Four Firemen Are Overcome

25 Men Escape Lightly Clad From Smoke-Filled Lodging House—Fair Store Damaged.

Four firemen were overcome by smoke while fighting a stubborn fire in the basement of the Fair store, Twelfth and Farnam streets, at 1 a. m. yesterday. In the People's lodging house on the second floor, 25 men, awakened from sleep, had to battle their way down a smoke-filled stairway to the street.

Firemen had difficulty in entering the basement and were forced to cut holes in the sidewalk. Men from station No. 1, under command of Capt. Julius Donnermeyer, entered the building through one of the holes. The dense smoke and escaping gas forced them temporarily from the basement.

Noticing his men staggering from the effects of the gas, Captain Donnermeyer ordered them out. Before they could clamber up the narrow opening three were overcome. Jay Frink became lost by his comrades and the captain led a rescue crew to find him. The others overcome were Ben Meister and William Huston. Captain Donnermeyer refused to leave until all of his men were out and he himself fell a victim of the gas.

The injured men were all taken to the police station for emergency treatment. Frink was temporarily delirious from the gas.

F. A. Potter of Council Bluffs discovered the fire while waiting for a street car to take him home, when the smoke began seeping from the windows. He turned in an alarm and then sought to arouse the lodgers on the second floor. The street entrance door was bolted on the inside, and he hurled a paving brick through the window.

The lodgers, many clad in little more than the smoke through which they were forced to battle their way, rushed down the stairway. The dense smoke kept them from finding the door bolt.

John Henson, a burly lumberjack from the north woods, who was a lodger, backed away from the door and with a rush hurled himself against it. The human battering ram proved sufficient and with a crash the door gave way and liberated the men from the smoke-filled building to the near-zero temperature of the street.

A police patrol wagon was rushed to the scene and with blankets gave the men protection until they could be taken to the police station, where they were housed for the night.

The stock of goods in the Fair store was damaged to the extent of several thousand dollars by smoke and water.

Economical Selling Plan Is Aim of Grocers' Body

A new departure in grocery store service has been brought about by the co-operative effort of a number of Omaha establishments in an organization known as the Handy Service Stores.

The Handy Service Stores are not "chain stores." They are independently owned and the man in the store is the owner. This organization has been formed by a number of established dealers solely for the purpose of working out the most effective and economical selling plan possible. By co-operation many duplications of expense and the saving that will be effected will go to customers in lower prices.

The Handy Service Stores are designed to be just what the name implies. Delivery service is maintained, credit given and telephone accomodations fulfilled. Membership stores are divided into districts for convenience sake.

District representatives of the organization are: Phil Saks, South Omaha; Carl Stahmer, south; B. Newman, southwest; James L. Petty, central; F. C. Wolf, Benson; S. Sommer, Dundee; George Moeller, north; H. J. Knudson and I. Moskovitz, representing the Omaha Groceryman's association.

Lone Bandit Robs Mail Express Car in Canada

Regina, Sask., Feb. 1.—A lone masked robber, who bound Paul Venzke, express messenger on train No. 6 of the Canadian National railway, to a steam pipe and gagged him with a handkerchief, escaped with several thousand dollars between Prince Albert, Sask., and here this evening.

The robber boarded the train at Condie, 10 miles north of Regina. Some time later he managed to work his way to the front of the train and open the door of the express car. He carried a revolver and ordered Venzke to hold up his hands. When the messenger did as ordered, the bandit bound him to the steam pipe with a clothes line and gagged him. The the robber took the keys from Venzke's pockets and looted the safe of the express packages.

Births and Deaths.

Births.

Carl and Hilma Bjornberg, hospital, girl.

Gilbert and Joe McMurray, 2810 North 15th St., boy.

Den and Katherine Kapelzo, 2009 Dorcas St., boy.

Leo and Catherine Krakowski, 2902 Clarkson Ave., girl.

Peter and Marian Polito, 1228 South 12th St., boy.

Deaths.

Billie Lee Whiteside, infant, 4819 South 25th St.

Earl Burdick Gaddis, 37 years, hospital.

Sarah J. Beveridge, 79 years, 2307 Arbor St.

Bertha E. Nygaard, 33 years, 4316 Chicago St.

Josephine Conn, 62 years, 3181 Farnam St.

Edwin Beele, 67 years, Gretna, Neb.

Anton Hemmer, 74 years, hospital.

Salvatore, Piccolo, 52 years, 1313 South 12th St.

Frank Sedlacek, 53 years, 5014 South 19th St.

Marriage Licenses.

John Watson, 37, Des Moines, Ia., and Mamie Kime, 25, Des Moines, Ia.

Elbert H. Kinn, over 21, Omaha, and Rose Riley, over 21, Omaha.

Verner O. Lundberg, 28, Newhawka, Neb., and Ruth E. Harshman, 21, Nehawka, Neb., 21.

Edward Berlett, over 21, Cleveland, O., and Anna Pillar, over 21, Avery, Neb.

Emmet Bush, 26, Sioux City, Ia., and Daisy Kinsinger, 24, Ness City, Kas.

Louis Votava, 33, Thurston, Neb., and Louise Matters, 30, Thurston, Neb.

Henry B. Neef, 28, Omaha, and Helen R. Gooch, 24, Omaha.

MARKET, FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL NEWS OF THE DAY

Omaha Grain

Omaha, Feb. 2, 1923.

Omaha receipts today totaled 150 cars, against 117 cars last year. Total shipments were 146 cars, as compared with 131 cars a year ago.

Cash wheat on the Omaha market was in fair demand, with prices unchanged to 1c higher. Corn was strong, unchanged to 1c up, being generally ½c to 1c higher. Oats were unchanged to ½c lower. Rye was quoted firm and unchanged, and barley nominally unchanged.

Early prices in the Chicago futures market were somewhat lower, being influenced by Liverpool wheat market not responding fully to our advance of yesterday. Large shipments of wheat from Argentine was also a feature. New crop months of wheat displayed a somwehat steadier undertone owing to a forecast for a cold wave in the southwest. Advices from Argentine later in the day stated, while some rain had fallen, it was probably too late to do much good, and that actual damage had already resulted to their corn crop. This news resulted in a stronger and higher corn market and other grains sympathized to some extent.

The session as a whole was rather a tame affair, with prices at the close not much changed from yesterday.

WHEAT.

No. 2 dark, hard, 1 car, $1.21, special billing; 1 car, $1.19.

No. 1 hard winter, 1 car, $1.13.

No. 2 hard winter, 3 cars, $1.14, semi-dark; 2 cars, $1.10.

No. 3 hard winter, 1 car, $1.14, 63 per cent dark; 1 car, $1.12, 40 per cent dark; 1 car, $1.10; 1 car, $1.16, 70 per cent dark.

No. 4 hard winter, 1 car, $1.06, 1 per cent heat damaged.

No. 5 hard winter, 1 car, $1.08; 1 car, $1.00, heat damaged.

No. 2 yellow hard, 1 car, $1.10.

No. 3 yellow hard, 1 car, $1.09.

No. 1 spring, 1 car, $1.18, dark northern.

No. 2 durum, 1 car, 99c, amber.

CORN.

No. 1 white, 2 cars, 67¼c.

No. 2 white, 1 car, 67½c, 12.80 moisture; 2 cars, 67c.

No. 3 white, 1 car, 66½c.

No. 6 white, 1 car, 64½c.

No. 2 yellow, 4 cars, 67c; 2 cars, 67½c.

No. 3 yellow, 1 car, 65c, special billing; 14 cars, 66¼c; 1 car, 66¼c, 17.00 per cent moisture.

No. 4 yellow, 2 cars, 66c.

No. 2 mixed, 5 cars, 66¼c.

No. 3 mixed, 1 car, 65½c, special billing; 1 car, 66¼c; 2 cars, 66c.

No. 4 mixed, 2 cars, 65½c.

OATS.

No. 2 white, 1 car, 43½c; 1 car, 43c.

No. 3 white, 2 cars, 42c; 1 cars, 41½c; 2 cars, 41½c heat damaged; 2 cars, 41½c; 1 per cent heat damaged.

No. 4 white, 3 cars, 41c; 2 cars, 40½c, heat damaged; 1 car, 41¼c, special billing.

RYE.

No. 2, 1 car, 80c.

BARLEY.

No sales.

OMAHA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS. (CARLOTS.)

Receipts—	Today.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
Wheat	31	37	37
Corn	73	118	64
Oats	41	24	14
Rye	5	2	2
Barley			
Shipments—			
Wheat	24	44	43
Corn	50	83	69
Oats	29	24	19
Rye	3	2	1
Barley			

PRIMARY RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS. (BUSHELS.)

Receipts—			
Wheat	989,000	864,000	861,000
Corn	958,000	11,130,000	2,398,000
Oats	742,000	692,000	687,000
Shipments—			
Wheat	456,000	570,000	617,000
Corn	770,000	766,000	1,254,000
Oats	562,000	713,000	489,000

EXPORT CLEARANCES.

Bushels—			
Wheat-Flour	245,000	.....	321,000
Corn	55,000	.....	26,000
Oats	192,000	.....	142,000

CHICAGO RECEIPTS.

Carlots—	Today.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
Wheat	30	15	17
Corn	110	185	752
Oats	62	83	118

KANSAS CITY RECEIPTS.

Carlots—	Today.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
Wheat	60	94	209
Corn	34	47	69
Oats	22	28	18

ST. LOUIS RECEIPTS.

Carlots—	Today.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
Wheat	83	65	61
Corn	122	71	141
Oats	72	55	31

NORTHWESTERN WHEAT RECEIPTS.

Carlots—	Today.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
Minneapolis	305	371	107
Duluth	174	164	18
Winnipeg	226	459	215

Boston Wool.

Boston, Feb. 2.—The Commercial Bulletin, Saturday, will say:

"The wool market has shown increased momentum during the past week and the market is continuing to strengthen. There has been an especial tendency on the part of low grade wools, both scoured and greasy, to appreciate, and the market tendency beyond any question is upward all along the line, reflecting a healthy tone in the market for goods and a general belief that the position of raw materials must force prices higher.

"Some contracting in Utah. Nevada and Wyoming is reported at prices varying from 35 to 45½c, although the entire business done thus far does not appear to have exceeded 250,000 pounds, a negligible quantity.

"The foreign markets have generally held firm. With prices edging possibly a bit higher in the primary market, although values in London on the continental types of wool have been decidedly irregular, there has evidently been more or less uncertainty in these wools on account of the continental political situation.

"Mohair has been rather slow and hardly changed in price, although Mohair oils have been very active."

The Commercial Bulletin will publish wool quotations as follows:

Wisconsin-Michigan delaine, 48@50c; ¾ blood, 53@54c; ¼ blood, 50@51c.

Scoured Basis—Texas fine 12 months, $1.38@1.42; fine 8 months, $1.25@1.28.

California Northern, $1.35@1.40; middle county, $1.20@1.25; southern, $1.00@1.05.

Oregon eastern No. 1 staple, $1.40@1.42.

Eastern clothing, $1.20@1.25; valley No. 1, $1.20@1.25.

Fine and fine medium combing, $1.25@1.35.

Territory fine staple choice, $1.42@1.45; half blood combing, 90@93c.

Pulled—Delaine, $1.40@1.43; AA, $1.35@1.45; A supers, $1.15@1.25.

Mohairs best combing, 78@83c; best carding, 70@75c.

New York Sugar.

New York, Feb. 2.—There was renewed strength and activity in the local raw sugar market, with Cubas advancing to the basis of 3¾c, cost and freight, equal to 5.53c for centrifugal and Porto Ricos to the same level. There were sales of 425,000 bags of Cubas and 100,000 bags of Porto Ricos to local refiners for February and March shipment.

The raw sugar futures market was strong and active with prices at one time showing advances of 10 to 18 points on heavy covering by shorts and buying by trade interests and commission houses, prompted by the advance in the spot market. There was a partial setback near the close under realizing, but final prices were 14 to 14 points higher. Closing: March, 3.69c; May, 3.77c; July, 3.88c; September, 3.96c.

The refined market was also firmer and prices were unchanged to 20 points higher, reflecting the advance in raw sugars. Fine granulated is now listed at 6.80c to 7.00c and while the domestic inquiry is said to be active, there was also some export business reported.

There were sales of one lot for May and one for June delivery in refined futures at 7.20c, which was 10 points above the previous close.

New York General.

New York, Feb. 2.—Wheat spot irregular; No. 1 dark northern spring domestic, $1.33½; No. 2 red winter, c. f. track, New York, export, $1.29¾; No. 2 hard, $1.27¾; No. 1 Manitoba, $1.31, and No. 2 mixed durum, $1.20½.

Corn—Spot, firm; No. 2 yellow and No. 2 white, c. i. f. New York, all rail, 91¾c, and No. 2 mixed, 91¼c.

Oats—Spot, firm; No. 2 white, 65½@66c.

Lard—Easy; middlewest, $11.55@11.65.

Other articles unchanged.

Chicago Grain

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Corn came to the fore as a leader in the grain markets, due to a revival in the demand for cash grain from exporters and reports of irreparable damage to the new Argentine crop from drouth and heat. There was persistent buying by strong commission houses and while profit taking was in evidence on the advance, the close was within a fraction of the top with net gains of ⅝@⅞c. Wheat was unchanged to ⅝c higher, oats ⅛@⅜c higher and rye ⅝c higher.

Spreading operations continue between Chicago and Winnipeg, the buying being done here, and the difference between the May delivery in the two markets widened to 57⅛c at the last, with Chicago July ⅝c over Winnipeg May, against even the previous day. Local traders were afraid to press the selling side freely as commission house buying orders appeared on all breaks. Aside from the prospect of a crop scare, due to a cold wave, the strength in exchange and the advance in corn, there was little in the news to induce heavy buying.

Export Demand Slow.

No improvement was shown in the export demand for cash wheat and resellers offered No. 2 hard and Manitobas afloat far below a replacement basis, and Argentine grain was reported as pressing for sale abroad. Premiums here were generally unchanged. Liverpool closed unchanged to ⅝d higher.

With Argentina cables claiming that a large portion of the new corn crop had been destroyed as the result of the lack of rain in January and with exporters bidding more strongly for cash grain in the face of reports that Danubian was offered abroad much lower than American, the corn crop market advanced readily to a new high on the present movement, and at the top showed ¼@⅝c under the best price of the season. Profit taking through commission houses checked the bulge at 74⅜c for all deliveries, and May was a fraction under July at the last. Buying, however, was of an excellent character throughout the day. Sentiment generally is bullish, and the run of news favored higher prices. Spot basis was unchanged to ⅛c better with receipts 188 cars.

Trade in oats was somewhat larger, in keeping with the activity in corn, but values did not respond very far, Minneapolis reported a better demand from Texas with the basis on choice grain there 1½c higher as compared with the May. Receipts, 114 cars.

Houses with seaboard connections were moderate buyers of rye and with wheat firm the advance was easily attained despite claims that Germany had bought 800,000 bushels from Russia. The two northwestern markets had 103 cars.

Pit Notes.

It is said by those in a position to know that the persistent buying of May wheat at Chicago which has so upset the trade of late has been largely in the way of back spreading between here and Winnipeg. It is understood that large amounts were spread when the difference between the two markets was 7 to 8c and later the difference narrowed to around 4c. The closing of the spreads has been on for some days and at the finish today Winnipeg May was 3¾c under Chicago. Some traders express the belief that until the spreading operations are completed wheat prices here will not decline materially despite the bearish news from abroad, but later they anticipate much lower prices unless the situation in Europe changes materially.

Eastern interests are regarded as having been the big buyers of corn today which was so effective in advancing prices to the high point. Bullish sentiment predominated in the close and Monday commission traders expect still higher prices. The local professionals who were good buyers of corn lower down were very confident of their position and said they believed that the long expected bull market had started.

Russia has an exportable surplus of 160,000 bushels grain over and above all actual requirements for 1923, according to a Russian foreign trade commission report. On the basis of wheat and rye this suggests a total surplus of 6,000,000 bushels. Recent cables said Russia was going to export around 12,000,000 bushels from the northern part of that country. Germany was reported as having bought 800,000 bushels rye from Russia today, making 1,600,000 bushels taken of late.

Several cars of Argentine flaxseed have arrived at Minneapolis in the past few days and further receipts are expected. Russia had an exportable surplus of 150,000 tons of oil seeds, according to an official report.

The Danube is offering barley on a liberal scale in the United Kingdom and it is coming into competition with corn for feeding purposes. Exports of barley from the Danube this week were 635,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CLOSING PRICES.

By Updike Grain Co. AT. 6312. JA. 2847.

Art.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes.
Wht.					
May	1.17⅜	1.18½	1.17½	1.18	1.17⅝
	1.17⅝			1.18⅛	1.18
July	1.12⅝	1.12⅝	1.12⅛	1.12⅝	1.12⅛
	1.12¼				
Sep.	1.09⅝	1.10	1.09½	1.09⅝	1.09⅜
Rye					
May	.87⅞	.87⅝	.87¼	.87⅝	.87¼
Corn					
May	.73⅞	.74⅜	.73⅝	.74⅝	.73⅝
	.73⅝			.74½	.73⅝
July	.73⅝	.74⅜	.73⅝	.74⅝	.73⅝
Sep.	.73⅝	.74⅜	.73⅝	.74⅝	.73⅝
Oats					
May	.44⅞	.45⅛	.44⅝	.44⅝	.44⅝
	.44⅝				
July	.42⅜	.42⅝	.42⅛	.42⅜	.42⅛
Sep.	.41¼	.41⅝	.41	.41⅛	.41⅛
Lard					
May	11.35	11.37	11.27	11.30	11.27
July	11.47	11.47	11.37	11.40	11.50
Ribs					
May	10.85	10.85	10.82	10.85	10.87

Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 2.—Wheat—Cash, No. 2 hard, $1.10@1.18; No. 2 red, $1.23@1.28.

Corn—No. 3 white, 70½c; No. 2 yellow, 71@71½c.

Hay—Unchanged.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 2.—Wheat—Close, $1.10⅛ asked; July, $1.05⅝; September, $1.03¼ bid.

Corn—May, 71½c bid July, 71½c split, bid; September, 71½c split asked.

Minneapolis Grain.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 2.—Wheat—Cash No. 1 northern, $1.16⅛@1.26⅛; May, $1.18⅜; July, $1.17¼.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, 62@65½c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 39¼@40¼c.

Barley—50@59c.

Rye—No. 2, 80⅝@80⅝c.

Flax—No. 1, $2.88⅝@2.90⅝c.

St. Louis Grain.

St. Louis Mo., Feb. 2.—Wheat—May, $1.16⅜@1.16½; July, $1.10.

Corn—May, 74⅜c; July, 74⅝c.

Oats—May, 46¼c.

Minneapolis Flour.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 2.—Flour—Unchanged to 10c higher; family patents, $6.60@6.85.

Bran—$27.00@28.00.

New York Cotton.

New York, Feb. 2.—Cotton futures ruled firm in moderate trading. After a recession of 5 to 12 points at the opening the list displayed a firm undertone and prices advanced 10 to 31 points above their early lows. Shortly before midsession, a little speculative short selling and profit taking by those who had purchased on Thursday's early decline caused quotations to ease off slightly from their highs. Wall street professionals and the trade were reported to be buying and some short covering was in evidence in the afternoon. Toward the close prices rallied and final figures were near the best levels of the day, 31 to 42 points higher on old crop months and 4 to 20 on the new crop options.

The local market for spot was steady, 35 points advance, 27.75c for middling uplands.

Southern markets: Galveston, 27.85c, 35 points advance; New Orleans, 27.62c, unchanged; Savannah, 27.72c, 30 points advance; Augusta, 27.88c, 25 points advance; Memphis, 28.13c, 25 points advance; Houston, 27.65c, 15 points advance; Little Rock, 27.50c, 25 points advance.

Chicago Potatoes.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Potatoes—Dull; receipts, 57 cars; total United States shipments, 687 cars; Wisconsin sacked round whites, 75@85c cwt.; Wisconsin bulk round whites, 80@90c cwt.; North Dakota sacked round whites, 80c cwt.; Minnesota sacked Red River Ohios, 90@95c cwt.; some field frosted, 50@80c.; Idaho sacked Russets, branded, $1.45 cwt.

Kansas City Produce.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 2.—Butter, Eggs and Poultry—Unchanged.

Omaha Live Stock

Omaha, Feb. 2.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Official Monday	10,086	9,871	8,370
Official Tuesday	7,813	12,434	13,808
Official Wednesday	5,360	15,462	10,264
Official Thursday	2,946	17,820	12,557
Estimate Friday	1,100	13,700	3,500
Five days this week	24,339	61,457	38,542
Same days last wk	37,311	83,421	57,907
Same days 2 w's a'o	36,072	72,041	48,620
Same days 3 w's a'o	32,898	73,633	60,202
Same day year a'o	25,900	47,932	42,270

Cattle—Receipts, 1,100 head. With another light run of cattle Friday the market showed still further improvement and prices were steady to strong for anything at all useful in the way of either beef steers or butcher stock. Quality of the offerings was indifferent as a rule and best beeves on sale brought around $8.80@9.10. With the advance of Thursday and Friday at least half of the decline of the first part of the week has been recovered. Stockers and feeders were in moderate supply, limited demand and dull 25@40c lower than a week or 10 days ago.

Quotations on cattle: Good to choice beeves, $8.65@9.85; fair to good beeves, $7.75@8.60; common to fair beeves, $6.75@7.75; good to choice yearlings, $8.50@10.00; fair to good yearlings, $7.00@8.35; common to fair yearlings, $6.00@7.00; good to choice heifers, $6.50@7.75; fair to good heifers, $4.75@6.50; good to choice cows, $5.25@6.25; fair to good cows, $4.00@5.10; common to fair cows, $2.50@3.75; good to choice feeders, $7.40@8.25; fair to good feeders, $6.60@7.35; common to fair feeders, $5.75@6.50; good to choice stockers, $7.30@8.25; fair to good stockers, $6.50@7.50; common to fair stockers, $5.50@6.50; stock cows, $3.25@4.50; stock heifers, $4.25@5.00; stock calves, $4.50@7.75; veal calves, $5.00@11.00; bulls, stags, etc., $3.75@5.75.

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
5	1058	$8 00	4	965	$8 25
19	1313	8 90	23	1024	9 10

STEERS AND HEIFERS.

14	731	7 00	10	782	7 15
12	650	7 25	10	678	7 35
21	660	7 50			

COWS.

5	984	4 50	5	1040	4 65
9	1222	5 00	24	990	5 70
4	1102	5 75			

HEIFERS.

6	908	4 25	4	837	4 50
4	700	4 75	9	1047	4 85
15	960	5 25	6	956	5 50
16	832	5 60	7	1288	5 75
4	890	6 25	13	800	6 50

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

9	933	7 65			

BULLS.

1	1580	4 20	1	1260	4 25
1	1360	4 50	1	1680	4 75

CALVES.

6	220	5 00	9	367	5 75
4	385	6 50	3	162	9 00
1	320	9 50	5	156	10 50

Hogs—Receipts, 13,700 head. There was a good demand again today from both shippers and packers and after a slow start trading was active. Lower reports from other markets and liberal receipts forced prices a little lower, bulk of trading about 10c lower. Light hogs and butchers sold largely at $7.85@7.95 with a top price of $8.00. Mixed loads sold at $7.85@7.95 with a top price of $8.00. Mixed loads sold at $7.50@7.80 and packing grades at $7.00@7.25. Bulk of sales was $7.85@7.95.

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
61	261	40	$7 60	45	256	...	$7 80
59	257	...	7 85	72	233	...	7 90
27	225	...	7 95	22	259	...	8 00

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 3,500 head. The light supply of lambs today moved readily at steady to strong prices with a good clearance made early. Bulk of movement was at $14.50@14.60, the latter top price. Feeders were steady to strong with best light lambs quoted at $14.75. Sheep were fully steady, best ewes here selling at $7.75 and handy weights quoted at $8.00.

Quotations on Sheep: Fat lambs, good choice, $14.00@14.60; fat lambs, fair to good, $13.25@14.00; feeder lambs, $13.75@14.75; yearlings, $11.00@12.25; wethers, $7.50@9.00; fat ewes, light, $7.25@8.00; fat ewes, heavy, $5.00@7.25.

WETHERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.
10	125	$8 50

FAT EWES.

420 fed	120	7 75

FAT LAMBS.

57 fed	79	13 50
201 fed	87	13 85

Receipts and disposition of livestock at Union stockyards, Omaha, Neb., for 24 hours ending at 3 p. m., February 2, 1923.

RECEIPTS—CARLOT.

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
C., M. & St. P. Ry.	2	21	..
Wabash R. R.		1	..
Union Pac. R. R.	14	50	..
C. & N. W. Ry., east	1	2	..
C. & N. W. Ry., west	17	53	..
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry.	1	14	..
C., B. & Q. Ry., east	2	4	..
C., B. & Q. Ry., West	2	18	10
C., R. I. & P. Ry., east	1	3	..
C., R. I. & P., west		1	..
Illinois Cen. Ry.	2		1
C., G. W. Ry.	6		..
Total receipts	48	189	17

DISPOSITION—HEAD

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Armour & Co.	332	2603	1438
Cudahy Pack. Co.	437	3178	964
Dold Pack Co.	131	65	..
Morris Pack Co.	229	1575	716
Swift & Co.	284	5680	1292
J. W. Murphy	..	96	..
Swartz & Co.	..	909	..
Ogden Pack Co.	5	..	..
Hoffman Bros.	..	2	..
Midwest Pack. Co.	11	..	..
Omaha Pack. Co.	2	..	..
J. H. Bulla	44	..	..
W. H. Check	1	..	..
John Harvey	13	..	..
T. J. Ingham	10	..	..
F. G. Kellogg	54	..	..
Joel Lundgren	7	..	..
Lehmer Bros.	86	..	..
J. B. Root & Co.	16	..	..
Rosenstock Bros.	12	..	..
Sullivan Bros.	4	..	..
Wertheimer & Degen	27	..	..
Other buyers	61	663	..
Higgins	..	64	..
Armour S. D.	..	2308	..
Neb. Cattle Co.	7	..	..
Total	1324	14143	5063

Chicago Livestock.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000 head; market, fairly active; beef steers and beef heifers, 10@15c higher; spots, more on beef steers; killing quality, plain; top yearlings, $9.90; best matured steers, $9.85; bulk beef steers, $8.00@9.30; mixed cows, canners and cutters, strong; bulls, weak to 15c lower; other classes, about steady; bulk canners, $3.00@3.15; bulk bologna bulls, around $4.50; few desirable heavy kind, $4.65; bulk vealers, $10.50@11.25; shippers upward to $12.50; bulk beef heifers, $8.00@7.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 49,000 head; market, closed weak, around 25c lower; 200 to 225-pound average, off more; bulk 140 to 180-pound averages, $8.25@8.40; top, 8.45 early; bulk 200 to 225-pound average, $8.10@8.20; bulk 240 to 300-pound butchers, $7.90@8.05; weighty packing sows, $6.75@7.00; desirable 130 to 150-pound pigs, mostly $7.75@8.00; estimated holdover, 12,000 head.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 8,000 head; fat lambs, uneven, generally steady; top, $15.25 to shippers, $15.10 packers; bulk fat woolled lambs, $14.50@15.10; clipped kind, $12.00@12.50; summer shorn, up to $13; practically no yearlings or aged wethers offered; sheep, steady to strong; choice 114-pound ewes, $8; two loads less desirable ewes, $7.50; heavy, generally $5.50@6.50; feeders, quiet, around steady.

St. Louis Livestock.

East St. Louis, Ill., Feb. 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,200 head; nominally steady; practically all cattle here to test market; one load steers brought $7.50; light mixed yearlings, $6.75; few calves, $8.25@8.50; some canners, $2.60@2.75; butcher bulls, up to $6.25; good and choice heifers, $7.50@8.00; stockers and feeders, dull.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 500 head; nominally steady; quote choice handy weights lambs, $14.50@14.75; medium to good, $13.50@14.50; cull and common, $9.50@13.00; choice and handy weight yearlings, $11.50@13.00; handy weight ewes, $7.50@7.75; heavies, $5.50@6.00; culls and common grades, $2.50@5.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 13,500 head; late market generally 25 to 50c lower; bulk heavy hogs showing greatest decline; practical top, $7.80; bulk 130 to 180-pound averages, $8.50@8.80; 190 to 220 pounds, $8.25@8.50; 280 pounds and up, $8.00@8.25; pigs, little changed; desirable, $8.75@10.25; packer sows, slow, weak; bulk, $7.15@7.25.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, Feb. 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,100 head; market fairly active; fully steady; quality common steers, $6.75@7.75; cows generally, $4.00@5.35; medium to good fed heifers, $6.50@7.00; canners and cutters, $2.25@3.50; good vealers, $10.00@10.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 7,000 head; shipper market 10 to 15c lower; top, $8.35; bulk of sales, $8.00@8.20; packer market, 20@25c lower; mostly 25c lower; packer top, $8.20; 130 to 190 pound weights, $8.25@8.35; desireable 210 to 270 pounders, $8.10@8.20; packing sows mostly 10c lower; bulk, $7.00@7.10; stock pigs steady, $7.50@8.00.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,000 head; lambs strong to 10c higher; best offered, $14.25; bulk, $14.00@14.25; sheep steady; ewes, $7.00.

Financial

New York, Feb. 3.—The action of today's market indicated something like the lifting of a fog from the financial mind. The vigorous advance, not only in the stock market, but in French, Belgian and even German exchange, and particularly in the French and Belgian "dollar bonds," which this week have been the principal target of the selling orders, was emphatic enough to mean in all probability a radical change in financial judgment.

Today's recovery was not the less impressive because it had no stimulus in the way of spectacular news from France, or Germany, or the Ruhr. The cables did, to be sure, report that the strikers in the railway and postal service in and around the Ruhr district were returning to work. But they also told of the establishment of a complete embargo against Germany, and this was the very circumstance to which, a few days ago, wall street was pointing as the probable signal for the crisis.

Situation Misjudged.

Probably the movement today will be best explained on the supposition that Wall street and the foreign exchanges had reached the conclusion overnight that the character of the Ruhr situation had been grossly misjudged, and that the markets had actually "over discounted" conditions and occurrences, none of which had materalized. Everyone familiar with speculative markets knows that there are times when the market moves because of financial interpretation of the news, and there are other times when speculators interpret the news wholly in accordance with the market's movement.

It was natural that the reversal of form in New York for French Republic bonds, should have reflected this altered viewpoint with special emphasis, because the selling of those securities had carried prices to a senseless level, even on the assumption of alarming results from the French occupation. Today's 1½ and 2 point rise in the 7½ and 8 per cents brought them to prices which showed the cancellation in three days of considerably more than half of the decline effected between January 2 and last Tuesday. Some of the Belgian bonds have made even more substantial recovery. The buying of these securities on the rise today was very large.

Francs Advance.

In some respects the movement of the foreign exchanges was still more interesting, because those have been more obstinate in resisting the impulse towards recovery. Today the franc advanced a little more than one-third of a cent, having at the day's best price scored an advance of ¼c since Wednesday and seemed to last week's rate. Sterling at 4.67, a rise of 1⅜c from the previous day's closing and of 4⅜c since Monday, reached the highest since the middle of January.

On our own stock market, the advance of prices was more or less irregularly distributed, but practically every stock moved up, a considerable number of them gaining 1 or 2 points. The stock market closed at or near the day's best prices; the foreign exchanges and the foreign bonds at some reaction from the highest. Now that the markets seem to have regained sense in the matter of the political aspects of the Ruhr occupation, they will be better able to take account intelligently of its economic aspects.

Wall Street Notes.

With new bond offerings for the last week, as compiled in the weekly bond table, totaling the smallest since the first of the year and showing no foreign financing of any kind, investment bankers are not inclined to take seriously the proposition of floating any kind of an Austrian loan in accordance with the decision of the council of the league of nations.

Since the beginning of the current year there has been about four advances in the price of midcontinent crude and about five advances in the prices of the various grades of crude oil produced in the eastern states. These advances have attracted considerable attention in financial circles because of the effect it is expected to have upon the large oil companies which produce the greater part of the oil consumed in this country and also upon the larger refining companies which have larger stocks of oil in storage, accumulated at the lower prices prevailing during 1922. The advances thus far announced, however, have resulted in less criticism than have many advances in other years. This, according to the opinion expressed in the trade, is due to the fact that the advances are considered justified.

New York Quotations

Range of prices of the leading stocks furnished by Logan & Bryan, 248 Peters Trust building:

RAILROADS.

	High.	Low.	Thursday Close.	Close.
A., T. & S. F.	101½	101½	101½	100⅝
B. & O.	47¾	46¾	47⅝	48⅛
Canadian Pacific	143½	142¾	143½	143¾
New York Central	96	94¼	94¾	94½
Ches. & Ohio	75	74¼	74½	74⅝
Great Northern pf	74⅝	74¼	74⅝	74⅝
K. C. Southern	21⅝	21⅜	21⅜	21⅝
Lehigh Valley	69¼	68¼	69¼	68½
Mo. Pacific	17½	17	17½	16⅝
N. Y. & N. H.	22	21½	21½	21¾
Northern Pacific	77⅝	73¾	74⅝	74⅝
C. & N. W.	91½	89⅝	91	90⅝
Pen