

CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Jobs Report a Very Gratifying Consuming Demand.

MONEY REASONABLY EASY IN THE COUNTRY

Local Retail Trade Shows Improvement in Most All Departments Incident to the Pleasant Weather - Bank Clearings Large.

The general business situation is all that could be asked for or expected at this season of the year. As a matter of fact the spring season is some distance off and retailers are not thus far doing much business for spring orders. At the same time, however, too late to expect much demand for winter merchandise, so that to a certain extent it is the between seasons period. However the weather of the last week was so pleasant that although the volume of every article in numbers and the streets in the retail district of the city were thronged on most days of the period under review. While the buying was not as liberal as on some occasions when there is a special demand or an improvement such as is likely to accompany the sudden change in the character of the weather, there was nevertheless a very fair consuming demand, and the total volume of business for the week was very satisfactory proportions. Money seems to be gradually growing easier and the whole situation as regards the local retail trade is steadily changing for the better. Merchants without exception speak in a most hopeful tone and are generally and thoroughly convinced that Omaha is entering upon a period of exceptional prosperity. It is to be expected that the volume of business done in fact it has been a long time since a jobber of Omaha has been asked to report a satisfactory business. So far as can be judged from observation and from the reports of leading representatives of the various industries in the nature of a boom, but just a good steady business doing, which is entirely satisfactory to all parties concerned. The volume of orders coming to hand from the country has been very prompt. There is a cause a rush, but it is large enough to keep every one busy, and that in all parts of the country roads has been something of a drawback, as the tendency has been for the farmers to start their work early in the season. It has been impossible for the farmers to haul their produce to market, owing to the muddy roads, and for that reason the country retail trade in certain localities has not been as good as might otherwise have been the case. In the country at large activity in spring business was somewhat earlier than usual. According to the commercial agencies there have been very few reports of a slump in business during the last two weeks in all sections of the country and the outlook seems to be exceedingly bright.

EXPORTERS WANTED.

The demand that has sprung into existence for export cattle at South Omaha, Ind., has been a very gratifying feature of business at that point. The country seems to be generally well supplied with the kind of cattle that cannot be marketed at South Omaha as the packers are not prepared to handle the surplus, and accordingly the custom of sending the best cattle to Chicago and shipping the more common grades to Omaha has become very prevalent. As a still further inducement freight rates to the more distant markets in which the country is so well situated, Armour & Co., however, have taken the matter in hand and have promised to buy or export this point. It is expected that the last week everything that would do for that purpose met with ready sale and satisfactory prices.

The growth of the sheep market at South Omaha continues to be a most interesting feature of the department of the market. It is now one of the most interesting, and the great sheep country of the world at the yards most attractive to visitors and during the morning hours its interior presents a most interesting and interesting scene.

KLONDIKE CRAZE HELPS BUSINESS.

The discovery of gold in Alaska is having quite an important bearing upon business in this and other localities. Local factories have received large orders for various products to be used in the far north and the demand for these goods is nearer to hand rush orders are anticipated from various sources. It is estimated that last year at least 10,000 people went into the regions where gold had been discovered, and that this would have required a great deal of supplies of various kinds. Everyone seems to think that at least 300,000 people will go to the Klondike this spring. It is estimated that each one will require a 500 outfit. It will be seen at once that the demand for such supplies is very large, and that the undertaking will be something enormous. In addition large sums will be required to build roads, to construct bridges, to provide the means of transportation. Taking everything into consideration it has been estimated that the Klondike business will be invested between now and early summer in the search for gold.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock, 130 1/2; separator creamery, 20c; gathered creamery, 130 1/2.

MEATS—Choice fat, 10c to 12 1/2 lbs., quoted at 10 1/2; fat, 10c to 12 1/2 lbs., quoted at 10 1/2.

VEGETABLES—Cauliflower—Good stock, large, 40c; small, 25c to 30c.

FRUITS—Apples—Winter stock, 13c to 15c; California, 12c to 14c.

GRAIN—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 1.25; No. 2 hard, 1.20; No. 3 hard, 1.15.

COFFEE—Arabica—Good stock, 1.25; Robusta, 1.10.

TEA—Assam—Good stock, 1.25; Ceylon, 1.10.

SPICES—Pepper, 1.25; Cloves, 1.10; Nutmeg, 1.00.

CONDIMENT—Mustard, 1.25; Ketchup, 1.10.

LIQUOR—Whisky, 1.25; Brandy, 1.10; Rum, 1.00.

WINE—Champagne, 1.25; Port, 1.10; Sherry, 1.00.

BEER—Pilsener, 1.25; Lager, 1.10; Stout, 1.00.

SOFT DRINKS—Coke, 1.25; Soda, 1.10; Lemonade, 1.00.

TOBACCO—Cigarettes, 1.25; Pipes, 1.10.

AMUSEMENTS—Theater, 1.25; Circus, 1.10; Race track, 1.00.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

May and July Wheat Cuts Suffer Great Declines.

WEAKNESS IS DUE TO A LACK OF SUPPORT

Other Markets Follow the Lead of Wheat and Show Lower Prices, Provisions Being Especially Weak.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—It was a weak day in wheat. July at one time was off 1/2c and May 2c. Closing prices showed a cent decline in both options. It was a narrow market, and the weakness was due more to lack of support than to the news which, however, favored lower prices. Other markets were barely steady at slight declines, corn and oats closing at lower each and provisions ranging 25c to 5c.

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NEW YORK MONEY MARKET

Report that the Greek loan, guaranteed by the U.S. government, is being placed on the New York market today.

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OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Usual Saturday Run Finds the Usual Conditions Prevailing.

CATTLE GO AT ABOUT STEADY PRICES

Dealers Take the Season Offerings at Good Figures and End the Day Early—Hogs Gain Slightly.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 26.—Receipts for the days indicated were: Cattle, 1,000; Hogs, 500; Sheep, 200. The market was steady, with a cent decline in both options. It was a narrow market, and the weakness was due more to lack of support than to the news which, however, favored lower prices.

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Receipts for the week with comparisons: Cattle, 1,000; Hogs, 500; Sheep, 200. The market was steady, with a cent decline in both options. It was a narrow market, and the weakness was due more to lack of support than to the news which, however, favored lower prices.

Disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated: Cattle, 1,000; Hogs, 500; Sheep, 200. The market was steady, with a cent decline in both options. It was a narrow market, and the weakness was due more to lack of support than to the news which, however, favored lower prices.

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