

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Dullness and Barish Prices Bring All Pits to Lower Prices. CORN TRADERS ARE ANXIOUS TO SELL. Heavy Selling Occurs Soon After the Opening by Brokers Representing St. Louis Interests and Prominent Chicago Long Holders.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Bears took advantage of the dullness in grain markets today and the desire of corn traders to sell, and pressed all the pits to lower prices. The close may have had less life, May corn 11c and May oats 4 1/2c. Provisions closed 1/2c lower.

Corn started slightly firmer on cables, which responded to yesterday's improvement. There were a few buying orders out and May opened unchanged 1/2c higher at 11 1/2c. Middle wheat and very slack business soon began to turn down. The market was very quiet during the market. At no time did the market get above the opening prices and with the arrival of small lots for tomorrow, selling became rather popular. Rains were reported at Argentine and Kansas City were having weak market. Heavy selling developed soon after the opening hour by brokers anxious to represent St. Louis interests and those of prominent local long holders. A bad break ensued and prices were at their lowest of the close. May wheat 1 1/2c lower at 83 1/2c. Receipts, 52 cars. Wheat was dull and lower at 83 1/2c. Oats were at their highest prices at the opening. Trade was quiet. The trading was confined almost entirely to the local market. Some small orders were filled. The market was very quiet during the market. The following prices ranged as follows:

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, and other commodities, listing prices and market status.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET. Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities. NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—FLOUR—Receipts, 128,000 bushels. The market was quiet and steady. The following prices ranged as follows:

Table with columns for Flour, Wheat, and other commodities, listing prices and market status.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—WHEAT—Higher. 11 1/2c; cash, 11 1/2c; track, 11 1/2c. The market was quiet and steady. The following prices ranged as follows:

TRADE ACTIVITIES INCREASES

Business Conditions Continue Favorable in Spite of Stormy Weather. Unprecedented Demand Exceeds Supply and Efforts Are Made to Purchase Stock Sent Abroad Last Year.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade Conditions will say: Interruption to railway traffic and outdoor work by severe storms has been an unfavorable factor in the business situation during the past week, while manufacturing activity increased and distribution through retail channels was undiminished. Reports from the West are encouraging, the prospects for a few southern points are slow to exhibit improvement.

RAILWAY earnings continue their record of increase for January, gaining 73 per cent over the year. There was a 100 per cent increase in the market for pig iron. It is doubtful whether there was ever a time in the history of the nation when this metal was so scarce. Considerable fact that production during 1901 was far beyond the requirements of the country. Structural supplies are utterly inadequate and the action of the Chicago council regarding the ordinary iron and steel of buildings has placed many new contracts on the market.

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WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE TABLE

Aggregate of Business Transacted by the Associated Banks. NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ending February 7, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year.

Table with columns for Cities, Clearings, Inc. Dec. listing major cities like New York, Boston, Philadelphia, etc.

Erratic Fluctuations of Cereals. Compared with the erratic course of the cereals during the preceding month or two, produce markets have been quiet this week. The market for wheat is particularly quiet. The market for corn is also quiet. The market for oats is also quiet.

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW OF TRADE. During the Week is Favorable. NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Bradstreet's Trade developments this week have been largely favorable. The market for wheat is particularly quiet. The market for corn is also quiet. The market for oats is also quiet.

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MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS

Prices Higher and Speculation Assesses a Healthier Tone. NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—The movement of prices in today's stock market became higher and the tone healthier. The market for wheat is particularly quiet. The market for corn is also quiet. The market for oats is also quiet.

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OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Cattle Receipts Light and Market Rules Active and Stronger. BIG SLUMP IN THE PRICE OF HOGS. Only a Few Cars of Sheep and Lambs on Sale and Demand is Soft.

RECEIPTS: Cattle, 1,000; Hogs, 1,000; Sheep, 1,000. The market was active and stronger. The following prices ranged as follows:

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CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET

Cattle Steady, Hogs Lower and Sheep and Lambs Strong. CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,500 head. The market was steady. The following prices ranged as follows:

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BUY WHEAT

The following table shows the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal markets for February 7.

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