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CHICAGO, Sept. 6.—Wheat steadied from its tired feeling near the close today and with good buying on the spot finished 3¢ higher for December. The other markets sympathized and corn closed 1½¢ higher for May. September oats gained 3¢ and provisions closed slightly higher all around.

It was a dull day at the start in wheat, as it was also in all the other speculative crowds. Nothing especially new or striking occurred during the forenoon, and consequently the speculators had ample time to thresh over the old straw. The possibilities in the direction of substituting wheat for corn in the stock was about the only thing that kept the price from dropping off in view of the almost total cessation of trading during what is generally the busiest time of the day. There was a spurt of activity on becoming known that a well known crop expert, who has given his particular attention to the condition of the northwestern spring wheat crop, estimated the total yield for the three states of North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota at not to exceed 60,000,000 bu., basing his estimate on the actual threshing returns. Then a tone of confidence quickly supplanted the fear of another spurt of activity in the price of wheat, which had been confined all the afternoon to a range of from 56½c to 58¢c, rose with considerable vim in the trading to 58½c, and closed at 58¾c.

Today it was corn that took its cue from wheat, and the big local shorts who have for a week made such a poor attempt at manufacturing a bear market out of a sorely mangled crop report in the west changed their tactics. The market was extremely quiet at 10 o'clock when the opening came quite active. It was at no time other than very firm and toward the close it became excitedly strong. September rose from 57c, sold off to 56½c, but after wavering very close to 55½c until within an hour of the close when it again quickened until it reached 56¾c, and closed at 57c.

Cash oats met with a fair sale and were steady to a shade firmer. The strong feeling extended into the speculative crowd, with a good disposition to sell, as buying orders were few. Price was slightly influenced by the movement of the corn market. September at the start was 3¢ higher than it closed yesterday, at 30¢c; later it fell to 29¾c, and at noon it was again selling at 30¢c, closing at 30¾c.

Barley was quiet, but the packers had more than enough for sale to supply the demand. The afternoon strength in grain caused those who sold earlier to bid for some of their short stuff, and the closing prices were substantially the highest of the day. The January deliveries were higher than on the day before to the extent of 10¢ in corn and 2½¢ on lard and ribs.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2	54½	54½	53½	54½
56½	57	57	56	57
58½	58½	58½	58	58½
60	60	60	59½	60
62	62	62	61½	62
64	64	64	63½	64
66	66	66	65½	66
68	68	68	67½	68
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72	72	72	71½	72
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84	84	84	83½	84
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326	326	326	325½	326
328	328	328	327½	