GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Liverpool Lower and Weaker from Profit Taking Sales.

DOMESTIC WHEAT IS NERVOUS

Present Values Based on Local Supply and Demand and Outside Conditions Are Materially Discounted.

OMAHA, Feb. 15, 1909.

Liverpool cables came lower and advices showed a weaker market due to profit-taking sales, but the situation is reported unchanged.

The domestic wheat market was nervous as a result, but the present values are based on local supply and demand and outside conditions are materially discounted.

The corn situation is strong, but the present weather should increase receipts and a larger movement might mean a decline.

Wheat opened steady at Saturday's close, but became nervous with lower cables and some selling pressure. Prices eased off slightly at the close. The market was not active, however, and little or no change is noticeable in the general outlook. May wheat opened at $1.06⅞ and closed at $1.06¾.

Corn firm and steady, with values a shade higher at the start. The market was inactive on the whole and the changes were slow. Cash corn sold readily and was in good demand at prevailing prices. May corn opened at 59c and closed at 59c.

Liverpool closed ¼d lower on wheat and ¼d lower on corn.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'y.
Wheat—					
May	1 06⅞	1 06⅞	1 06¾	1 06¾	1 06⅞
July	96⅛	96⅛	94⅞	94⅞	95⅛
Corn—					
May	59	....	....	59	59
Oats—					
May	50¾	....	....	50¾	50¾

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, $1.05@1.06; No. 3 hard, $1.03@1.06; No. 4 hard, $1.00@1.03½; No. 2 spring, $1.03@1.05.

CORN—No. 2, 58c; No. 3 yellow, 58c; No. 3 white, 60½@61c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, 48½@49c; No. 3 white, 49½@50c; No. 4 white, 49½@49¾c; standard, 50c.

RYE—No. 2, 74½c; No. 3, 73½c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	23	180	203
Minneapolis	216	....	....
Omaha	60	196	16
Duluth	35	....	....

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—Wheat for May delivery sold here today at $1.14¾, a gain of ⅝c over the previous record for the season established last Saturday. The market failed to retain the advance, closing weak, with prices ⅛@¼c to 1⅛c below the previous close. Corn and oats closed firm and provisions steady.

Crippled wire service due to the severe storm over a large section of this country partially paralyzed business in the wheat pit and the advance of the May delivery to a new high mark failed to create any great activity. Moderate purchases by the leading bull, followed by brisk covering by shorts caused the upturn in the May option. Aside from the running up of the May price the chief feature of the day's trading was the selling of the July delivery by a prominent local trader which caused that option to drop nearly 1c from the high point of the day. With the exception of a decrease of nearly 1,000,000 bushels in the visible supply of wheat in the United States the news of the day was mainly of a bearish nature, a decline of ¾d at Liverpool and an increase of nearly 2,000,000 bushels in the amount of breadstuff on passage being the chief weakening factors. During the day the May delivery sold between $1.13⅞ and $1.14¾ and closed at $1.13⅝@1.13¾. July closed at $1.00⅝.

Light offerings of corn from the country had a bullish effect on the market for that grain, but the volume of business was small. Late in the session the market lost a large part of the gain accumulated earlier in the day, the weakness of wheat bringing out increased offerings in the pit. At the close prices were ⅛@¼c above the previous close, with May at 64¾c and July at 64⅛@64¼c.

The feature of trade in oats was the free purchase of September delivery by several leading commission houses. This demand caused a firm feeling throughout the entire day. An advance of ¼c in the price of the cash grain helped to create bullish sentiment. At the close prices were unchanged to ⅛@¼c higher, compared with the previous close.

Provisions displayed considerable strength at the start, owing to a 10@15c advance in the price of live hogs, but lost most of the firmness during the final hour, a slack demand contributing largely to the easier feeling. At the close prices were unchanged to 7½c higher compared with Saturday's close.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'y.
*Wheat					
May	1 13⅞@¾	1 14¾	1 13⅝	1 13⅝@¾	1 13⅞
July	1 00⅞@¾	1 00⅞	1 00	1 00⅝	1 01⅛
Sept.	96⅝	96⅝	95⅝	95⅝	96⅝
*Corn—					
May	64⅝	65	64⅝	64⅝	64⅝
July	64	64½	64	64⅛@¼	64
Sept.	64	64⅝	64	64⅝	64⅛
*Oats—					
May	52⅛	52¼	52⅛	52⅛@¼	52⅛
July	47⅝	47⅝@¾	47⅜	47⅝	47⅝
Sept.	39⅝	40	39⅝	40	39⅝
Pork—					
May	16 92½	16 97½	16 90	16 92½	16 90
July	17 02½	17 00	17 00	17 02½	17 00
Lard—					
May	9 67½	9 67½	9 65	9 65	9 62½
July	9 80	9 80	9 77½	9 77½	9 75
Ribs—					
May	8 92½	8 92½	8 87½	8 87½	8 87½
July	9 07½	9 07½	9 05	9 05	9 05

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm; winter patents, $5.00@5.30; winter straights, $4.70@4.90; spring patents, $5.30@5.70; spring straights, $4.60@5.10; bakers, $2.75@4.20.

RYE—No. 2, 79½c.

BARLEY—Feed or mixing, 62@64c; fair to choice malting, 65@66c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1 southwestern, $1.51; No. 1 northwestern, $1.61. Timothy, $3.75. Clover, $9.35.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $16.75. Lard, per 100 lbs., $9.47½. Short ribs sides (loose), $8.85@8.75. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.87½@9.12½.

Total clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 287,000 bu. Primary receipts were 704,700 bu. The visible supply of wheat in the United States decreased 1,000,000 bu. for the week. The amount of breadstuff on ocean passage increased 1,952,000 bu.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 29 cars; corn, 221 cars; oats, 159 cars; hogs, 29,000 head.

BUTTER—Steady; creameries, 23@29c; dairies, 21@25c.

EGGS—Firm; at mark, cases included, 26@28c; firsts, 29c; prime firsts, 30c.

CHEESE—Easy; daisies, 15½@15¾c; twins, 14½@15c; Young Americas, 16@16½c; Long Horns, 16@16½c.

POTATOES—Steady; choice to fancy, 90@95c; fair to good, 85@92c.

POULTRY—Firm; turkeys, 17c; chickens, 13½c; springs, 15c.

VEAL—Firm; 50 to 60 lbs., 7@8c; 60 to 85 lbs., 8@9c; 85 to 110 lbs., 9@10c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 15.—WHEAT—Unchanged to ½c higher; No. 2 hard, $1.06@1.11; No. 2 hard, $1.06; No. 2 red, $1.20½; No. 3 red, $1.22.

CORN—⅛@¼c higher; No. 2 mixed, 59½@60c; No. 3 mixed, 59½@60c; No. 2 white, 60c; No. 3 white, 61c.

OATS—Unchanged to ½c higher; No. 2 white, 51@53c; No. 2 mixed, 49@50c.

RYE—76@77c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $9.75@10.00; choice prairie, $8.75@9.25.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	221,000	81,000
Corn, bu	59,000	34,000
Oats, bu	19,000	32,000

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The visible supply of grain February 13, as compiled by the New York Produce exchange, was as follows:

Wheat, 41,671,000 bu.; decrease, 1,460,000 bu.
Corn, 4,588,000 bu.; decrease 22,000 bu.
Oats, 9,882,000 bu.; decrease 290,000 bu.
Rye, 78,000 bu.; decrease 22,000 bu.
Barley, 2,911,000 bu.; decrease 30,000 bu.

The visible supply of wheat in Canada Saturday, February 13, was 4,491,000 bu., an increase of 414,000 bu.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—BUTTER—Firm; extra western creamery, 32c; extra western nearby points, 34c.

EGGS—Steady; fair demand; Pennsylvania and other nearby firsts, free cases, 29c at mark, current receipts in returnable cases, 28c at mark; western firsts, 29c at mark, current receipts, free cases, 28@29c.

CHEESE—Firm, moderate demand; New York full creams, 14¾@15c; fair to good, 14½@15c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—FLOUR—Receipts, 1,559 bbls.; exports, 15,900 bbls.; market firm but quiet; Minnesota patents, $5.60@5.75; winter straights, $4.90@5.10; Minnesota bakers, $4.30@4.80; winter extras, $3.75@4.20; winter patents, $5.30@5.50; winter low grades, $3.65@4.10; Kansas straights, $4.90@5.15. Rye flour, firm; fair to good, $4.00@4.25; choice to fancy, $4.35@4.65. Buckwheat flour, firm; $2.10@2.20 per 100 lbs.

BUCKWHEAT—Dull; New York state, 66c, nominal.

CORNMEAL—Firm; fine white and yellow, $1.53@1.60; coarse, $1.50@1.55; kiln dried, $3.40@3.45.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2 western, 85½c, f. o. b. New York.

BARLEY—Steady; malting, 74@78c, c. i. f., New York; feeding, 70@71c, c. i. f., New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 130,800 bu.; exports, 155,062 bu.; spot market easy; No. 2 red, $1.19¼, nominal, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.28¼, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard, winter, $1.20¾, f. o. b. afloat. The May option showed considerable firmness at one time on bull support. July, on the other hand, was weakened by bearish crop news, and after midday the whole market worked off, closing ⅜@½c net lower. May, $1.17@1.18¼, closed at $1.17⅜; July, $1.07⅜, closed at $1.07.

CORN—Receipts, 40,300 bu.; exports, 86,744 bu.; spot market steady and unchanged; options fairly active and stronger, with the west closing ⅛@¼c net higher; May, 71⅞@72⅛c, closed at 72c; July, 71¾@71⅞c, closed 71⅞c.

OATS—Receipts, 56,425 bu.; exports, 2,350 bu.; spot market steady and unchanged; mixed, 26 to 32 pounds, 55½@56c; natural white, 26 to 32 pounds, 56@58c; clipped white, 32 to 40 pounds, 57@62½c.

FEED—Firm; spring bran, $27.50; middlings, $27.50; city, $27.50.

HAY—Quiet; No. 1, 80@85c; good to choice, 80@85c.

HIDES—Quiet; Bogota, 19½@20½c; Central America, 20½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $15.50@16.00; mess, $10.50@11.00; beef hams, $24.00@26.00; packet, $14.00@14.50; city extra India mess, $24.00@26.50. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $9.00@10.50; pickled hams, $9.50@10.00. Lard, firm; western, $9.75@9.85; refined, steady; continent, $10.05; South America, $10.75; compound, $7.25@7.50. Pork, quiet; family, $18.00@19.00; short clear, $19.25@21.00; mess, $17.50@18.00.

TALLOW—Quiet; city ($2 per pkg.), 6c; country (pkgs. free), 5¾@6¼c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 3⅝@6¼c; Japan, nominal.

WEATHER IN THE GRAIN BELT

Fair Tuesday, with a Slowly Rising Temperature, Says the Prophet.

OMAHA, Feb. 15, 1909.

The cold wave continues over the upper valleys and northwest and has extended south over the eastern Rocky mountain slope, lower valleys and west gulf states. Zero weather has extended south over Kansas and temperatures ranging from 4 to 8 above zero prevail over Oklahoma and northern Texas, with freezing weather in western Louisiana and southern Texas. The lowest recorded this morning at Omaha was 6 below zero and temperatures ranging from 10 to 22 below prevail throughout Nebraska. The temperature is rising in the mountain districts and extreme northwest, and the indications are favorable for slowly rising temperature in this vicinity tonight and Tuesday, with fair weather. A disturbance is central over the middle gulf states, and unsettled weather is general everywhere east of the Missouri river and throughout the south. Light snows are falling in the lower Missouri and middle Mississippi valleys and lake region, and rains are general over the Ohio valley and southern states to the gulf.

Record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1909.	1908.	1907.	1906.
Minimum temperature	—6	16	25	00
Precipitation	T	.01	.00	.00

Normal temperature for today, 24 degrees.
Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, 4.28 inches.
Deficiency corresponding period in 1908, 4.94 inches.
Deficiency corresponding period in 1907, 4.12 inches.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—WHEAT—Futures, lower; cash, strong; track, No. 2 red, cash, $1.25@1.26; No. 2 hard, $1.30@1.35; May, $1.16⅞; July, 97⅛@97⅜c.

CORN—Higher; track, No. 2 cash, 63@63½c; July, 63⅛c.

OATS—Higher; track, No. 2 cash, 53c; No. 2 white, 54c; May, 53⅛@53¼c; July, 47⅛c.

FLOUR—Market higher; red winter patents, $5.30@5.75; extra fancy and straight, $4.90@5.35; hard winter clear, $3.75@4.10.

SEED—Timothy, $3.00@4.00.

CORNMEAL—$1.30.

BRAN—Strong; sacked east track, $1.17@1.20.

HAY—Strong; timothy, $10.00@14.50; prairie, $9.50@11.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.00.

BAGGING—6⅝c.

HEMP TWINE—5c.

PROVISIONS—Pork steady; jobbing, $16.87½. Lard, steady; prime steam, $9.30@9.40. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, $9.12½; clear ribs, $9.25; short clears, $9.50. Bacon, unchanged; boxed extra short, $10.37½; clear ribs, $10.25; short clear, $10.50.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 11½c; springs, 13½c; turkeys, 18c; ducks, 12c; geese, 7c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 25@30c.

EGGS—Lower, 26c, case count.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	15,000	19,000
Wheat, bu	62,000	178,000
Corn, bu	129,000	141,000
Oats, bu	76,000	69,000

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Feb. 15.—WHEAT—May, 1.09⅝; July, $1.11@1.11⅛. Cash: No. 2 hard, $1.13⅛@1.15⅝; No. 1 northern, $1.11⅞@1.12⅞; No. 2 northern, $1.10⅛@1.09⅝; No. 3 northern, $1.06⅝@1.08⅝.

FLAX—Closed $1.63. Bran in bulk, $22.00@22.50.

FLOUR—Firm; first patents, $5.55@5.65; second patents, $5.40@5.50; first clears, $4.10@4.25; second clears, $3.05@3.15.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 15.—WHEAT—Spot, strong; No. 2 red western winter, 8s 4d; futures, quiet; March, 7s 11d; May, 7s 10d; July, 7s 10⅛d.

CORN—Spot, steady; new American mixed, 5s 7½d; futures, dull; March, 5s 7½d; May, 5s 6¾d.

FLOUR—Winter patents, firm; 29s 9d.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, Feb. 15.—SEEDS—Clover, cash, $5.45; February, $5.47½; March, $5.47½; October, $5.10; No. 1, $5.32½; No. 2, $5.25; rejected, $5.15; N. E. G., $4.90. Alsike, prime, $8.80; March, $8.80.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Minn., Feb. 15.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, $1.11; No. 2 northern, $1.09; May, $1.11; July, $1.11½.

OATS—50½c.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—METALS—The London tin market was lower today, with spot quoted at £128 12s 6d and futures at £130 7s 6d. The local market was dull and lower in sympathy with spot quoted at $28.25@28.50. Copper had a further decline in London, spot closing at £58 7s 6d and futures at £59 1s. Locally the market was dull and lower, with lake quoted at $12.50@12.62½; electrolytic at $12.00@12.25 and casting at $12.00@12.12½. Lead advanced to 13s 6d in London, but the local market remained dull at $3.97½@4.02½. Spelter was higher at £22 and was a shade lower on the average at 7s 6d in London, while the local market remained dull at $4.85@4.90. The English iron market was lower, with standard foundry quoted at 48s 11½d. The local market was unchanged.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—METALS—Lead, weak; $3.87½@3.90; spelter, weak; $4.80@4.82½.

Sugar and Molasses.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—SUGAR—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3.11c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.61c; molasses sugar, 2.86c. Refined, steady; No. 6, 4.15c; No. 7, 4.10c; No. 8, 4.05c; No. 9, 4.00c; No. 10, 3.95c; No. 11, 3.90c; No. 12, 3.85c; No. 13, 3.80c; No. 14, 3.75c; confectioners' A, 4.45c; mould A, 4.85c; cut loaf, 5.35c; crushed, 5.25c; powdered, 4.65c; granulated, 4.55c; cubes, 4.80c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 38@48c.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—COTTON—Spot closed quiet; 5 points lower; middling uplands, 9.80c; middling gulf, 10.05c; sales, 200 bales.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—COTTON—Dull; middling, 9 7-16c; sales, none; receipts, 1,971 bales; shipments, 1,611 bales; stock, 27,272 bales.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Values Advance to Higher Level Reached in London Market.

ERIE BOND ISSUE SANCTIONED

This Step and Harriman's Southern Plans Have Good Effect on Speculation—Dull Interval Followed by Active Close.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Prices of stocks underwent a rapid readjustment today to the higher level of the London market. While the New York Stock exchange was closed on Friday and Saturday, the foreign dealers were engaged in marking up prices of American securities to conform to the improvement going on in their own home securities.

The clearing of the political horizon abroad, the demonstrated control of the international exchanges in favor of London and the recuperation of reserves of the Bank of England, which is going on in consequence and the prospect of pressure from large accumulations at the banking reserve centers for employment served to stir the dormant speculative spirit in the London market. The subsidence of apprehension abroad has put a stop to the sending home of American securities in liquidation. Some demand for stocks for foreign account has developed, London buying quite freely here today until the rapid rise in our prices had wiped out the margin of profit on arbitrage operations between the two markets. The London market itself suffered some reaction before the day ended, owing to the swift rate of the recent improvement. Beyond this shift in the daily dealings in stocks between the markets much is hoped from a probable revival of investment demand abroad as a factor in furthering the placing of allotments of bond issues of American corporations. Such issues continue to be made on a large scale and still others are discussed.

The decision of the New York State Public Service commission authorizing the Erie bond issue proved quite a potent influence on the speculation. Fears have been expressed that the Erie financial plan was to meet an obstacle in the opposition of this official body. There is no work considered of greater importance at present than the financial measures by which various railroad corporations are being put on their feet and saved from what threatened but a short time since to be forces of disorganization. The Erie was a notable case in point, but was chiefly important as an example of other similar work going on. The sentimental effect of this decision therefore was considerable. The increase in the dividend rate on People's Gas proved another influential factor in the speculation. Following the inauguration of dividends on Brooklyn Transit last week the action suggested the regeneration of an organization in the speculative market which has been of sensational effect in the past. Another conspicuous center of strength was in the southern railroad group, the causes being not clearly visible. The discussion of possible dividend increases was heard in the cases of some of the stocks affected.

The trip of E. H. Harriman through the south and the character of the published remarks attributed to him intimating his plans for large outlays for improvements in that railroad field and his faith in the region were used with effect in furthering the advance. The important influence exerted by the speculative improvement abroad was shown by the subsidence of activity after the hour for London trading had passed. By that time the volume of dealings had sunk back to the level of last week's dullness. The advance in values was turned back also to some extent. The heaviness of the copper industrials conduced to this result. The figures of stocks compiled by the newly formed Copper Producers association are subjected to criticism. Another reduction in quotations for the metal today in London and in New York weighed on the group. Insistent reports of cutting of prices of steel products and of stagnant demand became a factor in the later stock market. Prices were marked up again in the final dealings in expectation of another upward impetus for prices from London tomorrow.

Bonds were strong. Total sales, par value, $6,650,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

Number of sales and principal quotations on stocks were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amalgamated Copper	32,800	77⅜	76⅜	76⅞
Am. C. & F.	4,000	51⅛	50⅜	50⅞
Am. C. & F. pfd	400	111½	111	111
Am. Cotton Oil	4,900	58⅝	57¾	58⅛
Am. H. & L. pfd	400	42	41½	41½
Am. Ice Securities	3,000	22⅞	21⅞	22⅞
Am. Linseed Oil	600	14¼	14	14
American Locomotive	9,200	50⅞	50	50⅛
Am. Locomotive pfd	400	112	112	111½
Am. S. & R.	84,700	85⅞	83½	83⅞
Am. S. & R. pfd	1,700	105¼	104⅞	104⅞
Am. Sugar Refining	1,200	132⅞	132	132⅛
Am. Tobacco pfd	100	92	92	92
American Woolen	500	29½	29	29⅛
Anaconda Mining Co	2,400	46½	45½	45⅞
Atchison	15,900	101⅞	100⅝	101⅛
Atchison pfd	1,000	102⅞	102⅝	102⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	2,700	122⅞	119⅞	121⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	8,900	109⅝	108¼	109⅛
Bal. & Ohio pfd	....	....	....	92
Brooklyn Rapid Tr	40,100	72⅞	71½	72⅛
Canadian Pacific	2,100	174½	173⅞	174⅛
Central Leather	900	32⅞	31⅞	31⅞
Central Leather pfd	200	102⅞	102⅞	102⅞
Central of New Jersey	....	....	....	220
Chesapeake & Ohio	22,600	68⅛	67⅛	67⅞
Chicago Gt. W	1,100	7⅞	7½	7⅜
Chicago & N. W	1,100	179	178½	178½
C., M. & St. P	11,900	147⅞	146⅝	146⅞
C., C., C. & St. L	1,300	74⅛	73⅞	74
Colorado F. & I	1,500	40⅞	40⅛	40⅛
Colorado & So	200	66⅛	65⅞	65⅞
Colo. & So. 1st pfd	600	85	84⅝	84⅝
Colo. & So. 2d pfd	500	82	81⅞	81⅞
Consolidated Gas	4,700	132⅞	131⅛	132⅛
Corn Products	2,700	19⅞	19⅜	19⅞
Delaware & Hudson	400	177	176⅛	176⅞
Denver & Rio Grande	4,400	48⅛	47⅞	47⅞
D. & R. G. pfd	4,900	89⅞	88⅞	89⅛
Distillers' Securities	600	37⅞	37	37⅞
Erie	22,800	32⅞	32⅛	32⅛
Erie 1st pfd	2,200	49⅞	49	49⅛
Erie 2d pfd	1,200	39⅞	39	39
General Electric	1,300	158	156⅞	157
Great Northern pfd	6,200	144	142⅞	143⅞
Great Northern Ore ctfs	500	72⅞	72⅛	72⅞
Illinois Central	1,100	144	143⅛	143⅛
Interborough Met	2,600	16⅛	16	16⅛
Int. Met. pfd	2,800	46⅞	45⅞	44⅞
International Paper	700	12	12	12
Int. Paper pfd	200	56⅛	56⅛	56
International Pump	1,200	29⅞	28⅞	28⅞
Iowa Central	1,200	22⅞	22	22⅞
Kansas City So	4,000	42	42⅞	42⅞
K. C. So. pfd	1,900	72⅞	72⅞	72⅞
Louisville & N	2,900	129⅞	127⅞	129
Minn. & St. L	300	37	32	36⅛
M., St. P. & S. S. M	300	142	140	142⅛
Missouri Pacific	2,400	72	71⅞	71⅞
M., K. & T	1,400	42⅞	42⅞	42⅞
M., K. & T. pfd	200	74⅞	74⅞	74⅞
National Lead	3,500	80⅞	80	80⅞
New York Central	2,900	128	127⅞	127⅞
N. Y., O. & W	2,700	48⅞	47⅞	48
Norfolk & W	2,400	89⅞	88⅞	89⅞
North American	200	82⅞	82⅞	82⅞
Northern Pacific	18,700	140⅞	139⅞	140⅞
Pacific Mail	300	32⅞	32	32⅞
Pennsylvania	3,300	132⅞	132⅞	132⅞
People's Gas	300	114	112	112⅞
P., C., C. & St. L	300	92⅞	91⅞	91
Pressed Steel Car	100	42	41⅞	42
Pullman Palace Car	....	....	....	170
Railway Steel Spring	400	47	46⅞	46⅞
Reading	87,500	134⅞	132	133⅞
Republic Steel	800	24⅞	24	24⅞
Republic Steel pfd	200	83⅞	83⅞	83⅞
Rock Island Co	1,400	25⅞	25⅞	25
Rock Island Co. pfd	300	61	60⅞	60⅞
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	200	43⅞	43⅞	43⅞
St. Louis S. W	300	25⅞	24⅞	24⅞
St. L. S. W. pfd	....	....	....	59⅞
Sloss-Sheffield S. & I	100	78⅞	78⅞	78
Southern Pacific	26,900	120	118⅞	119⅞
So. Pacific pfd	....	....	....	120
Southern Railway	5,200	26⅞	25⅞	26⅞
So. Railway pfd	1,400	65	64⅞	64⅞
Tennessee Copper	500	40⅞	40⅞	40⅞
Texas & Pacific	1,300	32⅞	32	32
T., St. L. & W	300	52⅞	52	52⅞
T., St. L. & W. pfd	....	....	....	52⅞
Union Pacific	75,800	180⅞	178⅞	179⅞
Union Pacific pfd	200	96⅞	96⅞	96⅞
U. S. Rubber	....	....	....	32⅞
U. S. Rubber 1st pfd	300	102⅞	102	102
U. S. Steel	69,200	52⅞	51⅞	52⅞
U. S. Steel pfd	6,600	114⅞	113⅞	114
Utah Copper	300	43	42⅞	42⅞
Va.-Carolina Chemical	3,700	48⅞	47⅞	47⅞
Va.-Caro. Chem. pfd	200	115	114⅞	114⅞
Wabash	1,400	20	19⅞	19⅞
Wabash pfd	1,600	50	49⅞	49⅞
Westinghouse Electric	1,200	82⅞	81⅞	82⅞
Western Union	300	67⅞	67⅞	67⅞
Wheeling & L. E	200	10⅞	10⅞	10⅞
Wisconsin Central	600	45⅞	45⅞	45⅞
Am. T. & T. Co	4,900	129⅞	129	129⅞

Total sales for the day, 567,400 shares.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Money was temporarily scarce today on the market on the calls for $30,000,000 and the preparations for dividend payments. Discounts were steady. The Bank of England secured the bulk of $2,150,000 in gold available. Prices on the stock exchange were only moderately steady. Profit taking and continental politics caused slight recessions in the gilt-edged securities. Consols were easy, pending the budget announcement, while home rails and Russian and Japanese were steady. American securities received little attention, pending the Wall street opening, with the exception of Erie, which was supported on the news that the bond issue had been arranged. Later New York assumed the level of values established over the holidays and supported Union Pacific, Erie and the United States steel freely. The market closed firm, a fraction below the best.

PARIS, Feb. 15.—Prices on the Bourse today were firm. The private rate of discount in 1½ per cent, a decline of ⅛.

BERLIN, Feb. 15.—Trading on the Bourse today was dull, but prices were firm.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Money on call, steady, 2@2¼ per cent. Ruling rate, 2¼ per cent; closing bid, 2 per cent; offered at 2 per cent. Time loans very dull and soft; sixty days, 2¼ to 2½ per cent; ninety days, 2½ per cent; six months, 3 to 3¼ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3½@4 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8480@4.8490 for sixty-day bills and at $4.8705 for demand; commercial bills, $4.84⅜@4.84⅝.

SILVER—Bar, 51⅝c; Mexican dollars, 44c.

BONDS—Government, steady; railroads, strong.

Closing quotations on bonds today were as follows:

U. S. 2s, reg	101⅞	*Mex. c. g. 4s	99⅞
do coupon	101⅞	*Mex. Central 4s	87
U. S. 3s, reg	100⅞	do 1st inc	24⅞
do coupon	100⅞	Minn. & St. L. 4s	87
U. S. 4s, reg	119	M., K. & T. 4s	99⅞
do coupon	120	*do 2s	88⅞
Am. Tobacco 4s	78	N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	87⅞
Am. Tobacco 6s	78⅞	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	93⅞
do 4s	107	N. J. C. g. 5s	129
Atchison gen. 4s	101⅞	No. Pacific 4s	102⅞
do adj. 4s	94⅞	do 3s	74⅞
do cv. 4s	109⅞	*N. & W. c. 4s	98⅞
do cv. 5s	107⅞	O. S. L. rfdg. 4s	96⅞
Atlantic C. L. 4s	97	Penn. cv. 3½s 1915	96⅞
Bal. & Ohio 4s	105	do con. 4s	104⅞
do 3½s	94⅞	Reading gen. 4s	100⅞
Brk. R. T. c. 4s	86⅞	*Rep. of Cuba 5s	102⅞
Central of Ga. 5s	110⅞	*St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	113⅞
do 1st inc	90	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	81⅞
do 2d inc	80	*St. L. S. W. c. 4s	78
do 3d inc	74	Seaboard A. L. 4s	68⅞
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	106⅞	So. Pacific 4s	91⅞
Chicago & A. 3½s	78⅞	do 1st 4s	95⅞
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	97⅞	So. Railway 5s	112⅞
C., R. I. & P. 4s	81⅞	Texas & P. 1s	118⅞
do col. 5s	92⅞	T., St. L. & W. 4s	84
do rfdg. 4s	90⅞	Union Pacific 4s	104
CCC. & St. L. g. 4s	99⅞	do cv. 4s	105⅞
Colo. Ind. 5s	75	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	104⅞
Colo. Mid. 4s	66	*Wabash 1s	112⅞
Colo. & So. 4s	96⅞	Western Md. 4s	85
Del. & H. cv. 4s	101⅞	W. & L. E. 4s	89
*D. & R. G. 4s	98	Wis. Central 4s	94⅞
Erie p. l. 4s	89⅞	N. Y., N. H. & H.	
do gen. 4s	78⅞	cv. 6s ctfs	135
Hock. Val. 4½s	107⅞	Lake Shore 4s 1931	95⅞
Int. Met. 4½s	80⅞	Am. T. & T. cv. 4s	95⅞
Japan 4s	86⅞	Wabash Ext. 4s	77⅞
do 4½s	96⅞	Southern Ry. 4s	79
do 2d series	93⅞	No. Pacific 4s	94⅞
L. & N. uni. 4s	100	D. & R. G. pfd 5s	94⅞

*Bid. **Offered.

Local Securities.

OMAHA, Feb. 15.—Quotations on Omaha stocks and bonds, furnished by Samuel Burns, jr., 624 New York Life building:

	Bid.	Asked.
Columbia Fire Insurance Co	175	180
Combination Bridge, Sioux City	80	85
City of Omaha bonds, 4½s, 1929	101	103
Ind. Tel. 5s 1922, 100% pfd bonus	90	92
Kansas City Ry. & Light 5s, 1922	97⅞	98⅞
Kansas City Ry. & Light pfd	79	80
Nebraska Telephone stock	92	94
Omaha Gas 5s 1917	97	98
Omaha Electric Lt. & Power 5s 1922	100	101
Omaha Electric Lt. & Power pfd	80	82
Omaha & Co. Bluffs St. Ry 5s 1914	99	100
Omaha & Co. Bluffs St. Ry. 5s 1928	99⅞	100
Omaha & Co. Bluffs St. Ry pfd	84	86⅞
Omaha & Co. Bluffs Ry & Bridge pfd	61	63
Omaha Water Co. 5s, 1916	99	101
Omaha Water Co. 5s, 1946	93	95⅞
Omaha Water Co. 1st pfd	18	20
Omaha Water Co. 2d pfd	5	7
Omaha Board of Trade Bldg. Co. pfd	98	100
Omaha Board of Trade Bldg. Co. com	35	40
Swift & Company	102	103⅞
State Insurance Co	118	120
Sheridan Coal 6s, 1922	98	100
Sheridan Coal pfd	30	35
Sheridan Coal com	10	15
Sioux City Stock Yards pfd	88	90
Sioux City Stock Yards com	50	55
Tri-State Land Co. pfd, 50% com bonus	85	90
Union Stock Yards Co. stock	95	98
Union Construction Co., Kansas City	90	95
Wright-Wilhelmy Co. pfd	95	97⅞
Alma, Neb., village 5s	....	100

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, Feb. 15.—Money, call loans, 2½@3 per cent; time loans, 3@4 per cent. Official closing on stocks and bonds:

Atchison adj. 4s	94	Butte Coalition	24⅞
do 4s	101⅞	Cal. & Arizona	106
Atchison R. R.	101⅞	Cal. & Hecla	620
do pfd	102⅞	Centennial	32⅞
Boston & Albany	226	Copper Range	73⅞
Boston & Maine	137	Daly West	10
Boston Elevated	128	Franklin	12⅞
Fitchburg pfd	124⅞	Granby	101
Union Pacific	181⅞	Greene Cananea	10⅞
Am. Arge. Chem	32	Isle Royale	24⅞
do pfd	98	Mass. Mining	7⅞
Am. Pneu. Tube	6⅞	Michigan	12
Am. T. & T.	129⅞	Mohawk	61
Am. Woolen	29	Mont. C. & C.	2⅞
do pfd	96⅞	Nevada	18⅞
Dominion I. & S.	22⅞	Old Dominion	51⅞
Edison Elec. Illu.	250	Osceola	124
Mass. Electric	14⅞	Parrot	28⅞
do pfd	63	Quincy	87
Mass. Gas	62⅞	Shannon	15⅞
United Fruit	127	Tamarack	74
United S. M.	45	Trinity	12⅞
do pfd	29⅞	United Copper	12⅞
U. S. Steel	52⅞	U. S. Mining	43⅞
do pfd	113⅞	U. S. Oil	31⅞
Adventure	5⅞	Utah	42⅞
Allouez	44⅞	Victoria	5
Amalgamated	77	Winona	8⅞
Arizona Com.	36⅞	Wolverine	148
Atlantic	17⅞	North Butte	78

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Closing quotations on stocks were as follows:

Cons., money	84 11-16	M., K. & T.	44⅞
do account	84⅞	N. Y. Central	130⅞
Anaconda	9⅞	Norfolk & W.	91
Atchison	104⅞	do pfd	90
do pfd	104	Ontario & W.	49⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	112⅞	Pennsylvania	68
Canadian Pacific	179⅞	Rand Mines	7⅞
Ches. & Ohio	69⅞	Reading	68⅞
Chicago Gt. W.	8	Southern Railway	27⅞
C., M. & St. P.	150	do pfd	66
De Beers	13⅞	Southern Pacific	122⅞
Denver & R. G.	49⅞	Union Pacific	184⅞
do pfd	91	do pfd	99
Erie	33⅞	U. S. Steel	54⅞
do 1st pfd	50	do pfd	116⅞
do 2d pfd	40	Wabash	20
Grand Trunk	19⅞	do pfd	51
Illinois Central	146	Spanish 4s	94⅞
Louisville & N.	132	Amal. Copper	79⅞

SILVER—Bar, quiet, 23⅝d per ounce.

MONEY—1½@1¾ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2½@2⅝ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for three-month bills is 2½ per cent.

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Closing quotations on mining stocks were:

Alice	200	*Little Chief	10
Brunswick Con.	2	Mexican	65
Com. Tunnel stock	25	Ontario	400
do bonds	16	Ophir	125
Con. Cal. & Va.	57	Standard	180
Horn Silver	70	Yellow Jacket	40
Leadville Con.	4		

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Feb. 15.—Bank clearings for today were $1,395,150.28, and for the corresponding date last year $1,972,420.54.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Staple and Fancy Produce Prices Furnished by Buyers and Wholesalers.

BUTTER—Creamery, No. 1 delivered to the retail trade in 1-lb. cartons, 32c; No. 1 in 60-lb. tubs, 31c; No. 2 in 1-lb. cartons, 28c; in 60-lb. tubs, 29½c; packing stock, 19c; fancy dairy, tubs, 22@25c; common roll, fresh made, 20c. (Market changes every Tuesday.)

EGGS—Fresh selling stock, candled, 26c. No storage stock on Omaha market.

CHEESE—Finest, Wisconsin, full cream, twins, 15c; young Americas, 4 in hoop, 16½c; favorite, 4 in hoop, 16c; daisies, 20 in hoop, 16½c; cream brick, full case, 15c; block Swiss, 18c; full-cream limburger, 16c.

Beef Cuts—Ribs, No. 1, 18c; No. 2, 12c; No. 3, 9½c. Loin, No. 1, 19½c; No. 2, 14c; No. 3, 11c. Chuck, No. 1, 7½c; No. 2, 6½c; No. 3, 5½c. Round, No. 1, 9½c; No. 2, 8½c; No. 3, 7½c. Plate, No. 1, 4¾c; No. 2, 4½c; No. 3, 3c.

POULTRY—Alive, springs, 11½c; hens, 10c; cocks, 5½c; ducks, 10½c; geese, 9½c; turkeys, 15c; pigeons, per doz., 85c; guinea fowls, per doz., $2.50; squabs, per doz., $2. Dressed, hens, 11c; springs, 12@13c; cocks, 6½c; ducks, 12c; geese, 11c; turkeys, 21c.

FRESH FRUITS — Apples, New York Baldwins, $4; fancy Ben Davis, $4; Missouri Pippins, $3.75; Idaho Roam Beauties, $2; extra fancy Ben Davis, per box, $1.65. Bananas, 1-bunch lots, 3½c per lb. Oranges, $2.25@2.50. Lemons, $3.50@4.00. Grape fruit, $4. Grapes, Malagas, $6.00@7.00 per keg. Florida pine apples, per crate, $5.

STRAWBERRIES—40c per qt.

VEGETABLES — Kansas sweetpotatoes, $2.25 per bbl. California celery, large, 75c; smaller, 60c. New York Holland seed cabbage, 2½c per lb. Wisconsin Red Globe onions, 1½c per lb. California cauliflower, $2.75 per crate. Tomatoes, 4-basket crate, $2.50; Florida, 6-basket crate, $3; Cuba, 6-basket crate, $3. Lettuce, per doz., 45c. Old vegetables—parsnips, turnips, carrots—$2.25 per bbl. Florida new beets, carrots, parsnips, turnips, etc., per doz., 75c.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 10c; No. 1 cured, 11c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—COFFEE—Futures opened steady and advanced in response to higher European cables. European covering and fresh buying for long account. The close was steady. Sales, 25,250 bags, including March at 6.40@6.50c, May at 6.45@6.55c, July at 6.50@6.55c, September at 6.55@6.60c. December and January at 5.80c. Spot coffee, steady and unchanged; No. 7 Rio, 7⅞@8c.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—WOOL—Nominal; medium grades combing and clothing, 19@23c; light fine, 16@20c; heavy fine, 10@13c; tub washed, 28@37c.

Bee Want Ads Are Business Boosters.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Killing Cattle Show Improvement, While Feeders Remain Steady.

HOGS FIVE TO TEN CENTS HIGHER

Moderate Run of Sheep and Lambs, While Trade is Not Very Active and Prices Are Barely Steady.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 15, 1909.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Estimate Monday	2,500	2,300	4,900
Same day last week	2,226	5,974	9,833
Same day 2 weeks ago	2,434	4,359	7,437
Same day 3 weeks ago	2,714	4,468	3,277
Same day 4 weeks ago	2,441	6,263	5,878
Same day last year	4,267	1,468	9,902

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

	1909.	1908.	Inc.	Dec.
Cattle	119,217	130,564	....	11,347
Hogs	334,312	444,676	....	110,363
Sheep	179,971	174,780	5,191	....

The following table shows the average price of hogs at South Omaha for the last several days, with comparisons:

Dates.	1909.	1908.	1907.	1906.	1905.	1904.	1903.
Feb. 5	6 13⅝	4 26	6 86	5 53	*	4 77	6 82
Feb. 6	6 12⅝	4 22	6 91	5 58	4 52	4 81	6 78
Feb. 7	*	4 16	6 81	5 57	4 74	*	6 74
Feb. 8	6 07	4 20	6 87	5 69	4 64	4 89	*
Feb. 9	6 14⅝	*	6 91	5 70	4 69	4 89	6 72
Feb. 10	6 22⅝	4 09	*	5 72	4 77	5 02	6 75
Feb. 11	6 20	4 17	6 90	*	4 77	5 09	6 73
Feb. 12	6 13⅝	4 20	6 91	5 72	*	5 09	6 72
Feb. 13	6 15	4 12	6 91	5 76	4 81	4 96	6 81
Feb. 14	*	4 02	6 96	5 80	4 84	*	6 86
Feb. 15	....	4 02	6 92	5 84	4 85	4 96	*

*Sunday.

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	H'rs.
Missouri Pacific	4	..	..	..
Union Pacific	29	14	5	..
C. & N. W., west	40	4	1	1
C., St. P., M. & O.	..	1	..	..
C., B. & Q., east	1	..	..	2
C., B. & Q., west	25	14	12	2
C., R. I. & P., east	..	1	..	..
C., R. I. & P., west	..	..	..	1
Chicago Gt. Western	..	1	..	..
Total receipts	99	35	18	6

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co	186	66	300
Swift and Company	268	401	1,252
Cudahy Packing Co	408	596	1,467
Armour & Co	475	349	1,028
Carey & Benton	122	....	....
Lobman & Rothschild	130	....	....
W. I. Stephen	152	....	....
Hill & Son	51	....	....
F. P. Lewis	150	....	....
J. B. Root & Co	30	....	....
J. H. Bulla	76	....	....
L. F. Husz	48	....	....
McCreary & Carey	178	....	....
Sam Werthimer	21	....	....
H. F. Hamilton	22	....	....
M. Hagerty & Co	14	....	....
Sullivan Bros	4	....	....
Evansville Pkg. Co	....	431	....
Fry Packing Co	....	267	....
Other buyers	177	....	....
Totals	2,384	2,000	4,247

CATTLE—There were 100 cars of cattle here this morning and the market as a whole was in fair condition. Prices on most kinds were a little better and the trade in a good healthy condition.

Buyers all seemed anxious for desirable beef steers and the general market might be described as strong to 10c higher than last week's close. The trade, however, was not overly active even at the better prices, so that considerable time was consumed in making a clearance.

The market on cows and heifers also looked a little better and as a rule salesmen were describing it as strong to 10c higher than last week's close. While there seemed to be a pretty good demand, packers were apparently in no hurry to fill orders at advanced prices and the trade was at no time very active.

The stocker and feeder trade did not show very much strength. Speculators were talking that the market was already too high and that there really ought to be some reaction. With beef cattle quoted stronger it was very hard to force feeders downward to any great extent and as a rule salesmen thought they worked out about steady on the better grades. The commoner kinds were rather dull and if anything a little easier than last week's close.

Quotations on cattle: Good to choice cornfed steers, $5.90@6.35; fair to good cornfed steers, $4.90@5.60; common to fair cornfed steers, $4.00@4.90; good to choice cows and heifers, $4.25@5.30; fair to good cows and heifers, $3.25@4.50; common to fair cows and heifers, $2.00@3.00; stock heifers, $2.75@4.00; veal calves, $3.00@6.75; bulls, stags, etc., $2.75@4.75; good to choice stockers and feeders, $4.50@5.00; fair to good stockers and feeders, $3.75@4.50; common to fair stockers and feeders, $2.60@3.75.

Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
24	1015	5 00	17	1210	5 50
27	969	5 10	18	1258	5 60
24	1056	5 15	21	1166	5 60
13	1061	5 30	3	1191	5 60
20	1138	5 35	18	1071	5 60
46	1216	5 45	40	1301	5 75
17	1013	5 45			

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
6	860	2 25	17	857	3 60
9	781	2 40	4	962	3 75
7	783	2 50	4	936	4 00
3	921	2 50	6	1046	4 15
7	862	2 70	18	1061	4 35
9	878	2 80	9	964	4 40
10	790	2 75	11	1054	4 40
21	795	2 90	8	1097	4 50
6	1071	2 80	7	1140	4 60
4	1057	3 55	21	1049	4 65
6	1070	3 55	15	1088	4 75

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	655	3 00	27	348	4 00
12	769	3 05	3	743	4 10
5	558	3 25	21	595	4 15
1	558	3 50	9	725	4 15
11	540	3 70	4	611	4 20
6	640	3 75	16	660	4 50
4	780	3 80	23	726	4 75
9	567	4 00			

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	1255	3 00	1	1330	3 85
1	1020	3 00	1	1400	4 00
1	1230	3 25	1	1740	4 10
1	1450	3 40	1	1370	4 20
1	810	3 50	1	1490	4 25
1	1230	3 60	1	2180	4 25
1	1130	3 75	1	1800	4 50

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
7	288	4 00	3	128	6 25
4	271	4 50	1	120	6 50
3	290	5 00	1	140	7 00
1	187	5 75	1	120	7 00
1	144	6 25	1	110	7 25
2	140	6 50	1	130	7 50

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	590	3 25	1	370	4 25
2	525	4 00	11	530	4 40
5	1037	4 65	129	1067	5 05
4	633	4 10	27	1066	5 05
4	610	4 35	3	1004	5 15
7	682	4 50			

A. B. Cross—Wyo.

9 cows	1046	4 90	4 calves	180	7 25
7 steers	918	4 75	7 mixed	1168	5 25
23 mixed	1267	5 40			

William Timm—Wyo.

41 feeders	806	4 70	3 heifers	806	3 25
3 cows	860	4 00	1 bull	810	3 25

Billings & Parker—Wyo.

102 feeders	997	5 05	21 feeders	860	4 80
11 feeders	624	4 50	6 cows	1125	4 65

HOGS—Hogs sold 5@10c higher than Saturday this morning, but the market was more or less uneven in spite of the fact that receipts were so light. At the outset the best shipping hogs sold in many cases as much as 10c higher, while a little later the market came to a complete standstill, buyers lowering their bids until they were no better than steady with Saturday. In fact, some hogs actually sold in about Saturday's notches. A little later the market braced up, closing about 5c higher than last week, making the general market as noted above in most cases 5@10c higher. In spite of the fact that there were only thirty-three cars in, the trade was slow owing in part to some of the packers staying out on account of there not being enough hogs to make a killing for all of them, and partly because salesmen were determined to make the most of the light run and secure every cent possible for their holdings.

Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
77	185	...	5 85	60	244	...	6 20
24	192	...	6 00	71	139	40	6 20
86	178	200	6 00	75	233	80	6 20
83	198	80	6 05	67	260	...	6 20
67	197	80	6 10	74	240	...	6 25
68	229	40	6 15	75	239	...	6 25
60	224	200	6 15	70	256	...	6 25
81	236	160	6 15	78	237	30	6 30
61	241	80	6 15	62	287	...	6 30
75	257	80	6 15	63	246	...	6 35
74	239	80	6 15	74	280	...	6 35
61	239	160	6 17½	66	286	...	6 35
65	277	...	6 20	57	288	...	6 40
60	211	...	6 20	60	258	...	6 40
33	198	80	6 20	60	329	80	6 42½

SHEEP—Receipts this morning were quite moderate and as trains were late, owing to the storm that prevailed over the greater part of the west yesterday and last night, there was no great number of either sheep or lambs on sale at any time. At the same time the demand did not appear as urgent as on most days and the trade was lacking in snap and life throughout. It might, perhaps, best be described as a slow, indifferent market, with prices showing but little change in any direction. Most salesmen were describing it as about steady or barely steady as compared with last week's close. Mexican yearlings sold at $6.70@6.85. There were no good lambs to make a test of the market, one bunch of fair stuff going at $6.65. The few ewes here were pretty slow sale.

Quotations on sheep and lambs: Good to choice lambs, $7.00@7.30; fair to good lambs, $6.50@7.00; feeding lambs, $6.00@6.75; good to choice light yearlings, $6.50@6.85; good to choice heavy yearlings, $6.00@6.40; feeding yearlings, $5.25@5.75; good to choice wethers, $5.50@6.40; fair to good wethers, $4.75@5.50; feeding wethers, $4.25@4.75; good to choice ewes, $4.65@4.90; fair to good ewes, $4.25@4.65; feeding ewes, $3.00@4.00; culls and bucks, $1.00@2.75.

Representative sales:

No.		Av.	Pr.
4 western ewes		87	4 25
22 western wethers		110	5 40
436 western yearlings		95	6 35
36 western wethers		86	5 40
464 Mexican yearlings		71	6 85
567 western yearlings		82	6 70
5 western ewes, culls		81	4 50
438 western ewes		107	4 25
139 western ewes		101	4 35
496 western ewes		100	4 50
204 western yearlings		94	6 35
120 western yearlings		92	6 35
23 western wethers		110	5 40
6 western wethers		130	5 40
4 western ewes		87	4 75
104 western ewes		99	3 50
6 western lambs		56	6 50

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET

Cattle Strong to Ten Cents Higher—Hogs Ten to Twenty Cents Higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—CATTLE—Receipts, 22,000 head; market strong to 10c higher; steers, $4.60@7.00; cows, $3.00@5.50; heifers, $3.00@5.75; bulls, $3.40@5.00; calves, $2.50@8.60; stockers and feeders, $3.50@5.40.

HOGS—Receipts, 42,000 head; market 10@20c higher; choice heavy shipping, $6.60@6.65; butchers, $6.50@6.60; light mixed, $6.40@6.50; choice light, $6.50@6.55; packing, $6.35@6.55; pigs, $5.00@6.25; bulk of sales, $6.40@6.55.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 8,000 head; market steady; sheep, $4.25@5.50; lambs, $6.75@7.60; yearlings, $5.00@7.00.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,970 head, including 1,750 Texans; market steady to 10c higher; native shipping and export steers, $5.60@7.25; dressed beef and butcher steers, $4.00@6.40; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.50@6.00; stockers and feeders, $3.50@5.00; cows and heifers, $3.25@6.25; canners, $1.75@2.25; bulls, $2.75@5.25; calves, $5.00@8.25; Texas and Indian steers, $3.50@6.40; cows and heifers, $1.75@4.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 9,400 head; market 15c higher; pigs and lights, $4.50@6.50; packers, $6.45@6.65; butchers and best heavy, $6.55@6.70.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,580 head; market steady; native muttons, $3.75@5.50; lambs, $4.50@7.75; culls and bucks, $2.25@5.00; stockers, $2.90@4.00.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 15.—CATTLE—Receipts, 7,000 head, including 500 head southerns; market strong to 10c higher; veal calves, 25c higher; choice export and dressed beef steers, $4.60@6.35; stockers and feeders, $3.50@5.25; southern steers, $3.40@6.00; southern cows, $2.40@4.25; native cows, $2.50@5.25; native heifers, $3.40@6.00; bulls, $3.00@4.65; calves, $3.25@7.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 7,000 head; market 5@15c higher; top, $6.50; bulk of sales, $6.00@6.45; heavy, $6.40@6.50; packers and butchers, $6.20@6.45; light, $5.75@6.22½; pigs, $5.00@5.65.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 4,500 head; market for sheep steady; lambs, 10@15c lower; lambs, $6.25@7.25; yearlings, $5.50@7.10; wethers, $4.75@5.60; ewes, $4.25@5.10; stockers and feeders, $3.00@4.50.

St. Joseph Live Stock Market.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 15.—CATTLE—Receipts, 1,200 head; market steady to 10@15c higher; steers, $4.75@6.00; cows and heifers, $2.00@5.60; calves, $3.50@6.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,000 head; market 5@10c higher; top, $6.40; bulk of sales, $6.05@6.35.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 2,000 head; market 10c higher; lambs, $6.50@7.45.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Feb. 15.—(Special Telegram)—CATTLE—Receipts, 400 head; market strong; beeves, $4.50@6.50; fat cows and heifers, $3.50@5.50; feeders, $4.00@5.00; yearlings, $3.00@4.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 800 head; market 10c higher; range of prices, $5.00@6.35; bulk of sales, $6.15@6.25.

Stock in Sight.

Receipts of live stock at the six principal western markets yesterday:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	2,500	2,300	4,900
Sioux City	400	800	....
St. Joseph	1,200	4,000	2,000
Kansas City	7,000	7,000	4,500
St. Louis	3,700	9,400	1,600
Chicago	22,000	42,000	8,000
Totals	36,800	65,700	21,300

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., Feb. 15.—BUTTER—Firm; 30c; sales for the week, 427,100 lbs.

HAILS FROM TOO MANY TOWNS

Mendicant Tells Police Kansas City, Judge Council Bluffs and Judge Says "Fifteen Days."

"I just come over from Council Bluffs," said Dan Clifford, a one-eyed, one-armed individual who was arrested for begging on the streets Sunday afternoon and was arraigned in police court Monday. "Here's a note I just got to get me into the county hospital."

"That man told us yesterday that he had just arrived from Kansas City," testified an officer, "and his hospital order is dated three weeks ago and has been used to beg with."

"Fifteen days in jail for Dan Clifford," announced the judge.

LOAN SHARK VICTIM FREE

Man Who Steals Because Oppressed by Ghouls is Not Prosecuted by Employer.

Frank Dyer, the young man arrested in connection with the theft of $94 from the retail store of the Max Geisler company and who confessed to taking the money, has been released from custody. Mr. Geisler decided not to prosecute Dyer if the money was returned, which was done. Dyer, who was employed at the bird store, has a wife and two little children, who had to be cared for by the police matron because of their destitute condition. He said it was his family's circumstances and his oppression by loan sharks that led him to steal. Their home is in the rear of 1125 North Seventeenth street.

Increasing Assets

The published statement under date of February 5th, '09, shows steady gains in strength.

Capital and Surplus,	$1,000,000.00
Loans	7,010,555.50
Bonds	1,130,815.66
Cash	4,883,240.60

While loans have increased, the deposits have also increased, and the cash reserve maintains its usual high percentage.

Deposits $11,754,947.71

The largest of any bank in Nebraska.

IS NOT THIS A GOOD PLACE FOR YOUR ACCOUNT?

First National Bank of Omaha

Thirteenth and Farnam Sts.

Entrance to Safety Deposit Vaults is on 13th St.

LID TO COME OFF MORTGAGES

Unassessed Documents to Be Exposed by Realty Men.

BILL TO AVOID DOUBLE TAXATION

Exchange Believes at Least Ten Million Dollars of Eastern Money is Loaned in Douglas County and Not Taxed.

How many millions of dollars of mortgages are under cover and not assessed in Douglas county is to be ascertained by the Omaha Real Estate exchange and used in support of a bill to make "double taxation" impossible.

It is thought at least $10,000,000 of eastern money is loaned on Omaha and Douglas county real estate and the taxes paid on them amounts to a sum about equal to the interest on 50 cents.

"Since the mortgages escape taxation anyway, we might just as well fix our laws so mortgages will not be subject to taxation and invite foreign capital to come and home capital to loosen up," says a real estate dealer active in support of the proposed measure. "Only last week I lost an opportunity to loan $5,000 of eastern money in Omaha because of our mortgage taxation laws. That's a small sum, but probably other agents lose also and the sum total in a year amounts to $1,000,000 or more which would be invested in securities here if the laws were adjusted."

Simple Looking Measure.

The special committee of the Omaha Real Estate exchange appointed to draw a substitute for the Taylor bill, which has passed the house, has drafted the measure. It is a simple looking bill and much more carefully drawn than the Taylor bill, according to the committeemen.

This measure will be sent to Lincoln as a suggestion for a substitute for the Taylor bill, as more nearly covering the ground.

In simple the effect of the bill, should it be enacted into law, will remove mortgages on real estate from the personal property list and they will be regarded as an equity in the real estate with which they are secured. Says a dealer who is interested:

"If I own a farm worth $10,000 and a mortgage is given on it for $3,000, that mortgage constitutes an equity in the farm for $3,000, and when the taxes are paid on the $10,000 farm they are also paid on the mortgage—$7,000 on the part still owned and retained by the giver of the mortgage and $3,000 on the equity given to the one who holds the mortgage."

No Loss of Revenue.

The bill drawn by the special committee of the Real Estate exchange, if it becomes a law, will not reduce the amount of revenue received from taxation in Nebraska, according to the friends of the measure, as the amount now received by the so-called "double-taxation" method above the amount which would actually come to the treasury from taxes on real estate, is said to be very small.

The bill provides:

The value of real estate affected by a mortgage, trust deed, contract or other voluntary obligation, less the value of such lien, shall be assessed and taxed to the owner of such real estate, and the value of such lien shall be assessed to the owner of such lien, in the county, city, village or district in which the real estate affected thereby is situated.

It also provides:

The taxes so levied shall be a lien on the real estate and also on the mortgage lien, and in absence of agreement to the contrary may be paid either by the owner of the real estate or the owner of the lien; if paid by the owner of the lien the tax paid upon the real estate affected thereby shall become a part of the debt so secured; if the owner of the real estate shall pay the tax so levied on such lien it shall constitute a payment thereon, and as to the amount of such payment thereon a full discharge thereof.

FARM LAND GOES WITH A RUSH

West is Getting Large Numbers of Settlers in Its Irrigated Sections.

The spring campaign of land sales is starting out with a boom and many deals which have been hanging fire for some time are being closed up. Indications are cropping out on all sides for heavy deals in lands all over the west and the inquiries are enormous.

Farming is being put on more of a commercial basis with the advent of irrigation, which makes crops certain and the sales of small irrigated tracts for fruit raising enormous. The exhibits made by the western states through the middle states has stimulated the movement of this class of farms which are proving more attractive to city buyers than the old style farms. The opening of select pieces of Indian reservation land for orchard purposes has also stimulated landseekers to move into the west and has awakened many people to the wisdom of securing choice tracts.

Big ranches of the west are also being thrown open for settlement for various reasons and they also are proving attractive to settlers who are flocking through the Omaha gateway in larger numbers than they have for the last ten years.

An increasing demand for dry farming land is reported, movement of this class of soil being stimulated by the dry farming congress, which is to be held at Cheyenne next week.

Railroads passing through Omaha have been forced to add more tourist cars to handle the business.

Oklahoma Bank Robbed.

MUSKOGEE, Okl., Feb. 15.—The bank at Oaktaha, sixteen miles south of this city, was robbed early today and the sheriff and a number of deputies with bloodhounds have started for the scene. No details have been received.