FEAR OF FROSTS MAKES ALL GRAINS FIRM

December Wheat Advances Almost a Cent, Selling Up to 65 1-2c to 65 5-8c.

Low Temperature in the Northwest—Receipts Moderate Here and in Duluth.

Snow Says There is Great Danger to Corn from Any Heavy Frost Before September 15.

Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, Sept. 3.—Fear of frosts in the northwest was the incentive for a little rally in wheat this morning, and by noon December wheat had worked up ⅝@¾c over yesterday's close, and was steady around 65⅝@65½c. A heavy frost might do damage to late wheat in places even yet, although the quantity of wheat remaining in condition to be damaged is very light. Late flax would undoubtedly suffer. Up along the line temperatures were low enough to cause uneasiness, yet in the Canadian northwest, Calgary was the only point having actual frost temperatures, and Winnipeg reported nothing serious from any point in Manitoba. The movement in the northwest showed 414 cars, against 748 last year, Minneapolis getting 285, against 380, and Duluth 129, against 368. At primary points receipts were 1,224,000 bu, against 1,278,000 last year, and shipments 867,000 bu, against 744,000. Wheat and flour clearances equaled 661,000 bu.

Bradstreet's figures the change in the world's visible at 2,908,000 bu increase. Of this, 808,000 bu is increase in the quantity east of the Rockies and 2,100,000 bu increase in the quantity in Europe and afloat.

Snow's September report makes the corn condition 87.3 per cent, against 88.9 a month ago. The north half is late and must have frost immunity for two weeks longer than usual. If killing frost is delayed to Sept. 15, crop will be a large one; if delayed to Sept. 25, the crop will beat all records. Spring wheat, September condition, 88.2 per cent, or 3 points lower than Aug. 1. Comparatively little threshing up to Aug. 31, but with good weather, will proceed rapidly now. Minnesota and the Dakotas indicate 200,000,000 bu spring wheat and a total spring wheat yield of 300,000,000 bu. No reason to reduce our total yield this year under 750,000,000 bu wheat.

At the close the market remained strong, with an absence of selling pressure and the pit in waiting mood. December closed at 65½c, September at 65c; May wheat, 67⅞@68c.

The cash market showed good demand at 1½c over for No. 1 northern. Millers took a good share and elevators got into the market to some extent. No. 1 sold principally at 66⅝c to start some lots bringing 67c on the later advance in the option. No. 2 northern sold at 64¾@65c for the average. No. 3 wheat brought 63c@63½c; rejected wheat, 61c@64c, and no grade ranged from 63½c down to 56c.

THE FLOUR MARKET

BETTER TONE IN GENERAL AND A GOOD OUTLOOK.

The flour trade is in better shape to-day, viewing the field as a whole, than at any time for some weeks. With the crash wheat supply increasing, and the premium down to a reasonable figure, millers are able to land considerable business that was passed by for a time. Demand is better than last week, and as there has been persistent holding off for a time, stocks are light. Prices are again reduced a trifle all around.

Shipments, 52,673 brls.

First patents are quoted $3.65@3.75; second patents, $3.50@3.55; first clears, $2.80; second clears, $2.15.

THE CASH TRADE

FLAX RECOVERS 2 CENTS—OTHER GRAINS QUIET.

FLAX—Frosts in the northwest, or rather the fear of frosts, put an end to the easy tone in flax, and brought about reaction all around. In futures there was a good spurt, and cash flax followed, although only in part. Spot No. 1 sold here at 2c over yesterday, or $1.38½, while No. 1 northwestern brought $1.39. For No. 1 to arrive in 10 days, the figure was $1.33.

Minneapolis received 31 cars, against 37 last year, and shipped 26. Duluth had 31 cars.

Closing prices: Minneapolis—Cash, $1.38¾; to arrive, $1.37; September, $1.35; October, $1.33½. Duluth—Cash, $1.43; No. 1 northwestern, $1.45; September, $1.39½; October, $1.35½.

CORN—Nothing was done in corn. No. 3 yellow closed at 57¼c. Receipts, 1 car; shipments, 1 car.

OATS—It was an unsettled day in oats. Some No. 3 sold down to 25c. At the same time it was possible to get for the really choice lots and some No. 2 white brought 32½c. At the close No. 3 white was quoted 30@30¾c. Receipts, 37 cars; shipments, 17 cars.

FEED AND MEAL—Prices remain on an even basis all around, with practically no difference as to grades. Coarse corn meal and cracked corn quoted $21; No. 2 feed, $21@21.25; No. 3 feed, $21@21.25.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran in bulk is quoted at $11.50; bulk shorts, $12.50; flour middlings, $15; red dog, $18 f o b; feed in 200-lb sacks, $1 per ton additional; in 100-lb sacks, $1.50 per ton additional. Shipments, 1,183 tons.

BARLEY—The market covered a range of 44c to 68c. Feed grades are 38@50c; malting grades, 50@62c. Receipts, 39 cars; shipments, 27 cars.

RYE—There was a fair demand. No. 2 closed at 47c. Receipts, 2 cars; shipments, 4 cars.

HAY—Upland, choice, $8.50@9; upland, No. 1, $7.50@8.50; midland, $6@7; medium, $5@6; timothy, fancy, $12@12.50; timothy, choice, $11.50@12; timothy, No. 1, $10@10.50; rye straw, choice, $4.50. Receipts, 62 tons; shipments, 13 tons.

PUTS AND CALLS.

Two o'clock report:
Puts—December wheat, 65⅛c.
Calls—December wheat, 66⅛c.
Curb—December wheat, 65⅜c.

CASH SALES REPORTED TO-DAY.

No. 1 hard, 1 car	$0.68
No. 1 northern, 26 cars	.66¾
No. 1 northern, 19 cars	.67
No. 1 northern, 2 cars	.66½
No. 1 northern, 1 car	.67⅛
No. 1 northern, 2 cars, old	.75
No. 2 northern, 34 cars	.65
No. 2 northern, 7 cars	.64¾
No. 2 northern, 6 cars	.65¼
No. 2 northern, 5 cars	.64½
No. 2 northern, 1 car, old	.70
No. 3 wheat, 5 cars	.63
No. 3 wheat, 13 cars	.63½
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	.61
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	.64
Rejected wheat, 8 cars	.62
Rejected wheat, 3 cars	.63
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.64
Rejected wheat, 1 car, old	.94
Rejected wheat, 7 cars	.61
Rejected wheat, 3 cars	.61½
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.60
Rejected wheat, 1 car, smutty	.62
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.62
No grade wheat, 1 car	.63½
No grade wheat, 4 cars	.61½
No grade wheat, 6 cars	.58
No grade wheat, 7 cars	.59
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.56
No grade wheat, 6 cars	.63
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.60
No grade wheat, 2 cars, old	.65
No grade wheat, 1 car, old	.62
No. 3 white oats, 2 cars	.32½
No. 3 yellow oats, 1 car	.26
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	.30½
Std. 4 white oats, 1 car	.30½
Std. 4 white oats, 2 acrs	.30¼
No. 4 white oats, 4 cars	.32
No. 4 white oats, 2 cars	.29
No. 3 oats, 1 car, f o b	.28¾
No. 3 oats, 1 car, f o b	.29
No. 3 oats, 4 cars	.28½
No grade oats, 2 cars	.26½
No grade oats, 1 car	.25
No grade oats, 1 car	.31
No. 3 rye, 1 car	.46½
No grade rye, 1 car	.44½
No. 3 barley, 1 car	.50
No. 3 barley, 1 car	.53
No. 3 barley, 1 car	.57
No. 3 barley, 1 car	.57½
No. 3 barley, 1 car	.58
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.44
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.52
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.43
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.54
No. 5 barley, 1 car	.44
No. 1 northwestern flax, 1 car	1.39
No. 1 flax, 7 cars	1.39
No. 1 flax, 1 cars	1.38½
No. 1 flax, 4 oacks	1.34
Flax, 2,000 bu, to arrive in 10 days	1.35

STATE GRAIN INSPECTION, SEPT. 1.

Inspected In—Wheat—Cars—

Great Northern—No. 1 hard, 2; No. 1 northern, 59; No. 2 northern, 76; No. 3, 13; rejected, 5; no grade, 44.

Milwaukee—No. 1 northern, 26; No. 2 northern, 35; No. 3, 16; rejected, 38; no grade, 26.

St. Louis—No. 1 northern, 2; No. 2 northern, 5; No. 3, 1; rejected, 1; no grade, 10.

So Line—No. 1 northern, 17; No. 2 northern, 16; No. 3, 2; rejected, 3; no grade, 3.

Northern Pacific—No. 1 northern, 3; No. 2 northern, 11; No. 3, 2; no grade, 1.

Omaha—No. 1 northern, 16; No. 2 northern, 15; No. 3, 4; rejected, 3; no grade, 38.

Total—No. 1 hard, 2; No. 1 northern, 117; No. 2 northern, 158; No. 3, 38; rejected, 50; no grade, 122.

Other Grains—No. 3 winter wheat, 6; no grade wheat, 2; No. 3 yellow corn, 4; No. 3 corn, 7; No. 4 corn, 5; no grade corn, 4; No. 2 white oats, 4; No. 3 white oats, 27; No. 4 white oats, 46; No. 3 oats, 12; no grade oats, 19; No. 2 rye, 2; No. 3 rye, 2; no grade rye, 5; No. 2 barley, 3; No. 3 barley, 43; No. 4 barley, 24; No. 5 barley, 15; no grade barley, 26; No. 1 flax, 30; rejected flax, 47; no grade flax, 5.

Cars Inspected Out—No. 1 hard wheat, 2; No. 1 northern wheat, 105; No. 2 northern wheat, 19; No. 3 wheat, 9; no grade wheat, 2; No. 3 yellow corn, 2; No. 2 white oats, 3; No. 3 white oats, 18; No. 3 barley, 6; No. 4 barley, 4; no grade barley, 1; No. 2 rye, 2; No. 1 flax, 1; rejected flax, 9; no grade flax, 1.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS—SEPT. 2.

Received—Wheat, 285 cars, 256,500 bu; corn, 800 bu; oats, 47,730 bu; barley, 34,440 bu; rye, 6,560 bu; flax, 24,490 bu; flour, 425 brls; mill stuffs, 35 tons; hay, 62 tons; fruit, 492,895 lbs; merchandise, 1,876,595 lbs; lumber, 23 cars; barrel stock, 1 car; machinery, 731,200 lbs; coal, 730 tons; wood, 15 cords; brick, 105,000; lime, 2 cars; cement, 1,210 brls; household goods, 24,000 lbs; stone and marble, 3 cars; live stock, 1 car; dressed meats, 20,000 lbs; railroad materials, 2 cars; sundries, 40 cars; car lots, 754.

Shipped—Wheat, 109 cars, 99,190 bu; corn, 888 bu; oats, 24,650 bu; barley, 27,000 bu; rye, 3,720 bu; flax, 23,140 bu; flour, 32,673 brls; mill stuffs, 1,183 tons; hay, 13 tons; fruit, 102,000 lbs; merchandise, 2,774,950 lbs; lumber, 70 cars; barrel stock, 1 car; machinery, 423,100 lbs; brick, 20,000; lime, 3 cars; household goods, 58,000 lbs; stone and marble, 4 cars; live stock, 1 car; linseed oil, 300 lbs; railroad materials, 4 cars; sundries, 28 cars; car lots, 865.

DAILY WHEAT MOVEMENT—SEPT. 3.

The following are the receipts and shipments at the principal primary wheat markets:

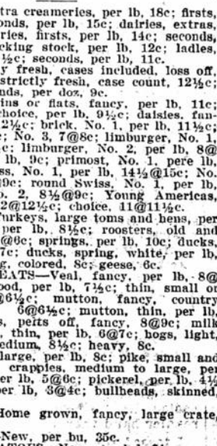
	Receipts, bushels.	Shipments, bushels.
New York	283,150	122,532
Philadelphia	85,296	67,472
Baltimore	67,004	140,000
Toledo	150,000	107,100
Detroit	12,000	10,173
St. Louis	129,000	263,000
Boston	108,569	.....
Chicago	257,021	249,127
Milwaukee	5,600	.....
Duluth	113,839	29,999
Minneapolis	256,500	99,190
Kansas City	284,800	101,000

WHEAT MOVEMENT BY ROADS—SEPT. 2.

Received—Cars—Milwaukee, 130; Omaha, 17; St. Louis, 31; Great Northern, 68; Soo, 7; Northern Pacific, 32.

Shipped—Cars—Milwaukee, 62; Omaha, 5; St. Louis, 24; Wisconsin Central, 1; Chicago Great Western, 16.

Range of December Wheat.



CHICAGO GRAIN

FROST TALK CAUSES OPENING STRENGTH IN WHEAT AND CORN.

Chicago, Sept. 3.—Grains opened with a good show of strength to-day, on the influence of colder weather west and northwest and the government crop report, which indicated retarded maturity of crops because of bad weather.

Cables were indifferent and wheat started only a trifle firmer, with September ⅛@¼c up, at 70⅝@70¾c, and December unchanged to ¼c higher, at 67¼@67⅜c. Predictions that frosts would come to-night as far south as Iowa started a good buying movement. Frosts were reported over the Canadian line last night, at Haver, Man. Wheat in sections of the northwest was reported sprouting in the shock on account of the excessive rains during August. These factors took September wheat to 71⅛c and December to 67¾@67⅞c. Local receipts were large, at 531 cars, but no contract stuff was at hand. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 414 cars, making a total for the three points of 945, against 435 last week. Deliveries on September contracts to-day were insignificant, at 65,000 bu.

There was a slight dip back in wheta prices after the first upward movement, but excellent buying set in again on the frost scare and September sold to 71⅜c, closing strong, 1@1⅛c up at 71½@71⅝c. December closed strong with the same relative advances at 68¼@68⅜c.

Close: Wheat—September, 71½@71⅝; December, 68¼@68⅜c; May, 70¼c.

Cash Wheat—No. 2 red, 71½c; No. 3 red, 67@71c; No. 2 hard winter, 70½c; No. 3 hard winter, 67½@69c; No. 1 northern spring, 75c; No. 2 northern spring, 72@73c; No. 3 spring, 68@70c.

Frost talk and the government report that a month was needed to mature corn in Iowa and eastern Nebraska started fair buying early. Deliveries were only 15,000 bu on September contracts. Cables were steady, but the demand improved on the nervousness of shorts over the situation, and prices advanced over 1c during the first hour of trade. September opened ⅝c to ¾c up, at 58c to 57½c, and sold at 58½c. December started ¼@⅝c higher, at 42⅛@43c, and advanced to 43⅝c. Receipts were 140 cars.

Corn was affected more by the cry for frost than anything on the floor. September shot to 59c and December to 43⅞c. The close was strong, September 1½c up, at 58½c, and December 1c higher, at 43⅜c.

Close—Corn—September, 58½c; December, 43⅜c; May, 40¼@40⅜c.

Cash Corn—No. 2, 60½@61c; No. 3, 60@60½c.

Oats developed firmness early in sympathy with other grains. There was some fair buying. The 225,000 bu of deliveries on September contracts to-day were only mixed stuff. Out of the heavy receipts 174 cars—only eleven were of contract grade. Shorts showed some rear and prices advanced. September started ⅛c up, at 34¼c, and sold to 34⅜c. December started unchanged, at 31c, and sold to 31½c.

Close: Oats—September, 27c; new, 35¼c; December, 26⅝c; new, 31⅝c; May, 31¾c. Cash oats. No. 2, 28½c; No. 3, 27c.

The following was the range of prices:

Wheat—	Sept.	Dec.	May.
Opening	70⅜	67¼	69¼
Highest	71⅜	68⅜	70¼
Lowest	70⅜	67¼	69½
Close—			
To-day	71½@⅝	68¼@⅜	70¼
Yesterday	70½	67¼	69⅜@¼
Year ago	68⅞@69	71⅞	75
Corn—			
Opening	57½	42⅞	39⅝
Highest	59	43⅞@44	40½
Lowest	57½	42⅞	39⅝
Close—			
To-day	58½	43⅝	40¼@⅜
Yesterday	57⅝	42⅝	39⅜@½
Year ago	54¼@⅝	56⅝	58⅜@⅞
Oats—			
Opening	34⅝	31	31
Highest	35½	31⅞	.....
Lowest	34⅛	31	.....
Close—			
To-day	35¼	31⅝	31⅞@⅞
Yesterday	34⅛	31	31¼
Year ago	32⅞	31⅜@⅞	37⅛@¼

OTHER GRAIN MARKETS

DULUTH GRAIN, Sept. 3.—On weather prospects all grains were up, flax 5c by noon, wheat 1c. December wheat opened up and advanced to 66¼c at the close. September opened ¼c up, at 67½c, and sold on to 68c. It closed at 68¼c, which was high point. Flax was largely in evidence. It opened 2c up, at $1.36 September and $1.32 October, and advanced sharply to the close. September showed a net advance of 5½c, October of 6c. The close was at top prices.

Receipts—Wheat, 129 cars; oats, 15; rye, 14; barley, 10; flax, 31; total, 199. Shipments—Wheat, 29,999 bu; flax, 10,554.

Close: No. 1 hard, cash, 70⅝ asked; to arrive, 69⅝c; No. 1 northern, cash, 69½c; to arrive, 68¼c; September, 68¼c; December, 66¼c; No. 2 northern, 67¼c; No. 3, 65⅜c; barley, 42@60c; flax, cash, $1.43; track, $1.45; September, $1.39½; October, $1.35½; November, $1.34; rye, September, 49c; on track, 49½c; oats, September, 31c, December, 30c; on track, 32c; macaroni wheat, No. 1, 64½c; No. 2, 61½c.

LIVERPOOL GRAIN, Sept. 3.—Wheat, spot. No. 1 northern spring, firm, 6s 3½d; No. 2 red western winter quiet, 6s; No. 1 California steady, 6s 4½d; futures steady; December, 5s 10¼c; September, 5s 11⅜d. Corn, spot quiet; American mixed, 5s 11d; futures, quiet; October, 5s 2¼d; November, nominal; December, 4s ⅝d.

NEW YORK GRAIN, Sept. 3.—Flour—Receipts, 50,884 brls; sales, 4,200 pkgs; dull but steadier. Wheat—Receipts, 283,150 bu; sales, 780,000 bu; stronger and more active to-day on covering by room shorts, higher cables and more bullish spring crop news; September, 74⅝@75⅜c; December, 72⅝@74¼c; May, 74⅞@75c. Rye—Steady; state and western, 55@56c. Corn—Receipts, 31,500 bu; sales, 35,000 bu; stronger on a frost scare, better cables and general covering; September, 66¼c; December, 48⅛@48⅞c. Oats—Receipts, 273,000 bu; advanced on poor grading and with corn: track white, 34@42c.

Close: Wheat—September, 75⅞c; December, 73¾c. Corn—September, 66⅝c; December, 48⅞c.

ST. LOUIS GRAIN, Sept. 3.—Cattle, receipts 6,000; steady; Texans, $2.75@5; cows and heifers, $1.75@4.50.

Hogs, receipts, 5,000; 10@15c lower; pigs, $7@7.40; packers, $7.40@7.60; butchers, $7.55@7.80.

Sheep, receipts, 2,000; steady; sheep, $3.60@3.85; lambs, $4.05@5.60.

CHICAGO SEED AND COARSE GRAIN, Sept. 3.—Flax—Cash northwestern, $1.43; southwestern, $1.38; September, $1.37½; October, $1.33½. Rye—September, 49½c; December, 49c. Barley—Cash, 42@63c. Timothy—September, $4.22½. Clover—October, $8.85.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN, Sept. 3.—Close: Wheat—September, 64⅝c; December, 63⅞c; cash No. 2 hard, 66@67c; No. 2 red, 66½c. Corn—September, 40⅞c; December, 34½@34⅝c; cash No. 2 mixed, 57c; No. 2 white, 58½@59c. Oats—No. 2 white, 35c.

MILWAUKEE GRAIN, Sept. 3.—Flour—Steady. Wheat—Firm; closed. No. 1 northern, 73c; No. 2 northern, 69@71½c; December, 68¼c. Rye—Steady; No. 1, 52@52½c. Barley—Steady; No. 2, 65c; sample, 47@66c. Oats—Higher; standard, 34c. Corn—December, 43⅝c. Wheat, spot—Firm; cash, 68⅝c.

Corn—Puts, 43c; calls, 44½c.

GENERAL PRODUCE

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS OF THE MINNEAPOLIS PRODUCE EXCHANGE.

Wednesday, Sept. 3.—Extra creamery butter, firm; packing stock, firm. Strictly fresh eggs, higher. Fancy country dressed veal, steady. Live poultry, steady. Green fruits, steady. New apples, steady. Potatoes, easy.

BUTTER—Extra creameries, per lb, 18c; firsts, per lb, 17c; seconds, per lb, 15c; dairies, extras, per lb, 16c; dairies, firsts, per lb, 14c; seconds, per lb, 12c; packing stock, per lb, 12c; ladles, firsts, per lb, 14½c; seconds, per lb, 11c.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, cases included, loss off, per doz, 15½c; strictly fresh, case count, 12½c; checks and seconds, per doz, 9c.

CHEESE—Twins or flats, fancy, per lb, 11c; twins of flats, choice, per lb, 9½c; daisies, fancy, per lb, 12@12½c; brick, No. 1, per lb, 11½c; No. 2, per lb, 9c; Swiss, No. 3, 7@8c; limburger, No. 1, per lb, 11@11½c; limburger, No. 2, per lb, 8@9c; pultost, per lb, 9c; primost, No. 1, pere lb, 7½c; block Swiss, No. 1, per lb, 14½@15c; No. 2, per lb, 8½@9c; round Swiss, No. 1, per lb, 15½@16½c; No. 2, 8½@9c; Young Americas, fancy, per lb, 12@12½c; choice, 11@11½c.

POULTRY—Turkeys, large toms and hens, per lb, 12c; hens, per lb, 8½c; roosters, old and young, per lb, 5@6c; springs, per lb, 10c; ducks, old, per lb, 6@7c; ducks, spring, white, per lb, 9c; ducks, spring, colored, 8c; geese, 6c.

DRESSED MEATS—Veal, fancy, per lb, 8@8½c; fair to good, per lb, 7½c; thin, small or overweight, 5@6½c; mutton, fancy, country dressed, per lb, 6@6½c; mutton, thin, per lb, 5c; milk lambs, pelts off, fancy, 8@9c; milk lambs, pelts on, thin, per lb, 6@7c; hogs, light, per lb, 8½c; medium, 8½c; heavy, 8c.

FISH—Pike, large, per lb, 8c; pike, small and medium, 4@5c; crappies, medium to large, per lb, 7c; small, per lb, 5@6c; pickerel, per lb, 4½@6c; sunfish, per lb, 3@4c; bullheads, skinned, per lb, 5@6c.

CABBAGE—Home grown, fancy, large crate, $1.

POTATOES—New, per bu, 35c.

SWEET POTATOES—New, per brl, $4.

ONIONS—Southern, per sack, $2; home grown, per bu, 75c.

TOMATOES—Home grown, per bu, 75c@$1.

DRIED PEAS—Fancy yellow, per bu, $1.75; medium, per bu, $1.60; green, fancy, per bu, $1.75; green medium, fair, $1.25; marrowfat, per bu, $2.25.

DRIED BEANS—Fancy navy, per bu, $2.25; choice navy, per bu, $2; medium, hand picked, per bu, $1.85; medium, fair, $1.25; medium, mixed and dirty, 65@90c; brown, fancy, per bu, $2; fair to good, $1.20@1.25.

APPLES—Jonathan, per brl, $3.50; Maiden Blush, per brl, $2.75@3; Duchess, per brl, $2.75@3; Wealthy, per brl, $2.75@3; cooking, per brl, $2.50; box, bu, fancy red eating, $1; crabapples, bu, $1.50; brl, $4; bu box fancy cooking, $1; box, $1.50; brl, $4; bu box fancy cooking, $1.

WEST COAST FRUITS—Peaches, per box, 90c@$1; peaches, Crawfords, fancy, per box, $1.10; plums, Gross, per crate, $1.50; Burbanks, per crate, $1.25; Egg, per crate, $1.25; pears, Bartlett, per box, $1.75; Malaga grapes, per crate, $1.50; Tokays, per crate, $2.

MELONS—Watermelons, large, per doz, $2.75@3; watermelons, medium, per doz, $2.25@2.50; muskmelons, per crate, $2; 2-3-bu basket, 75c.

ORANGES—Late Valencias, all sizes, per box, $5@5.25.

LEMONS—Verdillis, per box, $4.50; Messinas, fancy, per box, $4.50; choice, box, $4; California, fancy, as to size, $4.50; choice, $4.

PEARS—Eastern, per brl, $4.50@4.75.

PLUMS—Southern, per 16-qt crate, $1.25.

BLACKBERRIES—Per 16-qt crate, $2.

BLUEBERRIES—Per 16-qt crate, $2.

GRAPES—Concords, 10-lb basket, 30c; Ives, 10-lb basket, 25c.

BANANAS—Fancy, large bunches, $2.75; medium bunches, $2.25@2.50; small bunches, $2@2.25.

VEGETABLES—Asparagus, new, per doz, 75c; new beans, string, per bu, $1.25@1.50; wax beans, bu, 50@60c; corn, green, doz, 8@10c; egg plant, new, per doz, $2.25; radishes, home grown, per doz bunches, 15@25c; onions, green, per doz bunches, 15c; lettuce, per doz, 20c; lettuce, heads, per doz, 50c; mint, per doz, 30@40c; parsley, per doz, 30c; new squash, per doz, $1; turnips, new, per bu, 25c; carrots, per bu, 35c.

NEW YORK PRODUCE, Sept. 3.—Butter, receipts 13,493 pkgs; steady; state dairy, 15@16½c; state creamery, 15@19½c; renovated, 14½@17c; factory, 13@15½c; imitation creamery, 14@16c. Cheese, receipts, 5,541 pkgs; firm; new state full cream small colored fancy, 10¾@10½c; small white, 10⅝@10½c; large colored, 10⅜@9⅞c; large white, 9⅞@9¾c. Eggs, receipts, 12,610 pkgs; firm; state and Pennsylvania, 20@22c; western candled, 20@21c; uncandled, 17@20c.

CHICAGO PRODUCE, Sept. 3.—Butter firm; creameries, 15@19c; dairies, 13½@17½c. Cheese steady; twins, 10c; daisies, 10½c; young Americas, 10½@10¾c. Eggs, unchanged, loss off, cases returned, 17½c. Iced poultry firm; chickens, 10½@13½c; turkeys, 12½@13½c.

REPORT OF WRIGHT

The National Commissioner of Labor on the Anthracite Coal Strike.

He Recommends a Joint Committee of Conciliation—Nine Hour Day.

Washington, Sept. 3. — The report of Carroll D. Wright, the commissioner of labor, on the anthracite coal strike, was made public to-day.

Commissioner Wright finds that there is no confidence between the employes and their employers and that this is one of the chief causes of the difficulties. He suggests that it would be reasonable and just for the operators to concede at once a nine-hour day for six months as an experiment.

He suggests that there should be organized a joint committee on conciliation composed of representatives of the operators and of a new union of anthracite employes, to which all grievances should be referred for investigation and that their decision should be final and binding upon all parties and that there should be no interference with the non-union men.

BULLS HAVE HOLD

They Lift the Market at the Opening Above Last Night's Close.

Big Dealings in Reading Which Carry It to 78—Heavy Realizing Follows.

New York, Sept. 3.—The bulls had the market well in hand at the opening and lifted prices of various leaders substantially above yesterday's close. Prices all around were a good fraction higher, particularly in Pennsylvania, Southern Pacific and Atchison. Reading opened with a resumption of yesterday's enormous dealings, the first transactions representing 20,000 shares at from 75½ down to 75, compared with yesterday's final figure of 75⅝. Southern Pacific also opened wide, 6,000 shares being bought at from 80 to 80¼, a gain over night of nearly a point. Trading was very active and quite widely distributed.

Trading was hesitating after the opening and prices of many stocks reacted, especially Baltimore & Ohio, St. Paul and Louisville, which sold about a point below their highest. Reading went below 75, but another violent upward rush of the stock carried it to 78, and caused the general market to harden again. Amalgamated, Anaconda, Sugar, General Electric, Manhattan, Missouri Pacific, Denver & Rio Grande and Norfolk & Western also were in increased demand and a point or more higher. Rock Island jumped 2½. Detroit United Railway 2 and Sloss-Sheffield Steel 5 points. Heavy realizing orders in Reading poured into the market later, causing a reaction of over a point, with some effect on the list. Southern Pacific fell back to last night's close and there were some prominent stocks which receded to a fraction below. Colorado Fuel lost over 2 points.

There were a few isolated points of strength including Tennessee Coal and some of the minor industrials. Prices elsewhere, meanwhile, reacted sharply on realizing and the subsequent announcement of a slight accident to President Roosevelt. Earlier gains were quite generally wiped out and Reading dropped below 76 before it met support. Trading then became very dull, but the tone was steadier before midday. Reading rallied to the best again.

Bonds were irregular.

The market was spotty, special stocks mounting vigorously while others were at a standstill. The pools went to work again with confidence for their favorites, when more reassuring news was received regarding the accident to the president's party. Reading touched 78⅝, with a good deal heard of competitive buying, etc., and St. Paul, Missouri Pacific, Illinois Central, Manhattan and North American advanced about 2 points each. New York Central declined 4 points, while Keokuk & Des Moines gained 3.

Norfolk & Western became the leading feature and was bought in large amounts up to 78⅝c, a gain of four points. Other soft coal stocks responded sympathetically, particularly Hocking Valley and Chesapeake & Ohio. Elsewhere the tendency was drooping, St. Paul, Reading and Amalgamated ruling a point below their best. North American advanced seven points and there were material gains in many other obscure stocks. By 2 o'clock the market was very active and prices rising all around.

Stock quotations reported for The Journal by Watson & Co., Chamber of Commerce, Minneapolis.

Closing prices are bid.

Sales.	Stocks—	High-est.	Low-est.	—Close— Bid. Sept. 3	Bid. Sept. 2
	Am. Cot. Oil	.....	.....	50	50
	do pr	.....	.....	95	95
900	Am. Car	34½	34¼	34¼	34¼
100	do pr	.....	.....	91	92½
1,800	Am. Locomot.	34	33½	33¾	33¾
600	do pr	96	95½	95½	95¾
200	Am. Ice	12½	12¼	12¼	12¾
100	do pr	.....	.....	42	43½
400	Am. Linseed	22¼	22¼	22½	23
100	do pr	.....	.....	50	50
8,000	Am. Sugar	133¼	132	132½	132⅛
	do pr	.....	.....	122	122
1,100	Am. Smelting	46½	46	46	46⅝
	do pr	.....	.....	97¾	97½
40,400	Amal. Cop.	70⅜	69	69⅛	68⅞
1,200	Anacon. Cop.	110½	107	108	107
37,100	At.,Top.&S. F.	96⅜	95⅜	95⅝	95⅞
9,800	do pr	105⅜	104½	105	105¼
60,700	Balt. & Ohio	116½	115¼	115⅞	116
100	do pr	.....	.....	95½	95
13,400	Brook. Rap. Tr.	69⅜	68½	69¼	68¼
6,100	Can. Pacific	145¼	144	144¼	145
57,100	Ches. & Ohio	57½	55	57	55¾
3,900	Chi. & Alton	43¾	42¾	42⅞	43½
100	do pr	.....	.....	76	.....
5,000	Chi. Gr. West	34⅝	34¼	34¼	34¼
100	do pr A	.....	.....	89¾	90
300	do pr B	51¼	50⅜	50½	51
1,100	C.C.C. & St.L.	107	106⅝	106⅞	106⅝
	do pr	.....	.....	50¼	124
800	Chi. Term.	23½	22⅞	23¼	23
	do pr	40⅝	40⅛	40¼	40½
4,200	Col. Fuel & I'n	81¾	78¾	80⅝	81⅞
	do pr	.....	.....	130	130
800	Col. Southern	33¼	32½	33¾	34¼
	do 1st pr	78¾	78½	78½	78½
	do 2d pr	.....	.....	52½	53¼
	Col., H. C. & I.	.....	.....	20	.....
1,900	Consol. Gas	225	223¾	224½	224
100	Con. Tob. pr	.....	.....	124	124
	Del. & Hudson	.....	.....	179½	.....
	Del. Lack & W.	.....	.....	284	284½
7,200	Den. & Rio Gr.	50⅝	49½	49⅞	49⅝
800	do pr	95⅝	95	95	94½
	Du. S. S. & At.	23⅝	22½	22½	22½
	do pr	37	34¾	34¾	34¾
28,700	Erie	43¼	42½	42¾	42⅝
2,900	do 1st pr	71½	71⅛	71⅜	71⅛
1,500	do 2d pr	58	57¼	57¼	57¾
	Ev. & Tere H.	.....	.....	65	.....
	do pr	.....	.....	90	.....
600	Gen. Electric	197½	196	196½	197
	Great Nor. pr.	202	200	201	200
1,800	Hocking Valy	101⅞	100½	101½	100
700	do pr	93½	93	93½	92⅞
16,700	Illinois Cent.	173½	171¼	172¾	171¼
	Iowa Central	.....	.....	50⅛	50½
	do pr	.....	.....	87	87½
100	Inter. Paper	20	19⅞	19⅞	20
100	do pr	.....	.....	75	75
	K. C. & South'n	39	38½	38⅝	38⅝
	do pr	61⅝	61	61¼	61¼
	Lake E. & W.	.....	.....	65	65
	do pr	.....	.....	125	125
4,200	Louis. & Nash.	154¾	153½	153¾	154¾
1,700	M., St.P. & Soo	81½	80¼	80¾	80¾
700	do pr	137⅞	137½	137½	137½
29,700	Manhattan	137⅞	136	136⅞	135½
800	Met. St. Ry.	148¼	147	147⅞	147
30	Minn. & St. L.	114	113¾	113¾	113¼
100	do pr	.....	.....	125	125
6,000	Missouri Pac.	119⅝	117½	118¾	117½
8,700	M., K. & T.	34½	33⅞	34⅛	33⅞
4,300	do pr	68¾	68¼	68¼	68⅛
400	Mex. Cent.	29¾	29¼	29⅜	29½
	Mex. Nat.	21⅝	21	21½	21½
	do pr	44	43½	43¾	43½
100	Nat. Biscuit	.....	.....	47⅝	47⅝
100	do pr	.....	.....	103⅝	103⅝
500	Nat. Lead	25	24½	24½	24⅝
100	do pr	.....	.....	91	90
4,100	N. J. Central	184	183	184	187
49,000	Norfolk & West.	78½	76⅝	77⅝	74⅝
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