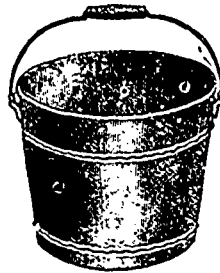


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### Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

Wheat opened rather active on Monday, with a nervous under-current. The bears were out in force, but they were unable to pound down prices. July wheat opened at \$3c, which figure was a fraction above Saturday's closing price, and ranged upward to \$3½c. December wheat opened at \$0c, and the range was upward to \$1½c. Provisions were weak. Closing prices were:

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	33½	79½	79½	36½
Corn	35½	35½	35½	36½
Oats	22½	22½	22½	—
Pork	11.40	11.50	11.00	10.40
Lard	6.30	6.35	6.45	6.42½
Short Ribs	5.50	5.50	5.57½	5.72½

Wheat opened on Tuesday at Monday's closing figures for July, but higher for other options, especially for September, which opened ½ over Monday's close, and ranged during the day from 79½ to \$0½c. December ranged from \$1 to \$2½c. Cables were strong on wheat and flour, and with active buying on foreign account, prices were strong. Crop reports from the western spring wheat belt were very blue, and this had a strong influence on prices. Speculation centered largely in December option, which closed at \$2½. The expected light receipts of hogs exercised a temporary strong influence in the provision markets. Closing prices were:

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	84½	81½	80½	—
Corn	35½	35½	36½	36½
Oats	22½	22½	22½	—
Pork	11.40	11.50	11.55	10.50
Lard	6.25	6.32½	6.40	—
Short Ribs	5.50	5.50	5.55	5.75

July wheat opened ½ higher on Wednesday,

August ½ higher than Tuesday's close. December was ½ lower at the start. September opened the same as Tuesday's close, and ranged during the day from 79½ to \$1½c. The strength at the opening was not long maintained, and prices soon broke, and there was marked weakness the balance of the day. The decline was due to local speculative causes, cables being strong and crop prospects unchanged. A bear raid on pork sent prices down 30 to 35c. Closing prices were:

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	83½	79½	71½	—
Corn	35½	35½	36½	36½
Oats	22½	22½	22½	—
Pork	11.30	11.32½	11.35	10.37½
Lard	6.25	6.35	6.40	—
Short Ribs	5.75	5.77½	5.82½	5.72½

On Thursday wheat continued weak, closing at the bottom prices for the day, as follows:

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	78½	77	77½	—
Corn	—	35½	35½	35½
Oats	—	—	—	—
Pork	11.30	11.30	11.32½	10.40
Lard	6.25	6.27½	6.37½	6.35
Short Ribs	—	—	—	—

On Friday wheat was offered freely on bulges, and prices were irregular. December wheat closed at 78½c. Pork declined 20 to 25c per barrel, but recovered part of the loss. Closing prices were as follows:

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	78½	76½	70½	—
Corn	—	35½	35½	35½
Oats	—	—	—	—
Pork	—	11.27½	11.30	—
Lard	—	6.27½	6.35	—
Short Ribs	—	—	—	—

Binscarth and Holland will be made money order offices as well as Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, on and after July 1st.

### Minneapolis Markets.

The closing prices for wheat on Thursday, July 11th, were:

	July.	Aug.	Sept.	On track
No 1 hard	1.05	—	—	1.05
No. 1 northern	99	\$5	\$0½	99-1.00
No 2	88	—	—	90-2

A firm feeling has existed in the flour market the past week, and in some instances dealers asked a further advance. It was evident that buyers entertained the belief that high prices would not continue for spring wheat flour, but in view of the cost of wheat local millers will continue to ask firm prices or be compelled to shut down. The later movement of winter wheat than was expected, and the soft character of that moving, has increased the demand for spring wheat and consequently hardened the values of both wheat and flour. Flour buyers are on the lookout for snags, but the high cost of wheat does not admit of reductions to effect large sales. The cost of wheat is daily moving upward, through the large demand for the little there is of it for sale. About four local firms own the wheat, or the bulk of it, and all other spring wheat millers must take their chances of getting any. Yesterday and to-day there was enough demand to take away the current production, and the inquiry was mainly for the most prompt shipment.

Quotations at the mills for car or round lots are: Patents, \$5.50@5.55; second patents, \$5.00@5.45; bakers', \$3.40@3.75, in barrels; best low grades, \$1.70@1.90 in bags; red dog, \$1.25@1.50 in bags.—Northwestern Miller.

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