

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Heavy Seaboard Clearances and Export Cause Moderate Advance in Wheat.

CORN MARKET OPENS EASY BUT REACTS

Grain Fluctuates in Accordance with Disturbances of Corn-Land. High Receipts Make Provisions Open Easy, but They Rally Later.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Grain was handled on a declining market during the early part of today's trading.

Trade, but local support developed on the break and the close was steady. Wheat closed at 75c, corn at 47c, and soybeans at 11c. Provisions were active, with a moderate advance in wheat.

February is down on the wheat speculator's calendar as a bear month and possibly to support a move to the lower side of the market.

Corn opened easier under the influence of the better grading of the cereal received today, there being fifteen cars of contract grade of a total of 14,000 bushels.

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in both staple and fancy lines and prices without material change. Further inquiries in the market after brown options for Chicago and some other markets.

MOVEMENTS IN STOCKS AND BONDS.

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OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Beef Steers Slow but Steady and Cows Strong and Active.

HOGS FIVE TO SEVEN AND A HALF LOWER

Liberal Receipts of Sheep and Demand Was in Good Shape and Market Ruled Active and Stronger All Around.

RECEIPTS: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep. OFFICIAL MARKET: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep. SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 27. Receipts were: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep.

Three days this week, 8,826 28,018 15,471. Same days last week, 8,826 28,018 15,471. Same three weeks ago, 8,826 28,018 15,471.

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ST. JOSEPH LIVE STOCK MARKET. SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Feb. 27.—(Special.) CATTLE RECEIPTS: 1,400 head.

PRISONER IS OF GOOD NAME

Man Arrested at Bonner Springs, Kansas, for Threatened Kidnaping is Respected Citizen.

BONNER SPRINGS, Kan., Feb. 27.—Mr. D. Bearden, a respected citizen, is under arrest here for connection with an attempt to force \$1,000 from Frank Warner, cashier and principal owner of the bank at this place.

Bearden had received a letter headed "Money or Death," and dated "Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 25." It recited that the writer was a member of a gang of five men, intended to kidnap the banker's son and hold him for ransom, unless he placed \$1,000 in gold in a sack and placed it in a box, to be sent to the Old Fellows hall, a short distance from the business part of town.

The letter continuing, drops mention of kidnaping, and says: "If you fall in any point or if you make any part of this letter known to any one, your name, your house will be blown up with dynamite, and all the folks will be killed. Do your part as told or if you don't your days are numbered."

Mr. Warner took a few friends into his confidence, and the gold and had it on display in the bank. Later he filled the bag with slugs and deposited it as directed, David Wood concealing himself nearby. The steps led up to the lodge rooms of the "Old Fellows" lodge, of which Bearden was a member. It was on the night of the regular day meeting and when he had concluded Bearden was the last man to leave the building.

Bearden, according to Wood, drew out the bag and started away, when Wood ordered him to halt. Bearden, it is said, threw the heavy bag by Wood and ran. He was taken in charge by Deputy Sheriff Whitford. Bearden has lived in Bonner Springs for fifteen years and has borne a good reputation. He has a wife and two children.

WILL NOT INVESTIGATE BANK COMMITTEE

Committee Appointed to Look Into Zion City Institution Not to Act.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 27.—The affairs of Dr. Alexander Dowie's Zion National bank will not be investigated by the Illinois legislature. Attorney General Hamilton today furnished an opinion to Chairman Keating of the committee appointed to report on the Dowie institution, holding that the committee had no power to compel attendance of witnesses, nor can the committee take any action to force the committee.

THREE HUNDRED KINDS OF WASHINGTON LAUNDRY MACHINERY.

Some idea of the variety in which laundry machinery is now made is given by the fact that the Washington Laundry Co. has in stock to be found about 300 numbers. One maker produces washing machines of different sizes, and another makes them adapted to all manner of uses.

OMAHA & ST. LOUIS WABASH R.R. Washington, D. C. and return \$32.25 on sale February 28th, March 1st and 2nd. Tourist rates now on sale to Arkansas, Florida, Cuba and other winter resorts of the south. Homeeaker's excursions one fare plus \$2 for the round trip, on sale first and third Tuesday each month to many points south. All information at city ticket office, 1415 Farnam street, (Paxton hotel block) or write Harry E. Moores, G. P. & T. A., Omaha, Neb. JAMES E. BOYD & CO. COMMISSION, GRAIN, PROVISIONS AND STOCKS. Correspondence: John A. Warren & Co Direct wires to Chicago and New York