

## COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

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## JULY WAS SCALPED ON A BIG SCALE

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**CHICAGO, Ill.**, April 7.—Wheat was very nervous today, fluctuating widely and at times showing an advance of 2½c. There were no inquiries for May shorts and little for sale for that month. July was scalped successfully on a big scale by St. Louis operators, who also supplied the most of the crop damage reports and of the general prevailing wheat conditions in Kansas.

The last offering was reported to have been a liberal buyer of July. The closing quotations were 80½c for May and from 76½c to 76¾c for July account, showing a gain for the day of 5c. In the former and 3c in the latter.

Corn closed a shade firmer. Provisions were fairly active and strong, but closed considerably below the highest prices of the day.

A scare began about at the top of the bell. It had been somewhat generally expected that there would be an easing of the market after the heavy closing yesterday. Instead there was a sharp drop at the start and the buyers at once became so general that the biggest kind of a bull market developed the first hour.

The cables were strong and higher. Outside markets showed more activity than the day before.

**EUROPE.** Bullish week at 14½d. 12c.

**MOLASSES.** New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, fairly active, firm.

**SPRUCE-BAW.** dull steady, refined, active.

**PIG IRON.** Dull; steady; American, \$12.75d.

**LEAD.** Steady; lake, \$1.40.

**IRON.** Steady; domestic, \$1.12c.

**TIN.** (less steady); Straits, \$20.45/20.50c; plates, steady; quiet. **SPELTER.** Firm; domes-

tic, \$4.32/c.

**Omaha Produce Market.**

**GENERAL MARKET.**

The general market was very active and there was no real change in prices. Erns have been in light receipt for some time and the market is showing signs of firming up.

Tomatoes—Choice, 10c; medium, 9c; small, 8c.

**GARLIC.** The market is slow and dull. Mixed, 60¢/75¢; red heads, \$2; mafards, \$2.00/2.50¢; 15¢/18¢.

**BEETS.** Choice, 25¢/30¢; common, 20¢/22¢.

**CAULIFLOWER.** Choice, 25¢/30¢; common, 20¢/22¢.

**ONIONS.** Choice, 25¢/30¢; common, 20¢/22¢.

**ONION SEEDS.** Choice, 25¢/30¢; common, 20¢/22¢.

**VEGETABLES.** Lettuce, 40¢; radishes, 40¢; parsley, 40¢; green onions, 35¢.

**FRUITS.**

**APPLES.** Choice shipping stock, \$4.50 per bbl.

**STRAWBERRIES.** Per pound, 25¢/30¢.

**TANGERINES.** In halves, \$2.75/3.00.

**ORANGES.** Florida fancy, per box, 3.50¢/3.75¢.

**PEACHES.** \$3.25; Mexican oranges, single boxes, 35¢/40¢.

**PEARS.** Choice, 25¢/30¢; common, 20¢/22¢.

**GRAPES.** Choice, 25¢/30¢; common, 20¢/22¢.

**LEMONS.** Choice, \$3.50; fancy, \$4.

**MESSALINNIES.**

**HAY.** The market on good upland hay was 55¢/60¢.

**HOGS.** No. 1 green, No. 2 No. 2 green, 35¢; No. 1 green, salted, 25 to 40 lbs., 40¢; No. 2 green, salted, 25 to 40 lbs., 45¢; No. 1 veal, 8¢/10¢; No. 1 No. 2 veal, 8¢/10¢; No. 2 dry hind, 5¢; No. 1 dry salted, 6¢.

**HONEY.** Choice to fancy white clover, 18¢/19¢; dark clover, 16¢/18¢.

**VEAL.** Choice and small fat veals, 75¢/85¢/90¢ large and thin, 80¢/90¢.

**ST. LOUIS MARKETS.**

**ST. LOUIS, Mo.**, April 7.—**FLOUR.** Firm demand; market firm.

**WHEAT.** Advanced steadily from the opening of the month. The market is now at its highest point since April 1st.

**COAL.** Higher, 10¢/12¢ per ton.

**IRON.** About unchanged.

**COATS.** No trading; No. 2 cash, 31¢/32¢.

**PROVISIONS.** Strong; higher price, steady.

**DAIRY PRODUCTS.** Higher, 10¢/12¢ per ton.

**MEAT.** Higher, 10¢/12¢ per lb.

**EGGS.** Higher, 10¢/12¢ per dozen.

**BUTTER.** Higher, 10¢/12¢ per lb.

**WHEAT FLOUR.** Higher, 10¢/12¢ per lb.