Livestock Rate Boost Unlikely, Browne Declares

Railway Commissioner Says Washington Report Is Only Finding of Examiner—Raise Not Probable.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Lincoln, May 18.—Thorne A. Browne, chairman of the Nebraska railway commission, asserted that in his belief press dispatches received from Washington this morning to the effect that the Enterstate Commerce commission had boosted livestock rates to Omaha and between Nebraska points were erroneous.

"The report of the interstate rate examiner has not been received here or examined by us," Browne said. "I think the report, when analyzed, will show no increases in revenues from shipments of Nebraska livestock, although there will be very many readjustments in rates involved.

Concur on Situation.

"The livestock situation in Nebraska is being handled concurrently by the Nebraska commission and the Interstate Commerce commission, and while findings of the examiner refer to intrastate shipments, his suggested conclusions are understood to relate entirely to interstate shipments. The Nebraska commission is dealing with the intrastate rate situation and will make such findings as are agreed upon after argument before the federal commission and the state commission.

"The press dispatches coincide with information in possession of the Nebraska commission that the examiner of the federal commission believes the only solution of the problem presented by the complaints and quarrels between markets is establishment of distance scales as a maximum on livestock from Nebraska points of origin to various Missouri river markets. In conferences so far held, a majority of the Nebraska commission has taken the position that no such extensive readjustments are necessary to correct inequalities complained of.

Conclusion Too Hasty.

"It is entirely too hasty a conclusion to say there is a rate boost on Nebraska livestock in prospect. Findings published are those of an examiner only, which will be subject to crutiny and argument of the commission.

"It is quite probable that arguments on this case will be listened to by the Nebraska commission under a plan, which, unless it goes astray, will call for concurrent action by the federal authorities on the interstate shipments, and by Nebraska authorities on intrastate shipments, so that the rate scheme from Nebraska stations to Missouri river will coincide whether the shipment is interstate or intrastate.

"This is the most important cooperative case that has, as yet, arisen, and in discussion so far as to what should be set up for purposes of argument, the federal commission has worked harmoniously with the Nebraska commission although ideas have not always been the same. The Nebraska commission does not think there is anything alarming to livestock shippers of this state in the present situation."

No Distinct Trend Seen in Bear Movements

New York, May 18. — J. S. Bache & Co. Weekly Review says: The market for each day is dominated by activity in depressing one after the other of those securities which present industrila groups that are affected more or less by the current reactionary conditions. Statistical and other data are enlarged upon to produce results. Steels, coppers, oils, chemicals, etc., each has its day for attack. Out of the bear movement no distinct trend is apparent. Rallies are not made convincing and reactions are not of particular importance. The market is drifting uncertainly, showing the lack in business of assured confidence and a disposition to proceed cautiously, until the problem of costs is better worked out.

Jailer Is Locked in Cell With Lucille Lombardi

John Brady, 62, veteran police officer and assistant jailer while placing Lucill Lombardi, charged jointly with Sebastinto Salerno for the murder of her common-law husband in a cell, left his keys in the door, which slammed shut. The keys were jarred from the lock and the spring catch securely fastened the door. Exit for the time was impossible.

When Charles Plotts, jailer, found Brady he was striving to get the key in the lock by reaching through the bars.

Nebraskan for 50 Years Dies in Local Hospital

Mrs. Barbara Guggenmos, 3848 Cass street, a Nebraska resident for 50 years, died Thursday evening at a local hospital after an illness of several months.

Mrs. Guggenmos came from Switzerland when she was 13 and located in Nebraska in 1873. Four sons and three daughters survive.

Funeral services will be held at the Hoffman chapel Sunday afternoon. Burial will be in St. Paul, Neb.

Births and Deaths.

Births.

Winclan and Henritta Janda, 4108 Mid City avenue, girl.
Paul and Mabel Hakenholz, 2624 Adams street, boy.
George and Florence Berg, hospital, boy.
Wilmer and Tilda Sandstedt, 4541 South Nineteenth street, boy.
Bernard and Blanche O'Grady, 1850 North Seventeenth street, boy.
Oscar and Caroline Budinske, South Fifty-seventh street, boy.
Ross and Ethel Ferris, hospital, boy.
George and Violet Crandall, 2118 South Thirteenth street, boy.
Abraham and Sylvia Cohen, 1428 North Twentieth street, girl.
Anton and Josephine Montia, hospital, boy.
Ralph and Gladys Gould, hospital, boy.

Deaths.

George T. Robinson, 50, 2508 Burdette street.
Louis Kaplan, 51, 2127 Douglas street.
Hubert Bascombe, 85, 2601 Newport Avenue.
Joshua Andrews, 60, hospital.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses have been granted to the following persons:

Carl W. Winther, 22, Omaha, and Alice L. Winther, 23, Omaha.
David R. Barclay, 33, Omaha, and Thelma M. Brison, 22, Omaha.
Richard P. Duffy, 26, Omaha, and Dorothy La Verne Gibson, 24, Omaha.
J. Harry Morris, over 21, Omaha, and Vesta E. Obrist, over 21, Malvern, Ia.
Robert H. Harper, 22, Omaha, and Grace Green, 18, Omaha.
Diludelpo Calata, 27, Omaha, and Maria Marienia, 21, Omaha.

Omaha Grain

Omaha, May 18.

Total receipts at Omaha were 33 cars, against 149 cars last year. Total shipments were 73 cars, against 230 cars a year ago.

Cash wheat on the Omaha market was in fair demand at unchanged to 1c lower. Corn sold 1c to 2c lower and oats unchanged. Rye was quoted nominally 1c lower and barley nominally unchanged.

After an initial setback due to more favorable weather, the Chicago futures market developed strength and prices recorded a sharp upturn to around yesterday's high levels. Reports of deterioration continue to come from Kansas, but the buying orders accompanying these reports were not so numerous as yesterday. Local traders are not inclined to put much dependence in pessimistic crop reports and were free sellers on the bulge.

The market was a nervous affair, but worked within a narrow range. Later in the day a sharp break was caused by the publication of an estimate of 120,000,000-bushel crop of wheat for Kansas by a prominent Kansas City house and final prices were about the lowest of the day.

Winnipeg wires that weather throughout Canada is cold. Wheat is practically all sown and figures on acreage should be available soon. It is expected there will be small decrease in wheat and increase in coarse grain acreage and flax.

George M. Lecount wires from Vincennes, Ind: Most wheat from Terre Haute here and in this territory is looking good. Some fields are thin, but the average indicates nearly a normal crop. Early wheat in the boot in this territory. Oats coming on fine. Never saw old corn so scarce. Weather clear and favorable.

The Rock Island railroad report says of conditions in southwest portion of Kansas: Recent rains have been beneficial to all growing crops, but recent freeze did some damage in low lands. Wheat is looking fine and prospects very good. Oats are in fair condition. Planting of corn well under way and some of the corn is up, showing a good stand.

Modern Miller Crop Outlook says: Weather has been too cool in the winter wheat belt for the best progress of the crop as the growth is backward in most sections. Supply of moisture is now ample over the important areas.

Generally favorable reports come from Oklahoma, Missouri and eastern half of Kansas. Conditions are irregular in the district east of the Mississippi.

Spring wheat seeding practically completed and crop up to a good stand in southern sections.

Government regional survey period, May 1 to 15, for Minnesota, North Dakota and Montan (South Dakota report not received):

Seeding of small grains 50 to 75 per cent completed in northwestern Minnesota. Generally finished elsewhere with good stand and color in lower half of state. In North Dakota valley counties mostly through with wheat seeding which ranges between 60 and 90 per cent for western two-thirds, while early oats and barley have made proportionate progress. Seeding of late varieties still general. In Montana small grain seeding still on in northwestern and south-central sections and in all the higher regions. Continued cold weather is considered favorable to stooling and root growth of early seedings in North Dakota and Montana. Winter wheat growing well in central important section with rye poor to fair in north-central and northern counties.

Export Demand—Russells News, New York, wires: There was evidence of a little business in wheat but nothing important. Foreign markets practically closed until next Tuesday. One exporter said sales of wheat had been made to the United Kingdom at about 2 cents less than it was worth here. Germany bought some rye.

Van Dusen-Harrington Crop Report says: While conditions have been favorable the past week for farm work and much accomplished, the weather has been unseasonable. Nights cold and freezing temperatures reported from many districts. However, not believed growing grain or fruit been affected. Oats, barley show good condition. Reports from southern Minnesota and South Dakota indicate wheat shows excellent stand and color and is from 4 to 6 inches high. North Dakota and Montana probably all wheat and durum seeding that is contemplated will be completed by May 20.

WHEAT.

No. 3 dark hard: 1 car (smutty), $1.19.
No. 2 hard winter: 1 car (shippers' weights), $1.18; 2 cars, $1.14¼; 1 car, $1.14.
No. 5 hard winter: 1 car (smutty, live weevils, 1.6 per cent heat damaged), $1.09.
No. 3 mixed: 1 car, $1.09.

CORN.

No. 2 white: 1 car, 84c.

OATS.

No. 3 white: 2 cars, 43c.
No. 4 white: 1 car, 42¼c; 1 car, 42¼c.

OMAHA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS. (Carlots.)

Receipts—	Today.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
Wheat	15	33	69
Corn	14	15	58
Oats	6	7	21
Rye		3	
Barley		1	25
Shipments—			1
Wheat	31	54	66
Corn	26	41	112
Oats	16	23	27
Rye		1	25

PRIMARY RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS. (Bushels.)

Receipts—	Today.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
Wheat	749,000	865,000	1,036,000
Corn	193,000	518,000	645,000
Oats	389,000	421,000	854,000
Shipments—			
Wheat	1,483,000	511,000	820,000
Corn	436,000	647,000	561,000
Oats	457,000	669,000	990,000

EXPORT CLEARANCES. (Bushels.)

Wheat-Flour	208,000	656,000
Corn	60,000	60,000
Oats	60,000	247,000

CHICAGO RECEIPTS.

Carlots—	Today.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
Wheat	15	18	15
Corn	14	29	66
Oats	79	44	68

KANSAS CITY RECEIPTS.

Carlots—			
Wheat	89	74	146
Corn	8	35	69
Oats	15	15	7

ST. LOUIS RECEIPTS.

Carlots—			
Wheat	79	52	75
Corn	12	28	62
Oats	25	21	45

NORTHWESTERN WHEAT RECEIPTS.

Carlots—			
Minneapolis	142	125	168
Duluth	44	73	45
Winnipeg	199	358	389

Minneapolis Grain.

Minneapolis, Minn., May 18.—Wheat—Cash, No. 1 northern, $1.20¾@1.28¾; No. 1 dark northern spring, choice to fancy, $1.26¾@1.41¾; good to choice, $1.24¾@1.25¾; ordinary to good, $1.22¾@1.27¾; May, $1.20¾; July, $1.21¾; September, $1.19¾.
Corn—No. 3 yellow, $1@$1¼c.
Oats—No. 3 white, 39¾@40¾c.
Barley—83@86c.
Rye—No. 2, 74c.
Flax—No. 1, $2.93@3.02.

Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, Mo., May 18.—Wheat—Cash, No. 2 hard, $1.12@1.26, No. 2 red, $1.27@1.32.
Corn—No. 3 white, 85@86c; No. 2 yellow, 87@88c.
Hay—Steady to 50c lower; No. 1 timothy, $19.50@20.00.
Others unchanged.

Chicago Grain

By CHARLES J. LEYDEN.
By Universal Service.

Chicago, May 18.—Buying power in wheat again failed to follow the early advances, and when pressure was brought to bear the market flattened out, tumbled fast and closed weak and sharply lower. Locals swung to the bull side at the outset, in response to the unexpected firmness at Liverpool and the bad crop reports southwest.

Wheat closed 1¼c to 1⅞c lower, corn ¾c to 1c off, oats ¾c to 1c down, rye ¼c to ⅞c lower, and barley finished unchanged.

Outside speculative interest in grains was again disappointingly laggard. A contributing factor in the late setback was the private cables that Russia sold a cargo of wheat to Germany for approximately 15c under hard winter, f. o. b., the gulf. The desultory foreign demand for North American surplus offerings discouraged the bulls.

Pressure in Corn.

Corn held well during the early session when local bulls again supported the market, but the drop in wheat and the slump in the cash markets at Kansas City led to considerable pressure. Some reports have it that country offerings have shown a slight increase.

Oats were forced lower with other grains. News on this grain was featureless.

There was some fair buying of rye by Montreal exporters today but the setback in other grains encouraged scattered pressure from locals and commission houses, and the finish was lower.

Provisions eased in a dull session. Lard was unchanged to 5c lower and ribs were 7½c to 10c higher.

Pit Notes.

At best most of the trade is doubtful over the outlook for wheat in Kansas and other states of the southwest. Bullish news has bordered on the sensational the past few days, while in its trail invariably came credited reports which denied that the wheat plant was not in good shape and materially benefitted by recent moisture.

While the season is also late in the northwest and the acreage considerably short of last year, growing conditions have turned rather favorable, and it is too early for northwest prospects to be truly estimated. The result is that prices have been overly temperarily affected by news from that part of the country.

Private reports from Texas said that alarming advices of rust were heard in the central and eastern part of the state. Various messages were accompanied that wheat would not make more than five to seven bushels to the acre, not only in parts of Texas, but in Kansas also.

Weather conditions over the entire grain belt were more favorable, but the mixed crop news at the moment is unsettling sentiment, and until developments become more clearly defined, irregular price swings probably will be experienced.

Eastern messages credited people returning from Russia with stating that if the present crop matures well that country will have a fair amount of wheat for export this season.

CHICAGO MARKET.

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

Art.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes.
Wht.					
May	1.19⅝	1.20⅝	1.18	1.18	1.19⅝
July	1.17⅛	1.18⅛	1.16	1.16⅛	1.17⅛
	1.17⅝			1.16⅛	1.17⅝
Sept.	1.15⅝	1.16½	1.14½	1.14½	1.15⅝
	1.15⅝				1.15⅝
Rye					
May	.78⅛	.78⅛	.78⅛	.78⅛	.78⅛
July	.80⅝	.80⅝	.79⅝	.79⅝	.80⅝
	.80⅝				
Sept.	.81⅛	.81½	.80⅛	.80½	.81⅛
Corn					
May	.81⅝	.81⅝	.80⅝	.80⅝	.81⅝
July	.80⅝	.81¼	.79⅝	.80	.80⅝
	.80⅝				
Sept.	.79⅝	.80	.78⅝	.78⅝	.79⅝
	.79⅝			.78⅝	.79⅝
Oats					
May	.43	.43⅛	.42⅝	.42⅝	.43⅛
July	.42⅝	.42⅝	.42⅛	.42⅝	.42⅝
Sept.	.41¼	.41⅝	.40¾	.40¾	.41¼
				.40⅝	
Lard					
May	11.00	11.05	11.00	11.02	11.05
July	11.15	11.20	11.12	11.17	11.20
Sept.	11.40	11.42	11.40	11.42	11.42
Ribs					
May	9.05	9.05	9.05	9.05	8.95
July	9.12	9.20	9.12	9.17	9.10
Sept.	9.37	9.40	9.32	9.40	9.30

Corn and Wheat Bulletin.

For 24 hours ending at 8 a. m. Friday:

Stations of Omaha District	xHigh	zLow	100ths
Ashland	66	50	0.00
Auburn	58	48	0.06
Broken Bow	69	49	0.00
Columbus	57	50	0.00
Culbertson	65	50	0.00
*Fairbury	58	47	0.12
*Fairmont	63	43	0.02
Grand Island	64	49	0.00
Hartington	64	50	0.00
*Hastings	67	48	0.00
Holdrege	67	48	0.00
Lincoln	64	51	0.00
*North Loup	62	50	0.00
North Platte	68	50	0.00
Oakdale	73	50	0.00
Omaha	68	49	0.00
O'Neill	72	45	0.00
Red Cloud	61	45	0.05
Tekamah	68	49	0.00
Valentine	70	44	0.00

xHighest yesterday. zLowest during 12 hours ending at 8 a. m. 75th meridian time, except as noted.

Rainfall at Iowa tations.

Alta	0.00	Des Moines	0.00
Atlantic	0.00	Estherville	0.00
Carroll	0.00	Inwood	0.00
Clarinda	0.00	Sioux City	0.00
Creston	0.00		

Summary of Weather Conditions in Nebraska.

Somewhat warmer weather prevails over most of the state this morning.

Light showers fell at a few places in the southern portion.

New York Sugar.

New York, May 18.—The raw sugar market continued quiet and in the absence of business, prices were more or less nominal. Holders, however, were not pressing supplies and were inclined to await some improvement in the demand. On the other hand, refiners were not inclined to purchase until some improvement in the demand for the refined product develops, which is expected when the weather becomes more normal. It was believed that buyers would pay 4½c for cables, cost and freight, equal to 7.51c for centrifugal, while holders asked more.

The raw sugar futures market was firmer on continued bullish crop advices and a steadier feeling in the spot market. The opening was 4 to 6 points higher on renewed covering and reports that the secretary of agriculture of Cuba had estimated the final outturn this year of not in excess of 3,500,000 tons and the closing down of another central with an outturn of 35,000 bags below earlier estimates, attracted some little outside buying and prices at one time during the session showed advances of 23 to 26 points. The advances, however, met renewed liquidation and prices eased off from the best and closed net 12 to 21 points higher. Closing: May, 6.25c; July, 6.20c; September, 6.25c; December, 5.86c.

The market for refined sugar continued quiet and prices were unchanged at 8.50c to 8.90c for fine granulated. Second-hand sugars were selling as low as 7.25c, unchanged with sales of two lots for the day. The market for refined futures closed June delivery at 9.35c.

New York Coffee.

New York, May 18.—The market for coffee futures was quiet again today, with prices easier under a little scattering liquidation accompanied by talk of a somewhat easier tone in cost and freight offers.

The market opened at a decline of 3 to 16 points and active months sold 12 to 17 points net lower, with July touching 9.40c and December 9.69c. Last prices were practically the lowest for the day except May, which was nominally 15 points higher. July and later deliveries closed at net declines of 14 to 23 points. Sales were estimated at 5,000 bags.

Closing quotations: May, 9.90c; July, 9.40c; September, 8.48c; December, 8.03c; March, 7.90c; May, 9.24@7.90c.

Spot coffee, quiet; Rio 7s, 11⅜c; Santos 4s, 14¾c@15¼c.

Dun's Trade Review.

New York, May 18.—Dun's Saturday will say:

"In commercial channels, as in speculative markets, an undercurrent of uncertainty now is manifested. There seems to be more doubt about the probable course of prices of commodities and there also is more questioning as to the future of business generally. The developments of recent weeks have shown plainly enough that activities in different quarters are abating, and Dun's list of wholesale quotations has reflected the reversal of the price movement. The diminution of demand, however, has only come after a period of notably heavy purchasing, with new records attained in various instances and there is a divided opinion as to the real significance of the present change. Close observers of conditions do not overlook the fact that many requirements already have been uncovered for some time ahead, thus leaving less incentive for buyers to make additional commitments and the rise of 15 per cent in commodity prices in the last year likewise is being considered."

Weekly bank clearings, $7,354,968,000.

Turpentine and Ros'n.

Savannah, Ga., May 18.—Turpentine—Nominal, $1.12; sales, none; receipts, 474 bbls.; shipments, 514 bbls.; stock, 4,508 bbls.

Rosin—Firm; sales, 676 casks; receipts, 1,471 casks; shipments, 241 casks; stock, 59,416 casks.

Quote: B, $7.65@7.70; D, $7.65; E, $7.90; F, $8.00@8.05; G, $8.10@8.15; H, $8.25@8.30; I, $8.35@8.40; K, $8.50@8.55; M, $8.75@8.80; N, $8.90@8.95; WG, $8.20@8.25; WW, $8.15@8.20.

Omaha Live Stock

Omaha, May 18.

Receipts—	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Official Monday	6,754	11,462	12,900
Official Tuesday	8,269	9,765	9,826
Official Wednesday	6,917	11,806	10,184
Official Thursday	5,329	7,763	12,153
Estimate Friday	2,000	8,500	5,700
5 days this week	29,104	56,900	49,854
Same days last week	29,355	46,516	55,170
Same 2 weeks ago	33,587	64,407	49,126
Same 3 weeks ago	33,447	46,160	46,401
Same days last year	27,571	51,509	52,533

Receipts and disposition of livestock at the Union stockyards, Omaha, Neb., for 24 hours, ending at 3 p. m., May 18, 1923.

RECEIPTS—CARLOT.

	Cattle	Hgs.	Shp.
C. M. & St. P. Ry.	1	4	...
Mo. Pac. Ry.	7	5	...
C. P. R. R.	20	37	2
C. & N. W. east			2
C. & N. W. west	14	38	...
C. St. P. M. & O.	6	13	...
C. B. & Q. east	16	2	...
C. B. & Q. west	21	14	1
C. R. I. & P. east	3	2	...
C. R. I. & P. west	1	4	...
U. P. R. R.	2	2	...
C. G. R. R.		1	...
Total receipts	82	125	26

DISPOSITION—HEAD.

	Cattle.	Hgs.	Shp.
Armour & Co.	454	5344	2379
Cudahy Packing Co.	344	2291	2243
Dold Packing Co.	213	598	...
Morris Packing Co.	500	1560	1190
Swift & Co.	350	2151	9356
Midwest Packing Co.	5	....	....
O'Dea, P.	1	....	....
John Roth & Sons	12	....	....
Omaha Packing Co.	7	....	....
Murphy, J. W.	....	1571	....
Swartz & Co.	....	648	....
Lincoln Packing Co.	39	....	....
Nagle Packing Co.	22	....	....
Bulla, J. H.	8	....	....
Dennis & Francis	6	....	....
Harris, Jacob	3	....	....
Ingham, T. J.	3	....	....
Kirkpatrick Bros.	2	....	....
Longman Bros.	24	....	....
Luberger, Henry S.	10	....	....
Neb. Cattle Co.	17	....	....
Root, J. B. & Co.	23	....	....
Sargent & Finnegan	4	....	....
Smiley Bros.	23	....	....
Wertheimer & Degen	209	....	....
Other buyers	138	....	....
Total	7455	1202	8068

Cattle—Receipts, 2,000 head. Best steers were active and firm again today, but others sold more slowly and were no more than barely steady. Several lots of steers sold up to $10.00. She stock was very scarce and held about steady. Stockers and feeders were unchanged. All classes are higher for the week. On steers the gain amounts to 25@35c or more, while medium cows are strong and other classes of she stock 25c or more higher. Stockers and feeders closed 15@25c higher. Week's top on steers was $10.05.

Quotations on Cattle: Choice to prime beeves, $9.75@10.10; good to choice beeves, $9.35@9.65; fair to good beeves, $8.90@9.35; common to fair beeves, $8.25@8.85; choice to prime yearlings, $9.35@9.75; good to choice yearlings, $8.75@9.25; fair to good yearlings, $8.25@8.75; common to fair yearlings, $7.50@8.25; good to choice heifers, $8.25@9.00; fair to good heifers, $7.50@8.25; choice to prime cows, $7.50@8.25; good to choice cows, $6.25@7.40; fair to good cows, $5.50@6.00; common to fair cows, $4.00@5.00; good to choice feeders, $6.50@7.50; fair to good feeders, $6.25@7.50; common to fair feeders, $6.25@7.50; good to choice stockers, $6.00@6.85; fair to good stockers, $7.40@8.00; common to fair stockers, $6.75@7.35; stock cows, $4.00@6.25; stock heifers, $4.50@6.25; stock calves, $4.00@5.50; veal calves, $6.00@12.00; bulls, stags, etc., $4.50@9.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 8,500 head. Although the supply today was light demand was indifferent and trading was slow at mostly 5@10c lower prices. There was a fair demand from shippers for best light hogs and movement of this kind was largely at $7.20@7.25, with top price of $7.25. Bulk of hogs found outlet to local packers at $7.10@7.15. Bulk of all sales was $7.10@7.20.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 5,700 head. The country supply of lambs here for the closing session of the week met with good demand and trading was active at strong to 25c higher prices. California spring lambs made up the bulk of those offering and moved largely at $16.75. Fed clipped lambs sold at $14.75@15.00. Sheep were nominally steady.

Quotations on sheep: Fat lambs, good to choice, $14.50@15.00; fat lambs, fair to good, $12.00@14.25; spring lambs, $13.50@16.75; shearing lambs, $13.50@15.00; fat ewes, light, $6.50@7.50; fat ewes, heavy, $4.50@5.50.

Chicago Livestock.

Chicago, May 18.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000 head, all classes active; fully active, with week's advance; top, $10.35, weight, 1,440 pounds; several loads, $10.00@10.25; best yearlings, $9.50; 652 pound yearlings at $9.60, mostly heifers; bulk beef steers and yearlings, $8.50@9.65; few steers to killers except plain light kind; best beef cows and heifers numerous at $7.50@8.25; beef cows largely, $6.00@7.50; some heavy long fed Kosher cows shown $5.50; bulk veal calves to packers, $9.00@10.50; week end trade on stockers and feeders considerably more active than early clearance; all stocker and feeder division fairly active; good to choice quality, 600 to 800 pound steers, $7.25@8.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 25,000 head; slow, uneven; 10 to 2 lower, mostly 15 lower; top, $7.85; bulk 160 to 240 pound average, $7.75@7.80; 250 to 325 pound butchers, $7.50@7.70; packing sows mostly, $6.50@6.75; desirable 110 to 130 pound pigs, $7.50@7.75; estimated holdover six thousand.

Sheep and Lambs — Receipts, 9,000 head; slow, fed lambs and yearlings, around steady; spots strong; California wingers, 10 to 15 higher; few wooled Colorados and native scalpers; unevenly lower; bulk clipped lambs, $14.60@15.00; choice 81 pound Indiana fed, $15.40; bulk coiled lambs, $16.75; 100 to 110 pound clipped lambs, $15.75@16.00; fed yearlings, $13.50; handy, $12.00@13.50; few, $14.00@15.00; handy weight ewes, $7.50; eight double decks California springers, $17.50 with top 100 out at $12.00.

Kansas City Livestock.

Kansas City, Mo., May 18.—(U. S. Department of Agriculture)—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000 head; cows 300 head; half killing classes steady; steers and yearlings, $7.25@9.25; part load 1,091-pound quarantine steers, $9.00; good to choice grass cows, $6.25@7.25, averaging 850 to 1,177 pounds; most cows, $5.00@6.25; some Texas cows, $6.00; canners and cutters, $3.50@4.50; good bologna bulls, $5.00; choice vealers, $10.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,000 head; market 5c to 10c lower, mostly 10c lower to packers; top, $7.50; bulk 250 pound and heavier, $7.45@7.50; bulk of sales, $7.30@7.50; packing sows 10c to 15c lower, mostly 25@35; stock pigs steady; bulk, $6.50@6.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,000 head; no mature lambs offered; spring lambs steady; best natives, $17.00; sheep steady to 10c higher; shorn Texas wethers, $8.25; Texas ewes, $6.75; light Texas goats, $4.25.

Sioux City Livestock.

Sioux City, Ia., May 18.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,700 head; market fairly active; killers steady to strong; stockers slow and lower; fat steers and yearlings, $7.50@10.00; bulk, $8.00@9.50; fat cows and heifers, $6.00@8.50; canners and cutters, $2.00@4.75; veals, $5.00@12.00; feeders, $6.75@8.00; stockers, $6.00@7.85; stock yearlings and calves, $5.50@7.85; feeding cows and heifers, $4.00@6.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,000 head; market 10c to 15c lower top, $7.25; bulk of sales, $7.10@7.15; light, $7.15@7.25; butchers, $7.10@7.15; thick mixed, $6.50@7.00; heavy packers, $6.50@6.85; stags, $4.50@5.25.

Sheep—None.

St. Louis Livestock.

East St. Louis, Ill., May 18.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,800 head; native steers, strong; spots, 15c higher; top, 9.75; bulk, $7.25@9.00; canners and cutters, 50c to strong; bulk, $6.90@7.55; other classes steady; two loads Angus heifers, $9.25; few cows, $5.75@6.75; canners, $2.50@3.50; one load bulls, $5.40; light veal calves, $10.50@10.75.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,500 head; slow, few early sales 5c lower; general market, 10c to 15c lower; top, $7.85; bulk sales all weights, $7.75@7.80; choice weights butchers slightly higher; packer sows, steady; bulk desirable 110 to 130-pound pigs, $6.25@7.00; bulk packer sows, $6.25.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 1,000 head; general market steady; top spring lambs, $17.25; bulk, $17.00@17.25; two decks clipped lambs, $14.85; no good lightweights on sale; few choice light heavy ewes, $7.50; bulk light clipped, $7.00; medium weight and heavies, $6.00.

New York General.

New York, May 18.—Wheat—Spot, easy; No. 2 red winter c. i. f. track New York domestic, $1.01¼; No. 1 dark northern spring, c. i. f. New York export, $1.49¼; No. 2 hard winter do, $1.33⅝; No. 1 Manitoba do, $1.35, and No. 2 mixed durum do, $1.28⅝.

Corn—Spot, easy; No. 2 yellow and No. 3 white, c. i. f. New York rail, $1.01¼, and No. 2 mixed do, $1.01¼.

Oats—Spot easy; No. 2 white, 54c.

Lard—Easy; middlewest, $11.60@11.70.

Tallow—Weak; special loose, 6¼c; extra, 7¼c.

Other articles unchanged.

New York Produce.

New York, May 18.—Butter—Unsettled; creamery, higher than extras, 41¾@42¼c; creamery extras, 41¼c; creamery firsts, 40¼@41c.

Eggs—Firm; fresh gathered extra firsts, 21½@22c; fresh gathered seconds, lower grades, 22¾@24c; Pacific coast whites, extras, 26½@28½c; Pacific coast whites, firsts to extra firsts, 24½@26c.

Cheese—Firm; state whole milk flats, fresh, fancy, 22¾@23c; state whole milk flats, average run, 22@22¼c.

New York Money.

New York, May 18.—Call money, firmer; high, 4½ per cent; low, 4½ per cent; ruling rate, 4½ per cent; closing bid, 4½ per cent; offered at 4½ per cent; last loan, 4½ per cent; call loans against acceptances, 4 per cent; time loans steady; mixed collateral, 60-90 days, 5@5½ per cent; 4-6 months, 5@5½ per cent; prime commercial paper, 5 per cent.

Liberty Bond Prices.

New York, May 18.—Liberty bond prices at 1 p. m.: 3½s, 101.00; 4¼s, 98.24; second 4¼s, 97.22; third 4¼s, 98.15; fourth 4¼s, 97.30; Victory 4¼s, 100.00; United States government 4½s, 99.11.

Financial

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New York, May 18—The "buyers' strike" again extended to the stock market today, total transactions being only slightly above the half million share mark, or the smallest for any full session this year. With the exception of the copper group most sections showed heaviness, so that net losses dominated at the close.

Early strength created some hopes of a resumption of the upward trend, but heaviness again appeared in the late trading. Even the rail department, which has shown firmness the last few days, showed an easier tone in the last hour.

Coppers Improve.

Improvement in the coppers contrasted sharply with the general heaviness. The incentive for increased activity in that direction lie in an advance in the price of copper metal from 15¾c to 15⅝c by one of the biggest selling agencies. Reports also were current that a material expansion had occurred Thursday in the volume of metal being taken by consumers. Betterment in the London copper market was also reported.

Improvement in Anaconda was also accompanied by a statement that a substantial block had been hanging over the stantial block which had been hanging over the market had been taken. Copper convertibles did better in sympathy with the improvement in the stocks into which they are convertible.

Many Weak Spots.

The absence of buyers uncovered a number of weak spots. This was particularly true with regard to Sears Roebuck, which dropped more than 5 points. Liquidation continued in the fertilizer shares.

With the exception of Standard Oil of New Jersey and California Petroleum, the oils moved within a narrow range, the disposition seeming to be prevalent to wait for another cut in midcontinent. Standard of New Jersey dropped to a new low figure for this year. A reduction of 1c in the price of gasoline by the Standard of Louisiana and an advance of 2c at Houston at Kansas City confused speculators.

New York Quotations

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

RAILROADS.

	High.	Low.	Close.	Thurs. Close.
A. T. & S. F.	99	98½	99	99
Balt. & Ohio	48¾	47⅞	47⅞	48
Can. Pacific	134¼	133½	133½	133⅝
New York Central	94¾	93⅞	93⅞	94
Ches. & Ohio	64⅞	64⅞	64⅞	....
Chi. Northern	11	10¾	10¾	11
Illinois Central	109½	109¼	109¼	109¼
K. O. Southern	19⅝	19⅜	19⅜	19
Lehigh Valley	62¾	61	61¼	62¾
Missouri Pacific	24¾	24¼	24¼	24¾
New York & N. H.	17¾	16⅞	16⅞	17⅛
Northern Pacific	72	71½	71½	72
Chicago & N. W.	78	77½	77½	78¼
Penn. R. R.	44¾	44⅛	44⅛	44¾
Reading	74	73⅝	73⅝	74
C. R. I. & P.	28⅝	28⅜	28⅜	28⅝
Southern Pacific	93¾	93¼	93¼	93¾
Southern Ry.	21¾	21¼	21¼	21¾
C. M. & St. P.	20¾	20½	20½	20⅝
Union Pacific	126	124½	124⅝	124⅝

STEELS.

Amer. Car Fdry	169½	169½	169½	169¾
Allis-Chalmers	42¾	42¼	42¼	43
American Loco.	137	136	136	136
Baldwin Loco.	119	117¾	117¾	118¾
Bethlehem Steel	65	64	64½	64¾
Colo Fuel & Iron				29
Crucible	68⅝	66⅝	66⅝	67
Gen Steel Fdry	37¾	37¼	37¼	37
Gulf State Steel	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾
Midvale Steel	27¼	27¼	27¼	27¾
Pressed St. Car				57
Ry. Steel & Spg.				52