

## CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Jobbers Have Only Good Reports to Give Out Regarding Trade.

## LOCAL RETAILERS FAIRLY WELL PLEASED

Country Buys Freely of All Manner of Merchandise—War Tax Creates Important Changes in Values—Bank Clearings Large.

The general business situation as regards local trade was most encouraging last week, in spite of rainy days and all other hindrances. The large crowds of country people that visited the exposition, especially on Nebraska day, created free buying in all retail departments and more than made up for the loss of business that might have resulted from city shoppers being kept at home by rain.

Bank clearings for the week were large, running considerably above the million-dollar mark, and indicating beyond all semblance of a doubt the improved condition of business operations in general.

## The Jobbers and Manufacturers of the City Continue to do a Most Satisfactory Business and It is so Long Since Any Complaints have been heard that their sound name has almost forgotten.

## Values About Steady.

Prices on wholesale groceries remain about steady except on those lines which will be affected by the new tax. Some are on a few other classes of goods that are constantly fluctuating with changing conditions. Tobacco is one of the lines that has already had a rise of 10 per cent. law and while several of the larger manufacturers have not issued a new selling card, all those that have are taking up the full amount of the tax, which is 5 cents per pound. The other manufacturers, it is expected, will do the same, the rate of cents per pound, however, cannot be fixed on raw stocks to be quoted from \$5 cents to 5 cents higher than was a week ago. Futures, however, are not yet fixed.

The stamp tax, which goes into effect July 1, will exert a wide influence on all goods other than foodstuffs, which are sold in bulk at trade prices. It will alter brand names a great many articles that are used in everyday life, such as ink, matches, soap, both laundry and toilet articles, and a host of hundred other lines of that sort. It is estimated that the tax will increase the cost of goods from 10 to 15 per cent, but it is causing no stir in the market, and on a small trade closed unchanged for July at 25¢.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, \$1.30; pale, 100 lbs., \$1.40; 100 cwt., \$1.40; Pacific coast, 185¢, 28¢c.

WOOL—Quiet; fleeces, 16@20¢c; Texan, 12@

boxes, 10c; 5-crown, 44-lb. boxes, 13c; 2-lb. boxes, 22@25¢c per box; California, 10-lb. boxes, \$1.10.

HONEY—Choice white, 12c; Colorado amber, 16@17c; Per lb., \$3.00; per half lb., 12.25.

DATES—Halowee, .60 to 70-lb. boxes, 5c; Sair, 5c; Pari, 9c; boxes, 5c; 12c; 14c; 16c; 18c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—1 green hide, 65c; No. 1 salted hide, 90c; No. 2 salted hide, 80c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs.; 2 veal calves, 12 to 15 lbs., 7c.

TALLOW—No. 1, 2c; tallow, No. 2, 2c; tallow, No. 3, 2c; tallow, No. 4, 2c; tallow, 12c; yellow and brown, 12c; white, 12c@13c.

SHEEP WELTS—Green salted, each, 15¢c; green salted shearings (short woolled skins), each, 15¢c; dry shearings (short wooled skins), No. 1, each, 50¢; dry fine, Kansas and Nebraska mutton pelts, per lb., actual weight, 45¢c; dry fine, Kansas and Nebraska mutton pelts, per lb., actual weight, 45¢c; dry fine, Kansas and Nebraska mutton pelts, per lb., actual weight, 45¢c; raw fine, 10¢c; raw fine, 12c; raw fine, 14c; raw fine, 16c; raw fine, 18c; raw fine, 20c; raw fine, 22c; raw fine, 24c; raw fine, 26c; raw fine, 28c; raw fine, 30c; raw fine, 32c; raw fine, 34c; raw fine, 36c; raw fine, 38c; raw fine, 40c; raw fine, 42c; raw fine, 44c; raw fine, 46c; raw fine, 48c; raw fine, 50c; raw fine, 52c; raw fine, 54c; raw fine, 56c; raw fine, 58c; raw fine, 60c; raw fine, 62c; raw fine, 64c; raw fine, 66c; raw fine, 68c; raw fine, 70c; raw fine, 72c; raw fine, 74c; raw fine, 76c; raw fine, 78c; raw fine, 80c; raw fine, 82c; raw fine, 84c; raw fine, 86c; raw fine, 88c; raw fine, 90c; raw fine, 92c; 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