GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Reaction in Market After Higher Opening with Rains Predicted.

WHEAT WEAKENED BY SHORT SELLING

Primary Receipts Heavy and Cables Steady, and Prices Decline on Predictions of Rain in Southwest.

OMAHA, April 17, 1907.

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ST. LOUIS, April 17.—WHEAT—Futures, weak; cash, strong; track, No. 2 red cash, elevator, 75½@76c; No. 2 hard, 74⅝@76c; May, 76c; July, 75½@75⅝c.

CORN—Firm; track, No. 2 cash, 47½@48c; May, 44c; July, 46c; No. 2 white, 47½@47⅞c.

OATS—Steady; track, No. 2 cash, 41½@42c; May, 41c; July, 37⅞c; No. 2 white, 43½c.

FLOUR—Steady; red winter patents, $3.60@3.80; extra fancy and straight, $3.30@3.50; clear, $3.65@3.85.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $3.00@3.75.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.40.

BRAN—Dull; sacked east track, 92½@95c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $15.00@19.00; prairie, $10.00@12.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.10.

BAGGING—10½c.

HEMP TWINE—10c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, higher; jobbing, $16.30. Lard, lower; prime steam, $8.35. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, $9.87½; clear ribs, $9.62½; short clears, $9.87½. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $10.37½; clear ribs, $10.50; short clears, $10.87½.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 11½c; springs, 20@23c; turkeys, 12½@13½c; ducks, 13c; geese, 7c.

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May	43⅝@¾	43⅝	43	43½	43⅝
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May	15 85	15 92½	15 80	15 92½	15 87½
July	15 90	16 00	15 87½	15 97½	15 92½
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May	8 60	8 65	8 55	8 60	8 62½
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WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 80@81½c; No. 3 spring, 75@81c; No. 3 red, 76½@77½c.

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RYE—No. 2, 66½c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 69@71½c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.12; No. 1 northwestern, $1.19. Timothy, prime, $4.35. Clover, contract grade, $14.50.

PROVISIONS—Short ribs sides (loose), $8.10@8.40. Mess pork, per bbl., $16.00@16.12½. Lard, per 100 lbs., $8.87½. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.75@9.00.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

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Barley, bu.	61,100	

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was strong; creameries, 22@30½c; dairies, 20@28c. Eggs, steady; at mark, cases included, 16c; firsts, 16½c; prime firsts, 17½c. Cheese, firm, 13@15c.

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WHEAT—Receipts, 69,000 bu.; exports, 92,700 bu.; spot market, steady; No. 2 red, 83½c elevator and 84½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 91½c, opening navigation, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard, 88½c, opening navigation, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard, 85½c, opening navigation, f. o. b. afloat. After a sharp opening advance, due to cooler weather in the southwest and heavy covering by room shorts, wheat broke more than a cent a bushel and was weak up to the last hour, when new buying caused a rally. The decline was caused by rain rumors and heavy western unloading. Final prices were ¼@¾c net lower, as follows: May, 58⅞c; July, 57⅞c; September, 58⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 81,700 bu.; exports, 286,674 bu.; spot market steady; No. 2, 57½c elevator and 58c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 white, 57c, and No. 2 yellow, 54c, f. o. b. afloat. The option market was more active and fairly steady on lighter receipts, closing ¼c net lower, as follows: May, 55½c; July, 55¼c.

OATS—Receipts, 27,000 bu.; spot market firm; mixed, 26 to 32 pounds, 47½c; natural white, 30 to 32 pounds, 48@50c; clipped white, 36 to 40 pounds, 49@53½c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 70@80c; good to choice, $1.15@1.20.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1906 crop, 15@18c; 1905 crop, 4½@6c; Pacific coast, 1906 crop, 8@11c; 1905 crop, 6@8c.

HIDES—Quiet; Central America, 24c; Bogota, 25c.

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 27½@29c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $14.00@14.50; mess, $9.50@10.00; beef hams, $24.00@26.00; packet, $10.50@11.00; city, extra india mess, $20.00@21.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled hams, 11@12c; pickled bellies, 10.50@12.00; pickled shoulders, 8½@8¾c. Lard, quiet; western prime, $8.75@8.85; refined, steady; continent, $9.40; compound, 8.37½@8.62½. Pork, quiet; family, $19.00; short clear, $17.50@18.00; mess, $17.50@18.25.

TALLOW—Quiet; city ($2 per pkg.), 6¼c; country (pkgs. free), 6¼@6⅜c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 5⅝@6¾c; Japanese, nominal, 5c.

BUTTER—Strong; street price, extra creamery, 31½@32c; official prices, creamery, common to extra, 22@31c; held common to extra, 21@30½c; state dairy, common to finest, 21@30c; renovated, common to extra, 16@26½c; western factory, common to firsts, 19@22c.

CHEESE—Firm; state full cream, colored and white, small, September, fancy, 15c; same, October best, 14@14½c; same, good to prime, 13@13½c; state, winter made, average best, 12½c; state, good to prime, 12⅝@13½c; state, inferior, 11½@12½c.

EGGS—Weak; state, Pennsylvania and nearby selected white, 20c; state, choice, 19@19½c; same, brown and mixed extra, 19c; firsts to extra firsts, 17½@18½c; western firsts, 17@17½c. Official prices: Firsts, 17@17½c; seconds, 16@16½c.

POULTRY—Firm; steady; fowls, 16c; chickens, 12c; turkeys, 11c. Dressed, irregular; turkeys, 10@14c; fowls, 10@14½c; chickens, 10@16½c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, April 17.—WHEAT—Futures, weak; cash, strong; track, No. 2 red cash, elevator, 75½@76c; No. 2 hard, 74⅝@76c; May, 76c; July, 75½@75⅝c.

CORN—Firm; track, No. 2 cash, 47½@48c; May, 44c; July, 46c; No. 2 white, 47½@47⅞c.

OATS—Steady; track, No. 2 cash, 41½@42c; May, 41c; July, 37⅞c; No. 2 white, 43½c.

FLOUR—Steady; red winter patents, $3.60@3.80; extra fancy and straight, $3.30@3.50; clear, $3.65@3.85.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $3.00@3.75.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.40.

BRAN—Dull; sacked east track, 92½@95c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $15.00@19.00; prairie, $10.00@12.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.10.

BAGGING—10½c.

HEMP TWINE—10c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, higher; jobbing, $16.30. Lard, lower; prime steam, $8.35. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, $9.87½; clear ribs, $9.62½; short clears, $9.87½. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $10.37½; clear ribs, $10.50; short clears, $10.87½.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 11½c; springs, 20@23c; turkeys, 12½@13½c; ducks, 13c; geese, 7c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 23@31½c; dairy, 21@26c.

EGGS—Easy at 15c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	9,000	11,000
Wheat, bu.	21,000	14,000
Corn, bu.	79,000	147,000
Oats, bu.	55,000	113,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, April 17.—WHEAT—May, 70½c; July, 72⅞c; September, 74⅝c; cash, No. 2 hard, 71@71½c; No. 3, 68@74½c; No. 2 red, 75½@76c; No. 3, 68½@74c.

CORN—May, 50⅝c; July, 48⅝c; September, 43⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 42c; No. 3, 41½c; No. 2 white, 43½@43⅝c; No. 3, 42½@43c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 41⅝c; No. 2 mixed, 40½@41c.

RYE—Steady, 58@62c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $14.50@15.00; choice prairie, $11.00@14.50.

BUTTER—Creamery, 29c; packing, 19c.

EGGS—½c higher; firsts, 15½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	30,000	94,000
Corn, bu.	9,000	14,000
Oats, bu.	20,000	28,000

Kansas City cash prices:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	71½@¾	71½	70½	70½
July	73½@¾	74	72½	72⅞
Corn—				
May	40⅞	40⅞	40⅝	40⅝@¾
July	42½	42⅝	42⅝	42⅝@½

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 17.—WHEAT—May, 79⅝c; July, 81⅝c; No. 1 hard, 83½@83½c; No. 1 northern, 82½@82½c; No. 2 northern, 80@80½c; No. 3 northern, 78@79c.

FLOUR—First patents, $4.30@4.40; second patents, $4.15@4.25; first clears, $3.20@3.50; second clears, $2.40@2.60.

BRAN—In bulk, $16.50@16.75.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, April 17.—CORN—Lower; No. 2 yellow and No. 3, 45c; No. 4, 41c; no grade, 37½@38½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 42c; No. 3 white, 41½@41¾c; No. 4 white, 40@42½c.

RYE—Steady; No. 3, 67@68c.

WHISKY—On basis of $1.29 for finished goods.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, April 17.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, 83@84c; No. 2 northern, 80½@82½c; July, 73½c.

RYE—No. 1, 71@71½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 71½@73c; sample, 50@71c.

CORN—No. 3 cash, 43½@44c; July, 47½c asked.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, April 17.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 81½c; No. 1 northern, 82½c; No. 2 northern, 81½c; May, 82½c; July and September, 83½c.

OATS—April, 40½c.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—EGGS—Firm, ½c higher.

CHEESE—Firm, fair demand; New York full creams, fancy, 14½@14¾c; choice, 14½c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, April 17.—COFFEE—Market for futures opened barely steady at a decline of 5@10 points, owing to lower European cables and liquidation. Some of the large trade interests seemed to be buying May at the decline, but the French market continued easy. There was no general support and the loss was increased during the middle sessions. The close was steady at a net decline of 10@20 points. Sales were reported of 58,750 bags, including May at 5.55@5.60c; June, 5.40@5.50c; July, 5.40@5.45c; September, 5.35@5.40c; December, 5.25@5.40c; January, 5.40c; March, 5.40@5.50c. Spot coffee easy; No. 7 Rio, 6¾c; No. 4 Santos, 7¾c; mild coffee easy; Cordova, 9@11¾c.

Sugar and Molasses.

NEW YORK, April 17.—SUGAR—Raw, fair refining, 3.22c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.72c. Molasses sugar, 3.04c. Refined, quiet; No. 4, 4.40c; No. 7, 4.70c; No. 8, 4.80c; No. 9, 4.85c; No. 10, 4.15c; No. 11, 4.10c; No. 12, 4.05c; No. 13, 4.00c; No. 14, 3.95c; confectioners' A, 4.60c; mold A, 5.15c; cut loaf, 5.50c; crushed, 5.50c; powdered, 4.90c; granulated, 4.80c; cubes, 5.05c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 27@40c.

NEW ORLEANS, April 17.—SUGAR—Market steady; open kettle centrifugal, 3½@3¾c; centrifugal yellow, 3¾@4½c; seconds, 2¾@3¼c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; new syrup, 36@44c.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Market Becomes Narrow Because of Decline in Interest in Open Options.

LAST PRICES LOWEST OF THE DAY

Probable Reopening of the Harriman Hearing Recalls Memories of Slump Accompanying Former Sessions.

NEW YORK, April 17.—The only factor of any importance to be found from the action of today's stock market was its narrowing proportions due to the decline in general interest in the open options. The demand for uncovered shorts, which was responsible for brisk price movements in spite of the small dealings, was carried somewhat further today before it had exhausted its influence on prices. Dealings then lapsed into a state of lethargy. This condition is regarded as rather seasonable, especially after liquidation such as was completed last month. The financial district is full of small traders of the consequences felt by the severe decline in prices which took place then and the heavy losses involved. The fair inference that much is to be done in the way of repair of damage done at that time gives credibility to rumors and makes sentiment sensitive to their influence. The losses involved, it is generally believed, have fallen upon speculators whose operations have been relied upon for some time past for leadership of any important movement in the market. The reduction of the resources available to such operators in itself would constitute an obstacle to an immediate resumption of speculation on any such scale as has been witnessed in the market in the last few years. It is rather obvious, also, that the parity investment demand for stocks, which was conspicuous at the extreme low level of prices and which may be relied upon to effect a actual reduction of the floating supply of stocks, has died out almost entirely at the recovered level of prices and has subsided also in the bond market. The course of the money market, with any active resumption of demand for currency from the interior, is another subject of uncertainty. With the added problems of the outcome of the year's crops and the extent to which the slowing down in trade may go, the halt in stock speculation becomes intelligible.

News developments were of small consequence as they affected the market. Much responsibility for the reaction was attributed to a published report that hearings would be resumed tomorrow by the Interstate Commerce commission into the Harriman railroad operations with an application to the courts to enforce an answer to questions refused before. The effect of previous hearings on the stock market is too recent to allow that suggested resumption to be contemplated with entire equanimity. The strength of the morning was connected to an important extent with the further recovery in copper metal in the London market. Money here was firmer, although the change was scarcely perceptible. New York exchange at Chicago has fallen to 25 cents discount, while foreign exchange here is firmer. Discounts hardened in London and the likelihood of a further reduction in the Bank of England discount rate is lessened by the movement of gold from London to Paris. It is explained, however, that this movement is due to repayment of London discounts which were purchased last year by the Bank of France. The movement, therefore, represents a working back to normal conditions which is expected to operate towards the easing of the stress which has been perceptible in Paris. Today's statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany also showed a rapid further recuperation from the strain of the April settlements reflected in the statement of two weeks ago. Last prices of stocks were near the lowest.