

CONDITIONS OF THE OMAHA GRADE

Jobs Generally Report Business as Usual - What Spotted.

COUNTRY COLLECTIONS ARE VERY FAIR

Springlike Weather Unfavorable for the Retail Trade - Cold Storms Wanted to Stimulate Demand for Winter Merchandise.

Reports from representative jobbing houses, engaged in various branches of trade, indicate a difference of opinion as to the business situation of the past week. It can be readily seen from the character of these reports that during the period under review, has been somewhat spotted. In other words, while some houses have had a very fair run of business others have had none. Some think that the depression in values has wiped off the slate the sums which on a steady or rising market are credited to surplus.

As the spring season draws nearer at hand there is a better feeling, and the opinion seems to prevail among the country buyers that there must be some improvement, even though it may not be very great. The country trade is generally better than usual, and the state is much smaller than usual. A very great benefit might be derived from the fact that the country trade is better than usual in a position to take advantage of the situation.

The Western Envelope company is making good progress in their new plant. The American Cleary company is setting the machinery for its new plant in the building formerly occupied by the Consolidated Coffee company.

The manufacturer of cloth and envelopes, and the industries located in Omaha, will be the means of furnishing employment to a large number of people.

A recent issue of Finance and Commerce says that a company has been incorporated in New Jersey, which is to manufacture sugar.

Home Industry Outlook. A brother of W. R. Drummond of this city is a carriage manufacturer in New York city and recently returned home on a milkman for daily deliveries.

Manufacturers' association has a good deal of faith in the benefits to be derived from the exhibits of home-made goods at the fair to be held in Omaha.

Many indications of improvement in the Omaha General Trade. Mr. W. H. Robertson, manager of R. G. Dun & Co.'s mercantile agency, in reviewing the trade and the commercial situation from his point of view, especially for The Bee's commercial page, says:

Kansas City Grain and Provisions. KANSAS CITY, Feb. 20. - WHEAT - About steady and quiet. No. 1, 1.00; No. 2, 98c; No. 3, 96c; No. 4, 94c; No. 5, 92c; No. 6, 90c; No. 7, 88c; No. 8, 86c; No. 9, 84c; No. 10, 82c; No. 11, 80c; No. 12, 78c.

Weekly Bank Statement. NEW YORK, Feb. 20. - The weekly bank statement shows a decrease in the amount of currency in circulation, and an increase in the amount of deposits.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Unloading of Long Wheat Prevents More Than a Small Advance.

ALL THE CEREALS SHOW STRENGTH

Extraordinary Demand for Corn for Export Helps to Create Firmness - Provisions Dull and Weak.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 20. - Corn today showed some of the effects of the load of long corn which traders had undertaken to carry over the holiday, their unloading preventing more than a small advance.

Estimated receipts Monday: Wheat, 20 cars; corn, 180 cars; oats, 200 cars; hogs, 30,000 head; calves, 200 head; sheep, 200 head.

Table with columns: Article, Receipts, Shipments. Includes items like Flour, Wheat, Corn, Oats, etc.

STOCKS AND BONDS

Next to No Business, but Prices Show a Slight Gain.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20. - A total of 34,000 shares of stock were transacted on the stock exchange today. The market was next to no business, but prices showed a slight gain.

San Francisco Mining Quotations. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20. - The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Table with columns: Stock Name, Price. Includes items like Anaconda, Calumet, Consolidated, etc.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Receipts of Cattle Light and of Hogs Fairly Heavy.

STRENGTH IN CATTLE HOLDS GO

Few Heaves Offered Sell at Steady Prices - Heavy Receipts of Hogs Bring on a Weaker Feeling.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 20. - Receipts for the days indicated were:

Table with columns: Date, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Horses. Shows daily receipts for the week.

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Table with columns: Buyer Name, Quantity, Price. Lists various buyers and their purchases.

Table with columns: No., Price. Lists various items and their prices.

Boston Stock Quotations.

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New York Mining Quotations.

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COST IS THE MAIN OBJECTION

Too Much Money Required to Carry Letters in the Country.

RESULTS OF RURAL FREE MAIL DELIVERY

All Unite in Praise of the System, but Careful Estimates Show Its Adoption Would Cost \$40,000,000 a Year.

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