

SHARP DECLINE IN WHEAT

INFLUENCE OF THE "GREEN BUG" DISCOUNTED.

MAY OPTION LOSES QUARTER

Kansas Crop Declared Unharmed by Pestiferous Insect—Heavier Decline Experienced in Corn and Oats.

CHICAGO, March 13.—Denial of the stories circulated yesterday of damage to the Kansas wheat crop by the "green bug" caused a sharp decline today in prices on the local exchange.

While numerous reports were received today of the ravages committed by the "green bug" it was declared positively that the Kansas crop is still unharmed. Pit traders here placed more credence in the latter advice and sold freely all day.

Extreme dullness prevailed in the corn pit and the market was weak in sympathy with wheat and oats. Leading commission houses were the principal sellers and shorts were the leading buyers.

Oats were again sold heavily and prices declined sharply. Considerable long oats were thrown upon the market and pit traders also sold on the belief that stocks in country elevators and in the hands of farmers are more than large enough to meet all requirements until the next crop is available.

The estimated receipts for tomorrow are: Wheat, 17 cars; corn, 255 cars; oats, 142 cars; hogs, 27,000 head.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Steady; winter patents, \$3.20@3.35; straights, \$3.00@3.25; spring patents, \$3.50@3.60; straights, \$3.10@3.40; bakers, \$2.10@2.30.

Receipts Shipments. Flour, barrels 43,800 32,800. Wheat, bushels 43,000 22,200. Corn, bushels 568,200 367,400. Oats, bushels 44,100 296,000.

Table with columns: Wheat, May, July, Sept, Corn, May, July, Sept, Oats, May, July, Sept, Pork, May, July, Sept, Lard, May, July, Sept, Ribs, May, July, Sept. Rows show Open, High, Low, Close prices.

Liverpool Grain Market. LIVERPOOL, March 13.—Wheat—Spot, firm; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 3d; No. 1 California, 6s 6d. Futures, steady; March, nominal; May, 6s 5d; July, 6s 7d.

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Flour—Receipts, 30,770 barrels; exports, 9,630 barrels. Market steady but quiet.

Wheat—Receipts, 43,000 bushels; exports, 67,780 bushels. Spot steady; No. 2 red, 87c, elevator; No. 2 red, 84c, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 82c, f. o. b. afloat.

Corn—Receipts, 154,800 bushels; exports, 152,068 bushels. Spot, steady; No. 2, 57c, elevator, and 53c, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 white, 54c; No. 2 yellow, 54c, f. o. b. afloat.

Oats—Receipts, 82,500 bushels. Spot market easier; mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs., 47c; natural white, 30 to 33 lbs., 49c@51c; clipped white, 36 to 40 lbs., 50c@53c.

Lard—Easy; western prime, \$9.50@9.35; refined barely steady; continent, \$9.80; S. A., \$11.00; compound, 8c@8c.

Coffee—Firm. Sugar—Firm; fair refining, 3 1-16c; centrifugal 96 test, 3 17-32c; molasses sugar, 2 25-32c; refined, firm; No. 6, \$4.30; No. 7, \$4.25; No. 8, \$4.20; No. 9, \$4.14; No. 10, \$4.05; No. 11, \$4.00; No. 12, \$3.95; No. 13, \$3.90; No. 14, \$3.85; confectioners' A, \$4.50; mould A, \$4.50; cut loaf and crushed, \$5.49; powdered and granulated, \$4.80; cubes, \$4.85.

Butter—Easy; street price, extra creamery, 30c@31c; official prices, creamery, common to extra, 21c@22c; held common to extra, 20c@21c.

Cheese—Strong; state, full cream colored, small, September fancy, 15c; same, white, 14c; same, colored, small October best, 14c@14c; white October best, 13c@14c; same, good to prime, 13c@13c; same winter average, best, 12c; same large September fancy, 14c; same, October best, 12c@14c; same, good to prime, 12c@13c; same, inferior, 11c@12c.

Eggs—Easy; western firsts, 17c@17c; official price, 17c. Poultry—Alive, firm; western chickens, 11c; fowls, 15c; turkeys, 15c. Dressed, firm; western chickens, 13c@18c; turkeys, 12c@15c; fowls, 13c@14c.

ST. LOUIS, March 13.—Wheat—Futures, lower; cash, strong; on track No. 2 red cash, 78c@79c; No. 2 hard, 73c@75c; May, 76c; July, 77c@77c.

Corn—Lower; on track No. 2 cash, 44c@44c; No. 2 white, 46c; May, 44c@44c; July, 44c@44c.

Oats—Lower; on track No. 2 cash, 42c; No. 2 white, 43c@44c; May, 40c; July, 35c.

Spelter—Firm, \$6.80. Lead—Firm, \$6.07@6.10. Poultry—Higher; chickens, 12c; springs, 12c; turkeys, 12c; ducks, 12c; geese, 7c. Butter—Quiet; creamery, 24c@25c; dairy, 21c@22c. Eggs—Lower, 14c, case count.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Cotton—Futures opened barely steady; March, 9.59-64c; April, 9.60c bid; May, 9.77c; June, 9.80c; July, 9.84c; August, 9.88c bid; September, 9.92c; October, 10.12c; December, 10.20c; January, 10.37c.

Spot closed steady, 15 points lower; middling uplands, 11.20c; middling gulf, 11.45c. Sales were 100 bales.

Futures closed barely steady; March, 9.49c; April, 9.52c; May, 9.62c; June, 9.65c; July, 9.70c; August, 9.73c; September, 9.87c; October, 9.97c; December, 10.06c; January, 10.24c.

Kansas City Grain Market.

KANSAS CITY, March 13.—Wheat—May, 70c; July 71c; September, 72c. Cash No. 2 hard, 70c@71c; No. 3, 68c@70c; No. 2 red, 74c@75c; No. 3, 68c@73c.

Corn—May, 41c; July, 41c; September, 42c. Cash No. 2 mixed, 41c; No. 3, 40c@40c; No. 2 white, 42c; No. 3, 42c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 41c@41c; No. 2 mixed, 39c@40c. Butter—Creamery, 31c; packing, 18c. Eggs—Steady, 15c. Receipts—Wheat, 41 cars.

Omaha Grain Market.

OMAHA, Neb., March 13.—Wheat—No. 2 hard, 69c@70c; No. 3 hard, 63c@66c; No. 4 hard, 58c@64c; No. 3 spring, 66c@70c.

New York Copper Market.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Copper was 2s 6d lower in the London market with spot closing at £110 7s 6d and futures at £111 10s. Locally the market was firm with late quoted at \$35.37c@35.75c; electrolytic at \$35.12c@35.57c and casting at \$24.62c.

THE LIVE STOCK MARKETS

CATTLE RECEIPTS VERY LARGE AND PRICES SLOW.

Still Lower Price for Hogs—Large Receipts of Sheep and Lambs.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 13.—Receipts of live stock were: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep.

Official Monday 5,403 5,028 8,668. Official Tuesday 5,855 11,265 10,706. Official Wednesday 7,300 10,850 9,400.

Three days this week, 18,568 27,143 38,774. Same days last week, 7,911 13,029 20,156. Same 2 weeks ago, 10,625 17,197 27,244.

Good to choice corned steers, \$5.50@5.85. Fair to good corned steers, 4.75@5.35. Common to fair steers, 4.00@4.75.

The following table shows the average price of hogs at South Omaha for the last several days, with comparison:

Table with columns: Date, 1907, 1906, 1905, 1904, 1903, 1902, 1901. Rows show prices for Feb 25, Feb 27, Feb 28, Mar 1, Mar 2, Mar 3, Mar 4, Mar 5, Mar 6, Mar 7, Mar 8, Mar 9, Mar 10, Mar 11, Mar 12, Mar 13.

RANGE OF PRICES.

Table with columns: Cattle, Hogs. Rows show prices for Omaha, Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, Sioux City.

Cattle.

Receipts of cattle were very large this morning, 330 cars being reported. Trains, however, were very late and it took all day to get the full receipts into the yards.

The market opened very late, buyers being forced to wait until more of the trains were in sight before beginning operations. When the market did open it was extremely dull, some of the buyers being inclined to hold back in hopes of securing something on late trains that would please them better than the stuff in sight.

Cows and heifers started out very slow and dull and mostly 10c lower than yesterday. The forenoon was very well advanced before very much business had been transacted, and it was late in the afternoon before anything like a clearance was effected.

Stockers and feeders have been in rather moderate receipt all the week and as there has been quite a little inquiry from the country there was fair speculative buying again this morning.

Receipts of hogs this morning were quite large, beside which there were 1,800 hogs which came in late yesterday and were carried over until today.

The market opened with buyers talking around \$6.50 for hogs, which was 7c@10c lower than yesterday. There was some little trading on that basis, but when the market was really underway the hogs sold principally from \$6.50 to \$6.65, with \$6.62c the popular price for the general run of hogs.

The later market strengthened up until good hogs were selling largely at \$6.65, thus making the average market only about 5c lower than yesterday's average. The big bulk of all the hogs brought \$6.62c@6.65, as against \$6.65@6.70 yesterday.

Sheep.

Receipts were large again this morning, but, as is the case every day of late, a good share of the trains were behind time so that the receipts came stringing in all day. At 8:30 only twenty-four out of the forty cars reported were in sight.

While there were a number of loads of right good killers included among today's arrivals, there was a very large proportion of common and inferior grades, making the average quality of the receipts poor. In spite of warnings to the contrary, prices are so good that shippers keep sending in unfinished stuff, which has to sell at a big sacrifice in competition with finished grades.

The market opened early and active on

strictly good killers and everything of that kind changed hands very rapidly at prices steady to a little stronger than yesterday. Good lambs sold readily at \$7.50, with good old wethers at \$6.00 and ewes at \$5.00. The top on ewes is the highest paid since June of last year.

While the market on the good killers was strong and active, the common and medium grades were slow, with the tendency a little lower, and holders of such found it rather slow work effecting a clearance.

Quotations on killers: Good to choice lambs, \$7.25@7.60; fair to good lambs, \$6.75@7.25; good to choice yearlings, lamb weights, \$6.15@6.50; fair to good yearlings, lamb weights, \$5.85@6.15; good to choice yearlings, heavyweights, \$5.85@6.10; fair to good yearlings, heavyweights, \$5.60@5.75; fair to good old wethers, \$5.25@5.50; good to choice ewes, \$5.25@5.50; fair to good ewes, \$4.75@5.25.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, March 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000 head; market weak to 10c lower. Choice export and dressed beef steers, \$4.40@4.35; fair to good, \$4.40@4.35; western fed steers, \$4.00@3.90; stockers and feeders, \$3.75@3.25; native cows, \$2.50@4.75; native heifers, \$3.75@4.90; bulls, \$3.25@4.25; calves, \$3.00@7.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,000 head; market weak to 5c lower. Top, \$6.75; bulk of sales, \$6.65@6.70; heavy, \$6.70@6.75; packers, \$6.65@6.75; pigs and lights, \$5.75@6.70.

Chicago Live Stock Market.

CHICAGO, March 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000 head; market steady to slow. Plain to best steers, \$4.25@6.35; heifers, \$3.65@5.25; cows, \$3.25@5.00; bulls, \$3.25@4.00; calves, \$2.50@7.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@6.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 28,000 head; market 10c lower. Choice heavy shipping, \$6.85@6.95; light butchers, \$6.87c@6.95; light mixed, \$6.85@6.90; packing, \$6.50@6.85; pigs, \$4.50@6.80; bulk of sales, \$6.80@6.87c.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,800 head; market steady. Native shipping and export steers, \$4.90@6.75; dressed beef and butcher steers, \$4.50@6.10; stockers and feeders, \$3.00@4.75; cows and heifers, \$2.65@5.25; canners, \$2.00@2.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,000 head; market 5c lower. Pigs and lights, \$6.15@6.90; packers, \$6.60@6.90; butchers and best heavy, \$6.85@6.95.

St. Joseph Live Stock Market.

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,400 head; market steady. Natives, \$4.50@6.25; cows and heifers, \$2.40@5.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.75@4.85.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,000 head; market 2c@5c higher. Top, \$6.75; bulk of sales, \$6.62c@6.70.

Treasury Balances.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve, shows: Available cash balance, \$267,311,359. Gold coin and bullion, \$17,825,625. Gold certificates, \$50,743,400.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 13.—Wheat—May, 78c@79c; July, 80c; September, 78c; No. 1 hard, 81c@81c; No. 1 northern, 80c@80c; No. 2 northern, 78c@78c; No. 3 northern, 75c@76c.

St. Louis Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 13.—Wool—Steady. Territory and western mediums, 24c@28c; fine medium, 18c@22c; fine, 14c@17c.

When there is sickness in the family the neighbors and the doctor never agree in diagnosing the case.

You have probably observed that the man from your town who loses a position in another town always resigns.

Seven to three was the vote in the Maine legislative committee on temperance in opposition to resubmission of the prohibition question. The seven were from the country, the three from Kennebec county, the situation of Augusta and Watertown. There may be a hint here why the brewers oppose county option.

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