

THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

News Was Decidedly Bearish for Chicago Wheat Business.

GOOD WEATHER THE LEADING FACTOR.

All Grains as a Result Closed Very Much Lower in Prices—Bullion of Leading Futures—Stocks and Bonds.

CHICAGO, June 24.—Wheat was apparently friendless today. To be sure, Paribidage was understood to have bought about 4,000 bushels around the opening, while other shorts took some, lending the market a fitful appearance of strength for a time, but returning again and again to the position to justify an expectation of higher prices, in fact the news of the day was decidedly bearish. The early purchases were not with the expectation of profits from an advance but for the purpose of evening up deals. The shorts continued to fear the temptation to manipulation in July within the next few days, in view of the perfectly fair position of the market, but on the whole hand Paribidage purchases today are said to have put his trades on an even footing. The bearish news consisted of reports of continued bad weather everywhere in the winter wheat belt of this country and in Europe, lower cables depressed domestic market, and a general bearish feeling. Harney was reported going on extremely well, new arrivals showed a slight increase in the more southern and southwestern markets. Indian and Russian wheat shipments were heavy. The Farmer's Review, in its summary of the situation, gave the condition of winter wheat as exceptionally good and spring very promising; a history of the raising of wheat in the West did not show a general downward tendency in the last two years. It was decided to hold out until the arrival of the Rockies, with an expectation of not less than a 25 cent premium to wheat in that market. The late Liverpool cables quoted weaker markets there, with 5 cent decline, and Berlin was lower, with Paris from 20 to 30 cents declines. Among the only items that was at all bullish was the report of a heavy downpour at No. 1 Northern, June 19; 75¢; July 16; on track 86¢; No. 2 Northern, June, 93¢; on tracks 93¢.

MILWAUKEE Markets.
MINNEAPOLIS, June 24.—WHEAT—Dull; some buyers, some sellers; spot and far west, steady; No. 1 Northern, firm, 70¢ on track, 1,060¢; No. 2 Northern, 75¢; July, 76¢; on tracks, 86¢.

MINNEAPOLIS Wheat Market.
ST. LOUIS, June 24.—WHEAT—Easier; cash, 65¢; futures, 57¢; G.O.T. cash, 36¢; OATS: Eastern, cash, 36¢; PORK: Quiet; 37¢; BEEF: Extra-mass, 58¢; WHISKY: 31¢.

LIVERPOOL Markets.
LIVERPOOL, June 24.—WHEAT—Dull; holders moderately active; buyers, some; sellers, few; demand fallen off; mixed western, 84¢ per cent.

CINCINNATI Markets.
CINCINNATI, O., June 24.—WHEAT—Firm; No. 2, 62¢; spot supply, 7¢; No. 2 mixed, 58¢.

OATS: Quiet; No. 1 white, 45¢.

PROVISIONS: Steady; pork, July, 46¢.

BUTTER: Firm and unchanged; creamery, 16¢; dairy, 14¢; stock packed, 16¢; packing, 14¢.

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MILWAUKEE Markets.
MILWAUKEE, WIS., June 24.—WHEAT—Weak; No. 1 Northern, 70¢; July, 75¢.

OATS: Steady; No. 1 white, 45¢.

PROVISIONS: Steady; pork, July, 46¢.

WHISKY: 41¢.

Toledo Markets.
TOLEDO, June 24.—WHEAT—Lower; cash and June, 51¢.

OATS: Quiet; cash, 35¢.

COFFEE: Quiet; cash, 40¢.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

NEW YORK, June 24.—Wall street for the present seems as near being asleep as it is possible for the money centre of the continent to be, and the stock market reflects this uncertainty. There was no particular excitement in the market, with the exception of a small increase in the transaction and attention to the fluctuations. The trading element in the market, as is usual in times of dullness, favours the bear side for a turn and makes efforts to break prices every time a gold shipment is announced, but the demonstration reaches over little ground and soon dies away. The market is inactive, however, and the confidence of holders is shown only by the weakness in the grain pits. The trade was generally dull and Injustifications were confined to an extremely narrow range.

The leading features ranged as follows:

ARTICLES. OPEN HIGH LOW CLOSE.

WHEAT—No. 2	94	95	94 1/2	94 1/2
JUNE	90 1/2	93	92	92 1/2
JULY	90 1/2	92	90	92 1/2
AUGUST	88 1/2	88 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
SEPTEMBER	86	86	85	85
OCTOBER	85 1/2	85 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
NOVEMBER	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2
DECEMBER	82	82	81 1/2	81 1/2
JANUARY	80 1/2	80 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
FEBRUARY	78 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
MARCH	75	75	74 1/2	74 1/2
APRIL	72 1/2	72 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2
MAY	70	70	69 1/2	69 1/2
JUNE	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
JULY	67	67	66 1/2	66 1/2
AUGUST	65 1/2	65 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
SEPTEMBER	64 1/2	64 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
OCTOBER	63	63	62 1/2	62 1/2
NOVEMBER	61 1/2	61 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
DECEMBER	60 1/2	60 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2
JANUARY	59 1/2	59 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
FEBRUARY	57 1/2	57 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2
MARCH	55 1/2	55 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
APRIL	53	53	52	52
MAY	51 1/2	51 1/2	50	50
JUNE	48 1/2	48 1/2	46	46
JULY	46 1/2	46 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
AUGUST	44 1/2	44 1/2	43	43
SEPTEMBER	43 1/2	43 1/2	42	42
OCTOBER	42	42	41	41
NOVEMBER	40	40	39	39
DECEMBER	38 1/2	38 1/2	37	37
JANUARY	36 1/2	36 1/2	35	35
FEBRUARY	34 1/2	34 1/2	33	33
MARCH	32 1/2	32 1/2	31	31
APRIL	30	30	29 1/2	29 1/2
MAY	28	28	27	27
JUNE	25 1/2	25 1/2	24	24
JULY	24	24	23	23
AUGUST	22 1/2	22 1/2	21	21
SEPTEMBER	21	21	20	20
OCTOBER	19	19	18	18
NOVEMBER	17	17	16	16
DECEMBER	15	15	14	14
JANUARY	13	13	12	12
FEBRUARY	11	11	10	10
MARCH	9	9	8	8
APRIL	7	7	6	6
MAY	5 1/2	5 1/2	5	5
JUNE	4	4	4	4

Cash quotations were as follows:
FL—Butt and unchanged.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring wheat, 45¢; No. 3 wheat, 50¢; spot, No. 2 red, 60¢.

WHEAT—No. 2, 50¢; No. 3, 55¢.

OATS—No. 2, 53¢; No. 2 white, 40¢.

OATS—No. 1 white, 37¢; No. 1 yellow, 37¢.

RICE—2, 60¢; 3, 65¢.

BARLEY—2, nominal; No. 3, 55¢; No. 4, nominal.

NOMINAL—No. 1, 50¢.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, 1¢.

PORK: M. & P. ham, per barrel, 18¢.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: Butter, 16¢; short, 15¢; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 14¢; short clear sides (boxed), 16¢; dry salted.

WHISKY—Distilled finished goods, per gallon.

SUGARS—Cut loaf; unchanged; granulated; unchanged; standard "A"; unchanged; cut loaf and shipments.

COFFEE—Freshly packed; unchanged.

CHICAGO—Wheat—Dull; but steady.

CHICAGO—Cotton—Very weak.

CHICAGO—Corn—Very weak.

CHICAGO—Oats—Quiet; cash, 40¢.

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