

TRADE AFFECTED BY COLD

Unal Temporal Advantages of War Felt for Staples.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS SATISFACTORY

Believed Spring Building Operations and Railroads Will Create a Large Demand for Iron and Steel.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade this week will say:

Inclement weather alone prevents a definite revival of business. Outdoor work is retarded and traffic impeded by an extent...

The usual temporary advantages of war are felt in the markets for staple commodities, notably foodstuffs, but while this helps the domestic producer, it harms much larger number by enhancing prices to some extent.

Foreign trade started the new year most satisfactory as shown by official returns for the month of January. Two factors contributed to swell the volume of exports...

REPORT OF THE CLEARING HOUSE

Transactions of the Associated Banks During the Past Week.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The following table compiled by Bradstreet shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended February 12, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year.

Table with columns: CITIES, Clearings, Inc., Dec. Lists cities like New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis, etc.

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Totals U. S. \$1,781,205,794 24.0 Outside U. S. 75,074,453 23.0

INCREASE IN BUSINESS IS NOTED

Weather Affects Spring Trade and War Influences Prices.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Bradstreet's Weekly Review of Trade this week will say:

Midwinter conditions are far from gloomy in spring trade. Orders are coming in for transportation and outdoor activities generally.

Railway earnings in January showed the first decrease since February, 1903, and the first decrease reported in January since 1897.

Dry goods, shoes and millinery note the first increase in business since the close of the year. The market for these goods is generally better than last year.

Cold weather holds back trade at the northwest and it is still rather quiet on the Pacific coast although good rains in California help the outlook.

The iron trade is still irregular, in that the iron trade is still irregular, in that the iron trade is still irregular.

Gets Good Price for Trotter. HUMBOLDT, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.) James H. Davis, the local horseman, this week shipped his trotter, Trotter, to New York City.

WANTED: A first-class harness maker at once. F. W. Parker, Table Rock, Neb. D-3943

INVESTIGATE BOARD'S DELAY

Committee from Council Inquire Into Tardy Action of Members.

WRIGHT CALLS IT DISGRACE TO CITY

Sternly Rebukes Lobbeck and Withholds for Not Adopting Specifications So Paving Can Be Done.

Your conduct is becoming a disgrace to the city," declared City Attorney Wright yesterday, addressing City Comptroller Lobbeck and Building Inspector Withnell, as majority members of the Board of Public Works.

An official investigation as to why delays have been caused in the submission of paving specifications by the Board of Public Works has been ordered by the mayor and council.

At a tumultuous meeting of the board yesterday afternoon, at which the majority members, Comptroller Lobbeck and Building Inspector Withnell, refused to act upon the work of Chairman Rosewater, the council met and adopted the resolution calling for the inquiry.

The document was handed immediately to Mayor Moore, who was present, and he signed it. Councilman Schroeder stated he would be out of the city until a week from this afternoon, but Chairman Nicholson announced the sitting would begin promptly at 10 o'clock today and be continued as long as necessary.

Text of the Resolution.

Resolved, by the city council of the city of Omaha, the mayor concurring, That a committee of three to be composed of councilmen, to be appointed by the president of the council, be appointed for the purpose of investigating the cause of the delay in the adoption of paving specifications by the Board of Public Works.

Let It Smell, Says Lobbeck. "Gentlemen," said the attorney, "don't delay this matter any longer. It is now a question of public notoriety and if you don't be careful it will smell so loud that the state won't hold it."

Chairman Rosewater openly accused both the other members of having longed for changes in certain contracts yesterday morning and said he could prove his statements if called upon to do so.

Disgrace to the City. The majority members, however, continued the temporizing methods. They are democrats, and so is Attorney Wright, but this fact seemed to have no influence over the speech of the attorney.

It will be a matter of deep regret, gentlemen, if you do not act today, he said. "Your conduct has become a perfect disgrace to the city, and the people are demanding to know why this board cannot get together and decide these questions like business men."

Mr. Wharton explained that he was a property owner at Twentieth and Chicago streets and for three years the citizens interested have been trying to get Twentieth street, which is in bad condition, paved.

City Engineer Rosewater, after the council had ordered an inquiry, said: "I know nothing about this resolution or its object until I heard it read before the council. I am ready and willing to assist the committee in any way possible and am gratified that the investigation is to be made. I hope, only, that it will be thorough and searching."

Kid Carter Defeated by Gardner. MILWAUKEE, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Matthew McVicker, known wherever baseball is played by the name of "Mattie," died at 5 o'clock this morning at the home of his brother-in-law, Harry Chittenden, at Victor, Ia. He had been sick with typhoid fever for forty-two days and had almost

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recovered, when he suffered a relapse and the end came in a short time. Mattie was one of the best known bull players in this section of the country, having played with the various teams of the Western league. Three years ago he wore the local uniform, going to Omaha the next, and last year he was the centerfielder of the heavyweight Milwaukee team.

EVENTS ON RUNNING TRACKS. Close Finishes and Vigorous Riding Add to the Interest of the Races at Oakland.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—Close finishes marked a number of races at Oakland today. Cloudy weather prevailed, but the track was in good condition. A six-furlong handicap was the feature.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 18.—Results: First race, mile and one-sixteenth, Major Dixon third, Time: 1:48.

OMAHA BOYS ARE EASY WINNERS. Defeat Crete Basket Ball Team by Score of 51 to 9.

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WITH THE BOWLERS. The Russians were Japanese last night on the Western alley, two out of three games, and losing by ninety-one pins.

JAPS. Staphenhorst 170 172 172 510. Bowler parents reside in California, where he spent a part of his time as a member of the coast league.

RUSSIANS. Johnson 124 124 124 372. Lundstrom 140 112 115 367. Johnson 124 124 124 372.

GATE CITIES. Cochran 150 150 150 450. Bowler 150 150 150 450. Hamilton 150 150 150 450.

STEVENS & SMITH. Schmalz 204 154 154 512. Hamilton 118 102 129 349. Champion 150 126 118 400.

CLARKSONS. Clarkson 120 120 120 360. Frisco 120 120 120 360. Norton 120 120 120 360.

COLTS. Neale 120 120 120 360. A. Reed 120 120 120 360. Bonnell 120 120 120 360.

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