oil	19¼	19¾	19¼	19½
Union Pac., c	117¾	118¾	117¼	118½
do pfd	65	65	65	65
Union Oil of Del.	27¾	27¾	27½	27¼
United Food Prod.	58¾	58½	58¾	58¾
United Fruit	187¾	187¾	187¾	185
U. S. Rubber, c	86¼	86¼	83¾	84½
U. S. Smelt & Ref.	52	52¼	52	50½
U. S. Steel, c	88¾	88¾	87½	87¾
do pfd.	107	107	106¾	106¾
Utah Copper	60¾	61¾	60¾	60¾
Vanadium Steel	73	73¾	70¾	71¼
Virginia Chem., c.	65¾	65¾	65¾	64½
Wabash	8	8¼	8	8
Wabash, A	25¾	25¾	25	25
Western Union	...	...	...	82
Westinghouse Elec.	47¼	47¼	46¾	46¾
White Motors	47¾	47¾