

GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Cash Demand Slackens and Market Ruled More Easier at Opening.

WHEAT WEAK, CORN IS STRONG

Reports Are That Prospects of New Crop of Grain Are Good, Reversing the Previous Reports.

OMAHA, May 14, 1908. The slackening of cash demand coupled with good prospects for the new crop of grain, has caused a reversion of sentiment among bull leaders and values ruled some easier at the opening.

On the other hand, small Argentine estimates and reports of a heavy crop of wheat in the Argentine, and the fact that the market was some firmer at the close.

Wheat opened weaker with sentiment generally bearish and selling was heavy. Shorts were started to cover by the continued, unrelenting weather in the Argentine, which is delaying spring work and values were some firmer at the close.

Corn was strong and prices were advanced readily on buying and a very strong demand owing to the July receipts and country shipments. July corn opened at 82c and closed at 82c.

Oats continued fairly with demand good, and buying was general.

Primary wheat receipts were 338,000 bu. and shipments were 470,000 bu. against receipts last year of 631,000 bu. and shipments of 223,000 bu.

Corn receipts were 20,000 bu. and shipments were 45,000 bu. against receipts last year of 47,000 bu. and shipments of 89,000 bu.

Clearances were none of corn, none of oats and wheat and flour equal to 122,000 barrels.

Liverpool closed 1/16 higher on wheat and unchanged on corn.

Local grain of options:

Table with columns: Article, Open, High, Low, Close, Year's.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 96 3/4; No. 3 hard, 95 3/4; No. 4, 94 3/4; No. 5, 93 3/4; No. 6, 92 3/4; No. 7, 91 3/4; No. 8, 90 3/4; No. 9, 89 3/4; No. 10, 88 3/4; No. 11, 87 3/4; No. 12, 86 3/4.

CORN—No. 2, 82 1/2; No. 3, 81 1/2; No. 4, 80 1/2; No. 5, 79 1/2; No. 6, 78 1/2; No. 7, 77 1/2; No. 8, 76 1/2; No. 9, 75 1/2; No. 10, 74 1/2; No. 11, 73 1/2; No. 12, 72 1/2.

OMAHA CASH PRICES.

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OMAHA GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, May 14.—Wheat prices on the local exchange advanced more than 1c, owing to active demand from shorts.

The advance in wheat prices during the last half of the session and was based largely on an estimate on the amount of wheat to be advanced from the factor.

The amount was much smaller than had been largely expected. The market was weak early in the day on the selling of a large extent by the favorable weather conditions for growing wheat in the corn belt.

The close was strong. July opened 1/2c higher at 82 1/2c. The close was at 82c.

Clearances of wheat and flour were 122,000 bu. compared with 122,000 bu. the corresponding date last year.

Receipts of wheat and flour were 338,000 bu. compared with 470,000 bu. the corresponding date last year.

Chicago reported receipts of 221 cars, against 141 cars last week and 412 cars a year ago.

Wheat was strong and active and the market was strong all day. An advance of 1/2c in the cash grain market was noted.

The close was strong. July opened 1/2c higher at 82 1/2c. The close was at 82c.

Oats were firm. July opened 1/2c higher at 75c. The close was at 75c.

Provisions were easy. At the close July pork was at 17 1/2c. Lard was at 13 1/2c.

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NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Market is Active and Higher on Professional Manipulation.

SALES LARGEST FOR MONTHS

Many Dealers Who Have Fought the Advance Come Over to the Long Side—London Also Buys New York.

NEW YORK, May 14.—The list of securities dealt in on the stock exchange had a more thorough exploitation today than on any other day since the market advanced, and the result was a general advance that has occurred. This was done by a process of rotation which passed from one quarter to another.

The regularity and precision of the movements disclosed the skilled operations of professional and speculative leaders. In fact it was manifest in the stock exchange that many professionals who have determinedly fought the advance in prices through much of the latest stage and who have viewed the market with suspicion and distrust had come over to the long side of the market and were following the obvious current for the trading.

Some large orders of individual stocks executed by single brokerage firms were believed to represent buying of blocks by banks and other institutions.

The market was well filled with orders of the forces with which the advocates of higher prices have had to contend. Important direct orders were received in the course of shifting of holdings from stock to stock and from group to group.

Profit-taking was not a feature of the morning, but it was cautiously pursued and not allowed to make a serious impression.

The market was resilient on reactions and closed at the top with a renewed outburst of buying orders.

It was heard to explain the most important movements, but the action was taken to extend the market to the next day.

Important financial interests with the prospect for ultimate financial revival and with money and credit conditions reports from the metal trades were more definite as to improvement than from other quarters.

By this means the advance in prices falling prices and resultant attraction of renewed demand. Sellers of iron have abandoned pretensions of maintaining at previously agreed levels and more life, in consequence, is reported in the demand for metal.

The condition in the copper trade is analogous and more confidence is expressed of improvement from the prospect here.

Rumors of deals concluded to play a part in the speculation, today's dealing with a prompt acquiescence.

Control of Western Maryland. Alleged Rockefeller control of American Steel was another subject of interest.

A northern railway was taken as additional warrant for confidence in the ability of roads which have been in a position to obtain immediate relief.

Admittedly, the strong weekly return of the Bank of France and a further decline in the gold market at Paris showed the need for additional gold to be fully involved.

Yesterday's heavy gold engagements with the previous repayments of government deposits by the banks, have produced a substantial relief of the market.

The first hour Amalgamated Copper, Baltimore and Ohio and Reading advanced 1/2c, but the market was not so active.

London closing stock quotations: Amalgamated Copper, 104 1/2; Baltimore and Ohio, 104 1/2; Reading, 104 1/2.

Following were the sales and range of prices on the stock exchange today:

Table with columns: Name, Price, Change.

AMERICAN EXPRESS—100 shares, 104 1/2; AMERICAN SUGAR—100 shares, 104 1/2; AMERICAN TUBACCO—100 shares, 104 1/2.

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OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

General Tendency of Values on Fat Cattle Downward.

HOGS CONTINUE ON DOWN GRADE

Trade on Sheep and Lamba Very Slow and Dull at Decline of Ten Cents from Yesterday's Figures.

SOUTH OMAHA, May 14, 1908. Receipts were: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Official Monday, 5,000; Tuesday, 4,500; Wednesday, 4,000; Thursday, 3,500.

Four days last week, 15,000; five days last week, 14,000; six days last week, 13,000; seven days last week, 12,000.

The following table shows the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at South Omaha for the year to date compared with last year.

The following table shows the average price of hogs at South Omaha for the last several days, with comparison of the year.

Table with columns: Date, Price, Year.

Monday, 10c; Tuesday, 10c; Wednesday, 10c; Thursday, 10c; Friday, 10c; Saturday, 10c; Sunday, 10c.

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

Table with columns: Road, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, H's.

Total receipts, 2,341; 11,208; 2,049.

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows: 1,000 head of cattle, 1,000 head of hogs, 1,000 head of sheep.

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