CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Spring Business Opens Up in a Most Promising Way.

VERY FEW CHANGES IN MARKET PRICES

Merchandising in All Departments Moves Along in a Most Satisfactory Manner with Nothing Worth Complaining About.

Business interests in this city and surrounding territory are still in a most prosperous condition. From practically all lines of business come favorable reports showing big gains in the volume of transactions over corresponding period of last year. Even the clearing house reports show that Omaha is well up toward the top of the list of those cities showing an increase in business. Taking everything into consideration, it is doubtful if there ever has been a time when all branches of trade were on as firm a footing in this section of the country as they are at the present time.

The wholesale markets are in much the same condition they were a week ago, though the tendency of prices is decidedly upward. There seems to be no weakness of importance in any line and as far as known there is not likely to be any for the present.

In a retail way, local trade conditions are exceptionally prosperous. Leading merchants say they never saw spring business open up more favorably than it has this season and are looking for a big run of trade from now on. Not only is the volume of sales larger this year, but the quality of goods purchased is also improving, which is considered a favorable sign.

Sugar Refineries' Fight.

Wholesale grocers report business as moving along in about the same way it was a week ago, although they are having about all the trade they can handle. One jobber remarked that Friday of last week was one of the biggest days ever had and the other days of the week were not far behind. Taking the month of March as a whole, the grocery business shows a gain over the same month of last year of about 20 per cent, which is a big gain considering the fact that last year was the best year ever experienced up to that time. In regard to market fluctuations, there is not much to be said, as but very few important changes have taken place. The sugar market is unchanged, in spite of the fact that this is the time of year when the market usually advances. The low prices ruling this season are owing to the fight existing between the American Sugar Refining company and outside refineries. It is claimed that sugars are now being sold by manufacturers at a loss. The canned goods market is also unchanged at this point, although several lines have been advanced in eastern markets. The coffee market, owing, in part, to the fight between the package coffee men, eased off a trifle and in some cases was quoted from a quarter to a half cent lower. Statistics for March, however, show that the visible supply of coffee decreased during that month 225,000 bags, which leaves the visible supply only 6,200,000 bags, as compared with 8,000,000 bags in October. The rate at which consumption of coffee is increasing is shown by the fact that in March of last year the decrease in the world's supply was only 650 bags and in 1898 there was an increase in the supply amounting to 150,000 bags. With these figures in mind, local jobbers say that higher prices are bound to rule sooner or later. Starch, on account of higher priced corn, has advanced ¼@¼ cent. The rope market is in a very strong position and higher prices are looked for on account of the reported shortage in the raw fibre.

Active Spring Trade.

Hardware jobbers are also well pleased with prevailing trade conditions, and say they are doing enormous business. During March their trade showed a gain of about 25 per cent over corresponding month of last year and indications are that this month will be fully as good. Spring goods are now moving out in good shape and the demand for such lines as steel goods, wire cloth, poultry netting, screen doors and barb wire is especially heavy. There were no important changes in market quotations, but at the same time prices on practically all lines are good and firm, with indications favorable for their remaining in that condition for some time to come.

Dry goods jobbers report trade in spring goods a trifle quiet just at present, principally because traveling men are busy taking advance orders for fall goods. Judging from the way retailers are placing their advance orders for fall goods they must have a good deal of confidence in future business as well as in future prices. Jobbers say that so far they have handled more fall business than ever before at this season of the year and they have only just begun to take orders. The present falling off in spring business is thought to be only temporary and will entirely disappear if warm weather continues. House trade is already on the increase and that is expected to assume large proportions in the near future. Fancy lines at the present time are in big demand and are selling better than for several years.

Boot and shoe jobbers are also pushing their fall lines, but as yet they have not been on the market long enough to tell how well they will take. Local jobbers have not sent out all their men, but probably the majority of them will be on the road this week. Spring business is also moving along at a satisfactory rate and no complaints are heard. One jobber remarked that so far this year business has been 30 per cent heavier than it was a year ago.

Price Lists Received.

Rubber goods jobbers are once more ready for business. The new price lists were received the first of the month and traveling men are now on the road taking orders. In comparing this year's schedule with last it is found that discounts are practically the same as they were a year ago, from May 1 to November 1. There are, however, some changes in the lists. Prices on heavy boots as a rule have been raised while light rubbers are lower. This is accounted for by the fact that rubber is higher this year and for that reason the more rubber there is in an article the more it costs. For example, a heavy sporting boot that sold last year for $5.55 by the wholesale is now worth $6, and a heavy short boot that sold last year for $3.80 is now held at $4.20. Women's storm Alaskas, on the contrary, that a year ago were quoted at $1.17, are now sold at 95 cents. Any number of examples might be given, but these illustrate the way the lists have been changed. In regard to the prospects for business little can be said, but at the same time it is evident that local jobbers are all looking for a good run of trade unless something out of the ordinary should happen.

The hide market advanced ¼ cent last week and is quoted firm at the advance. Local dealers say they would not be surprised to see it go up another ¼ cent during this week.

Fruit and Produce.

There was a good demand last week for anything green. Receipts of such lines are rapidly increasing, but so far the demand has been large enough to keep prices nearly steady. Strawberries are coming in more freely and a few cases of Louisiana and Texas berries were received last week. Texas berries sold for $7 per 24-quart case and Louisiana berries at $4.50 per 24-qt case. Considerably lower prices, however, are looked for in the next few days.

Oranges are quoted about the same as they were at last report, but indications are favorable for higher prices in the near future. The same is true of lemons.

The egg market, as will be noted from quotations given in another column, are a little higher than they were a week ago. Receipts are quite liberal, but at the same time the demand is heavy enough to put the price up. Poultry is also good and firm, as receipts are rather light. Butter took a drop last week, as is always the case when the time approaches for grass butter to come on the market. But little green fish was received last week, but it is thought there will be a good supply on the market before the close of this week.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Conditions of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts, liberal; fresh stock firm at 9½c.

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DRESSED POULTRY—Choice to fancy turkeys, 9@10c; ducks, 9c; geese, 9c; spring chickens, 9@10c; hens, 9@10c; roosters, 5@6c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 8½@9c; spring chickens, 8½c; young, staggy and old roosters, 4@5c; ducks, 7½c; geese, 7½c; turkeys, 8c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 13c; choice, 15c; separator, 22c; gathered creamery, 19c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., $1.

VEALS—Choice, 9@10c.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 18c; standard, per can, 22c; bulk standard, per gallon, $1.25; extra selects, per can, 30c; extra selects, per gal., $1.60@1.75; New York counts, per can, 37c; New York counts, per 100, $1.25.

FISH—Herring, per lb., 5c; round perch, 5c; sun, 5c; cod, 6c; haddock, 6c; blue pike, 6c; scaled and dressed perch, 6c; ciscoes, 6c; medium dressed trout, 7½c; crappie, 7½c; pickerel, 7½c; finnan haddies, 7½c; white fish, 9c; yellow pike, dressed, 9c; small trout, dressed, 9c; red snapper, 9c; smelts, 9c; smoked white fish, 9c.

HAY—Per carload lots: Upland, choice, $6.50; midland choice, $5.50; lowland, choice, $5; rye straw, choice, $5; No. 1 corn, 35@37c; No. 2 white oats, 35c; cracked corn, per ton, $14.50; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $15; bran, per ton, $13.50; shorts, per ton, $13.50.

VEGETABLES.

ASPARAGUS—California, per lb., 12@15c.

NEW TURNIPS—Per doz. bunches, 30c.

SPINACH—Per box, $1.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 40@50c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 40c; fancy head lettuce per bbl., $5.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 30@35c.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., Illinois, $3; Jerseys, $3; large bbls., Kansas $2.75.

POTATOES—Per bu., choice, 25@30c.

CABBAGE—California, per lb., 2½@3c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.50@2.75.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c; California, per bunch, 60@90c.

TURNIPS—Rutabagas, per lb., 1½c.

TOMATOES—Florida, per 6⅓-basket crate, $4.50.

MUSHROOMS—Per lb. box, 50c.

RHUBARB—Per lb., 8@9c.

ONIONS—Retail, yellow, 75c; red, 85@90c; Chlos, per bbl., $2.25@2.50.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Texas, per 24-qt. case, $7.00; Louisanna, per 24-qt. case, $4.50.

APPLES—Choice western shipping stock, $4.50; New York stock, $4.50; fancy, $5.00.

GRAPES—Malaga, per bbl., $5.00@9.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, per bbl., $10.50; per crate, $3.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California, fancy navels, per box, $3.25@3.50; choice navels, $3.00; Mediterranean Sweets, per box, $2.50@2.75.

LEMONS—California, choice, per box, $3; fancy, $3.50; Messinas, choice, per box, $3.50; fancy, $4.

BANANAS—Per bunch, medium, $2.25@2.50; large, $2.75@3.00.

HIDES.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7½c; No. 2 green hides, 6½c; No. 1 salted hides, 8½c; No. 2 salted hides, 7½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.50.

NUTS—Hickory, large, per bu., $1.25; shellbarks, $1.25.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL.

Most of the Day's Interest Centers in the Corn Market.

CHICAGO, April 7.—A report was current on 'change today that some influential longs were ready to disgorge their corn holdings. This was an influence in the grain markets, which were easier. Fear of a squeeze in ribs was potent in the hog product pit, the close being from 2½c improved in pork and lard to 10c higher in ribs. May corn closed steady and ⅛@¼c lower, May wheat weak and ½@⅝c down and May oats easier at a loss from yesterday of ⅛c.

Corn opened weak, but found some friends after a concession of about ½c from yesterday's closing figures. They held it up and gradually forced it up a shade over yesterday. But they were not strong enough to hold the advantage. There was a bearish element at work in the pit and, considerably emboldened by the report that certain heavy longs were ready to reap their harvest of profits, brought considerable pressure to the selling side. There were those who thought the market much too broad to be influenced by a single heavy speculator, or even a coterie of them, one student of the situation remarking that the great American steer and hog were running their natural course. Some reports made country acceptances over night freer, while others said the farmers will still be disposed to keep the coarse grain in their own cribs. Liverpool was lower for futures, but firm for spot. Baltimore reported 250,000 bu. accepted by the other side. Local exporters reported foreign bids away out of line. Primary receipts were 649,000 bu., compared with 318,000 bu. a year ago. Atlantic port clearances were 574,000 bu. Receipts here were 302 cars. May opened ⅛@⅜c down at 39⅝@40c, advanced to 40⅝c and then reacted to 39⅞c, closing steady and ⅜@½c down at 39⅝@39c. Trade was active at times, but the volume of business showed a falling off from recent quantities.

Wheat was dull and weak. Shorts had their eyes on the actions of corn, but the general attitude was bearish and it sold in the end. The cash demand was poor and the supply on the floor generally over the demand. The market took a brace following the opening in sympathy with corn, but promptly weakened when the big cereal reacted. The speculative trade was light. New York reported five loads taken for export. Seaboard clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 350,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 559,000 bushels, compared with 471,000 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 463 cars, against 457 last week and 359 a year ago. Local receipts were seventy-four cars, none of contract grade. May opened unchanged at 66⅝@66⅞c, declined to 66⅜c reacted with corn to 66⅝c and then broke to 65½c, at which the market closed ⅛@⅜c under yesterday.

The provision market was firm and fairly active in spite of the grain easiness and lower prices at the yards. A good demand from packers, together with fear of a squeeze in ribs, the supply of which is light, were the factors. Interest was keenly centered in May ribs. Shorts were nervous. May ribs sold at from $7.60 to $7.80 and closed five over yesterday at $7.62½. May pork at from $12.67½ to $12.82½, closing 2½c up at $12.70, and May lard at from $6.62½ to $6.67½, with the close 2½c better at $6.65. There was considerable profit-taking throughout the session.

The oats market followed corn. The speculative market was tame, shippers being the principal sellers. Local receipts were 173 cars; May sold at from 25c to 24⅝@24⅜c, closing ⅛c lower at 24⅜c.

Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 80 cars; corn, 475 cars; oats, 250 cars; hogs, 32,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
April	.....	.....	.....	66⅛	66⅝
May	66⅝@⅞	66⅞	66⅞	66⅞@⅞	66⅝@⅞
July	68 @⅛	68⅛	67⅞	67⅞@⅞	68⅞
Sept.	68⅝	68⅝	68⅝	68½	68⅝
*Corn—					
April	.....	.....	.....	39¼	39½
May	39⅝@40	40⅛	39⅝	39⅞@40	40¼
July	40⅝@⅞	41 @⅛	40⅝	40⅝	41
Sept.	40⅞@⅞	41½	40⅞	41⅛@¼	41¼
*Oats—					
May	24⅜	25	24⅜@⅜	24⅜	24⅞
July	24½	24½@⅝	24¼	24¼@⅜	24½@⅝
Sept.	23⅝	23⅝@½	23¼	23¼@⅜	23½
Pork—					
May	12 67½	12 82½	12 67½	12 70	12 67½
July	12 65	12 82½	12 65	12 70	12 67½
Lard—					
May	6 62½	6 67½	6 62½	6 65	6 62½
July	6 72½	6 80	6 72½	6 75	6 72½
Sept.	6 80	6 87½	6 80	6 85	6 82½
Ribs—					
May	7 00	7 10	7 00	7 02½	6 92½
July	6 80	6 87½	6 77½	6 82½	6 80
Sept.	6 82½	6 85	6 80	6 80	6 77½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.60@3.70; straights, $2.95@3.40; clears, $2.70@3.10; spring specials, $3.80@3.90; patents, $3.10@3.45; straights, $2.60@3.00; bakers, $2.00@2.40.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 62½@66c; No. 2 red, 68½@68⅝c.

CORN—No. 2, 39⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 39⅝c.

OATS—No. 2, 25½@26c; No. 2 white, 28½@28⅝c; No. 3 white, 27½@28½c.

RYE—No. 2, 56c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 41@45c.

SEEDS—Flax and northwest, $1.70. Prime timothy, $2.35@2.40.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.10@12.75. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.55@6.70. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.95@7.20. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.50@6.75; short clear sides (boxed), $7.25@7.50.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.25½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.00; granulated, $5.44. Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour, bbls.	22,000	57,000
Wheat, bu.	67,000	16,000
Corn, bu.	206,000	272,000
Oats, bu.	192,000	138,000
Rye, bu.	4,000	2,000
Barley, bu.	44,000	8,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was easy; creameries, 15@21c; dairies, 15@17c. Cheese, firm at 12@13c. Eggs, steady at 10½c.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Statement of Clearing House Banks Decided Shock.

NEW YORK, April 7.—Speculative enthusiasm for an advance in prices of securities received a decided shock in the showing made by the clearing house banks in their weekly statement today. The buying demand fell away and stocks came upon the market at declining prices. The most important part of the earlier gains was wiped out and the market closed unsettled and irregular, prices moving in contrary directions in different parts of the list and net changes being much mixed. The short session thus ended began auspiciously enough under the influences of renewed buying orders from abroad, which were said to have their source in Holland. Bull pools resumed their operations in various stocks and the continued strength in Sugar gave tone to the industrial list. Pennsylvania, Baltimore & Ohio preferred, Missouri Pacific and Chesapeake & Ohio were conspicuous samples of strength. The list promptly gave way upon the appearance of the bank statement on the tape. Preliminary estimates of the gain in cash had placed it from $4,000,000 to $6,000,000. Operations with the subtreasury alone furnished an increase of $4,000,000 to the banks.

The week has witnessed the continued operation of the forces in the stock market, which have been generally foreseen as a result of the trend of events for some time past. The growing confidence in the continuance of prosperous conditions in the money markets have been the underlying factors in the strength of the stock market.

Some stocks have given unmistakable signs this week of a topheavy condition and are sustained by palpable manipulations and vague rumors of extraordinary advantages not defined and not announced. But whether the general level of prices has reached or exceeded the point that adequately discounts the present and future advantages to accrue to the stocks is a question much more difficult to decide. There is quite an extended list of stocks which have run above the high level of last year and risen to record prices.

Reports of railroad net earnings for February and of gross earnings for March shows them to be beyond all precedent, in spite of the very high level for comparison with last March's earnings. The official reports for March of the operation of the new financial law makes it evident that the banks are not rushing into a precipitate note inflation and even to the extent of the 19 per cent increase on present deposits of bonds they have proceeded in a leisurely manner. The high price of government bonds has invited large realizing and consequent withdrawal of circulation of banks selling their bonds, making the outlook regarding bank circulation much confused. But the retiring of government bonds has been accompanied by large liquidation of loans to New York banks with which bonds were held and has released capital for reinvestment, as reflected in the broad and active market for railroad bonds. Through the disbursement of premiums on United States bonds presented for conversion and the payment of April interest the subtreasury at New York has released additional sums to the money market. The largely increased demand for stock market operations has thus been easily met. London's operations in Americans have continued on a large scale, but the sterling exchange rate has continued upward. London selling to take profits partly explains this. The fact is also cited that while buying low-priced stocks London was selling the high-priced ones, thus leaving a credit balance to account. The prospects of the grain crops and the evidences of foreign needs in the grain market are an element of increasing influence in the stock market.

The following are the quotations for the leading stocks on the New York exchange today:

Atchison	27⅝	Union Pacific	58⅝
do pfd	71⅝	do pfd	76⅝
Baltimore & O.	83⅝	Wabash	7⅝
Canadian Pac.	97	do pfd	24⅝
Canada So.	50	Wheel. & L. E.	9⅝
Ches. & Ohio	22⅝	do 2d pfd	10⅝
Chicago G. W.	14⅝	Wis. Central	18⅝
C., B. & Q.	131	Third Avenue	102½
Chi. Ind. & L.	2⅝	Adams Ex.	117
do pfd	58	American Ex.	146
C., C., C. & St. L.	78	U. S. Ex.	47
Chicago & N. W.	161	Wells-Fargo Ex.	117
C., R. I. & P.	112⅝	Amer. Cot. Oil.	37½
C. C. C. & St. L.	61	do pfd	98
Colorado So.	6⅝	Amer. Malting	4⅝
do 1st pfd	44	do pfd	21½
do 2d pfd	18½	Amer. S. & R.	40
Del. & Hudson	135	do pfd	89⅝
Del. L. & W.	180⅝	Amer. Spirits	7⅝
Denver & R. G.	21⅝	do pfd	17
*do pfd	73	Amer. S. Hoop	35⅝
Erie	13⅝	do pfd	81
do 1st pfd	41⅝	Amer. S. & W.	36⅝
Gt. Nor. pfd	163⅝	do pfd	90⅝
Illinois Central	116⅝	Amer. Tin Plate	33
Hocking Valley	28⅝	do pfd	84
Illinois Central	116⅝	Amer. Tobacco	107
Iowa Central	18⅝	do pfd	135
do pfd	54½	Anac. Min. Co.	52⅝
K. C. P. & G.	1⅝	Brooklyn R. T.	75⅝
Lake Erie & W.	33⅝	Colo. Fuel & I.	48½
do pfd	96⅝	Con Tobacco	31½
Lake Shore	200	do pfd	84
L. & N.	85⅝	Federal Steel	49
Manhattan L.	97⅝	do pfd	73
Met. St. Ry.	164	Gen. Electric	132
Mex. Central	13½	Glucose Sugar	52½
Minn. & St. L.	85½	do pfd	89½
do pfd	96⅝	Int. Paper	15⅝
Mo. Pacific	52⅝	do pfd	64½
Mobile & Ohio	47	Laclede Gas	73
N., C. & St. L.	12	National Biscuit	35
do pfd	36	do pfd	99
N. J. Central	119⅝	National Lead	24
N. Y. Central	135½	do pfd	104½
Norfolk & W.	35⅝	National Steel	43⅝
do pfd	77	do pfd	94
No. Pacific	66⅝	N. Y. Air Brake	125
do pfd	77⅝	No. American	15½
Ontario & W.	28⅝	Pacific Coast	51⅝
Ore. Ry. & Nav.	42	do 1st pfd	82
Ore. Short Line	76	do 2d pfd	81
Pennsylvania	141⅝	Pacific Mail	35⅝
Reading	29	People's Gas	109⅝
do 1st pfd	64	Pressed S. Car	53
do 2d pfd	34	do pfd	83⅝
Rio G. W.	33½	Pullman P. Car	183½
do pfd	59	Standard R. & T.	6½
St. L. & S. F.	11⅝	Sugar	115
do 1st pfd	71	do pfd	110
do 2d pfd	36⅝	Tenn. Coal & I.	95½
St. L. Southw.	12⅝	U. S. Leather	13⅝
do pfd	32	do pfd	73
St. Paul	124⅝	U. S. Rubber	37½
do pfd	157	do pfd	100
St. P. & Omaha	117	Western Union	84
So. Pacific	40½	Rep. I. & S.	21½
So. Railway	14⅝	do pfd	65½
do pfd	59⅝	P. C. C. & St. L.	68
Texas & Pacific	17⅝		

*When issued.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 7.—MONEY—On call, steady at 5@4 per cent; last loan, 3 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4⅝@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in BANKERS' bills at $4.86⅝@4.86⅞ for demand and $4.83⅝@4.83½ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84 and $4.87½; commercial bills, $4.82½@4.83.

SILVER—Certificates, 60½@61½; bar, 59⅝c; Mexican dollars, 47⅝c.

BONDS—State bonds inactive; railroad bonds, firm; government bonds, steady; United States refunding, when issued, 101; 2s, reg., 99½; 3s, reg., 109½; coupon, 110½; new 4s, reg. and coupon, 133½; old 4s, reg. and coupon, 111½; 5s, reg. and coupon, 113⅝.

The following are the closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 2s, reg.	99½	N. Y. C. 1s	112
*do 2s, reg.	103	N. J. C. gen. 5s	123½
do 3s, reg.	109½	No. Carolina 6s	124
do 3s, coupon	110½	do 4s	106
do new 4s, reg.	133½	No. Pacific 3s	68½
do coupon	133½	do 4s	104⅝
do old 4s, reg.	111½	N Y C & St L 4s	106
do coupon	111½	N. & W. con. 4s	98
do 5s, reg.	113⅝	do gen. 6s	133
do 5s, coupon	113⅝	Ore. S. Nav. 1s	110
D. of C. 3-65s	119	do 4s	103½
Atch. gen. 4s	100⅝	Ore. S. L. 6s	127⅝
do adj. 4s	84⅝	do consol 5s	114½
Canada So. 2s	107	Reading gen. 4s	87⅝
Ches. & O. 4½s	109	Rio G. W. 1s	99⅝
do 6s	120	St L. & I M c. 5s	111
C. & N. W. c. 7s	138½	St L. & S F g. 6s	122
do S. F. deb. 5s	121½	St. P., consol's	171½
Chicago Ter. 4s	96	St P., C. & P. 1s	119⅝
D. & R. G. 1s	103½	do 5s	121½
do ex. 4s	96⅝	So. Railway 5s	113
E. T. V. & G. 1s	101⅝	S. R. & T. 6s	75
Erie gen. 4s	74½	Tenn. n. s. 3s	95⅝
F. W. & D. C. 1s	73	Tex. & Pac. 1s	114½
Gen. Electric 5s	116⅝	do 2s	56
G. H. & S. A. 6s	110	Union Pacific 4s	106⅝
do 2s	108	Wabash 1s	118
H. & T. C. 5s	110	do 2s	103⅝
do con. 6s	108	West Shore 4s	114⅝
Ia. Central 1s	115	Wis. Central 1s	92⅝
K. C., P. & G. 1s	73⅝	Va. Centuries	90⅝
La. n. e. 4s	108	do deferred	9½
L. & N. uni. 4s	101	Colo. So. 4s	84⅝
N., K. & T. 2s	68	So. Pacific 4s	85
do 4s	93½		

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, April 7.—CATTLE—Receipts, 120 head; supply too light to test strength of market; moderate supply this week strengthened values; all slaughtering classes are selling 10@20c higher; heavy feeders and choice stockers steady, while plain kinds are 15@20c lower; heavy native steers brought $4.75@5.45; lightweights, $4.25@5.15; stockers and feeders, $3.35@4.35; butcher cows and heifers, $2.25@4.75; canners, $2.50@2.25; fed westerns, $3.75@5.00; Texans, $2.65@4.20.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,500 head; trade active at steady to a shade lower; short supply this week, together with strong provision market stimulated values to a high point of the season, heavy hogs selling today at $5.40@5.50; mixed, $5.25@5.45; lights, $5.25@5.35; pigs, $4.00@4.20.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts for week, 15,000 head; a light run and strong demand caused a still further advance in prices this week, fed lambs selling 10@15c higher, while muttons show 15@25c advance; spring lambs brought $8.00@9.00; fed Colorados, $6.85@7.05; muttons, $5.50@6.15; stockers and feeders, $4.50@6.25; culls, $3.50@4.50; clipped lambs and sheep about $1.00 per hundred lower than above quotations.

St. Joseph Live Stock.

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 7.—(Special.)—The Journal quotes:

CATTLE—Receipts, 200 head. Market steady; natives, $4.00@5.50; Texas and westerns, $3.75@5.35; cows and heifers, $2.20@4.80; bulls and stags, $2.00@4.60; yearlings and calves, $4.00@5.25; stockers and feeders, $3.50@4.80; veals, $4.25@6.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,700 head. Market steady to 2½c lower; all grades, $5.20@5.45; bulk of sales, $5.30@5.37½.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 100 head. Market steady; lambs, $5.00@7.15; yearlings, $5.60@6.40; fed sheep and yearlings, $5.00@5.85; ewes, $4.25@5.35.

Stock in Sight.

Following are the receipts at the four principal western markets for April 7:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	87	5,750	240
Chicago	200	21,000	3,500
Kansas City	120	5,500	15,000
St. Louis	100	4,000	3,500
Totals	907	36,250	22,040

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Light Receipts as Usual on the Last Day of the Week.

NOT ENOUGH CATTLE TO MAKE A MARKET

Hogs Sell Lower Than Friday, but Higher Than a Week Ago—Sheep Show Substantial Gain for the Week.

SOUTH OMAHA, April 7.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Official Monday	1,541	3,850	4,144
Official Tuesday	2,067	5,392	5,042
Official Wednesday	2,038	5,436	5,125
Official Thursday	3,132	5,733	4,125
Official Friday	2,313	5,972	984
Official Saturday	485	5,750	240
Total this week	11,576	31,565	20,655
Week ending March 31	12,795	31,357	28,215
Week ending March 24	13,274	36,001	23,074
Week ending March 17	13,289	41,409	27,385
Week ending March 10	9,918	39,109	25,900

Average price paid for hogs for the last several days with comparisons:

	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.	1896.	1895.	1894.
March 16	4 85	3 63	3 70	3 87	3 77	4 27	4 47
March 17	4 94	3 65	3 71	3 91	3 83	*	4 43
March 18	*	3 58	3 73	3 88	3 81	4 46	*
March 19	4 89	*	3 73	3 94	3 74	4 41	4 38
March 20	3 86	3 58	*	4 00	3 67	4 36	4 36
March 21	4 81	3 56	3 75	*	3 71	4 42	4 38
March 22	4 86	3 60	3 76	3 98	*	4 46	4 41
March 23	4 90	3 63	3 76	3 91	3 75	4 56	4 43
March 24	4 93	3 60	3 71	3 93	3 65	*	4 49
March 25	*	3 57	3 67	3 93	3 59	4 71	*
March 26	4 89	*	3 65	3 91	3 66	4 86	4 47
March 27	4 97	3 60	*	3 86	3 71	4 74	4 45
March 28	5 05	3 68	3 57	*	3 70	4 82	4 53
March 29	5 16	3 69	3 65	3 93	*	4 80	4 52
March 30	5 12	3 63	3 62	3 87	3 66	4 78	4 54
March 31	5 10	3 59	3 62	3 91	3 60	*	4 53
April 1	*	3 60	3 67	3 92	3 64	4 80	*
April 2	5 08	*	3 67	3 92	3 64	4 84	4 43
April 3	5 15	3 65	*	3 91	3 56	4 82	4 51
April 4	5 23	3 68	3 73	*	3 52	4 76	4 58
April 5	5 30	3 67	3 79	3 89	*	4 82	4 62
April 6	5 30	3 62	3 74	3 83	3 57	4 81	4 77
April 7	5 27	3 61	3 72	3 83	3 59	*	4 74

* Indicates Sunday.

The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sh'p.
C., M. & St. P. Ry	1	2	..
O. & St. L. Ry	..	1	..
Missouri Pacific Ry	4	..	..
Union Pacific system	6	16	..
F., E. & M. V. R. R	6	21	..
S. C. & P. Ry	..	1	..
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry	..	6	..
B. & M. R. R. R	3	21	1
C., B. & Q. Ry	..	6	1
K. C. & St. J. Ry	1	..	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry. east	2	..	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry. west	3	..	..
Illinois Central Ry	1	..	..
Total receipts	27	79	2

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co.	131	791	....
G. H. Hammond Co.	....	981	212
Swift and Company	61	1,236	166
Cudahy Packing Co.	24	1,044	....
Armour & Co.	29	1,057	....
Omaha P. Co., Kan. City	96	....	....
R. Becker & Degan	58	....	....
Other buyers	13	....	....
Totals	412	5,719	318

CATTLE—There were only a few cars of cattle on sale today, as usual at the close of the week, and not enough to make a test of the market. The few here sold at about yesterday's prices or a little easier and there were no new features of importance.

This has been a week of light cattle receipts, but, as the demand has been good at the same time, the market has been in a good, healthy condition. Desirable kinds of cornfed beef steers have firmed up and this week can be quoted 15c higher on an average and in extreme cases 20c higher. Good cornfed cows and heifers have also sold higher, the gain for the week amounting to 10@15c, but at the same time common to medium cows and canners have been gradually easing off and are a little lower than at the close of the week before. Fat bulls have been slow all the week and the market has shown no improvement. Veal calves have been good sellers all the week at just about steady prices. The demand for stock cattle and feeders has been good and the market strong all the week. The few thin cattle of good quality will be had on the market have met with ready sale. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
8	773	3 75	10	1094	4 45
1	690	3 75	27	1004	4 50
1	640	3 75	81	1111	4 55
1	700	3 75	4	1062	4 55
4	1175	3 25	16	1296	4 65
7	1050	4 20			

COWS.

1	1120	2 85	1	1260	3 50
3	1103	3 10	2	1160	3 65
3	1003	3 15	7	1025	3 70
1	770	3 25	9	995	3 70
2	1175	3 25	1	1140	3 80
1	1100	3 25	12	903	3 85
1	1070	3 25	1	1280	3 85
1	920	3 25	1	1140	3 85
1	1030	3 50			

HEIFERS.

3	766	4 00	1	870	4 00

BULLS.

1	530	2 90	1	1210	3 45
1	1040	3 00	1	1090	3 75

CALVES.

1	120	6 25	1	120	7 00

STAGS