Omaha Stock Market Breaks All Records; Packers Expand

TO OMAHA BEATS FORMER RECORD

Highest Prices in History of Union Stock Yards Paid for Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

Local live stock receipts last year were the largest in the 35 years existence of the Union Stock yards Omaha ranks as the second larges live stock center being outranker only by Chicago. Receipts in cat tle are the third largest in the country, while in sheep and hog received here the local yards ran second. Total receipts for the year are - - head, an increase of -over the record of 7.613,898 hea made in 1917.

Live stock this year brought the highest prices in the history of the exchange. The fall run of stoc during the past year surpassed al previous records.

Expand During the Year.

During the last year \$350,000 ha been spent for improvements at the stock yards, and \$250,000 has been appropriated for this year. In add tion 250 new cattle pens have been completed and plans drawn for 25 more this year. The horse market is the only one

to show a decrease. This is due to Electricity, Light & Power the fact that the government has Electrotyping practically taken over the horse Envelopes
Lusiness. At the outbreak of the Flour & Mill Products war Omaha was the largest range Foundry Products Fur Garments .. horse market.

Auto truck receipts which were Linimportant until November, 1917. became a large factor during the Furniture past year. By auto truck 18,498 car-fruit Tree Spray 47,510 h. and 87, 4 lip? .vbgkhmbhmhm tle, 153,019 sheep, and 37,130 hogs Food Products 4,275 were received.

Stock yards statistics and comparisons with former years are:

	Rec	eipts 191	4.	
		PARTO TOTAL	050	H. &
	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep:	Mules
January	151,638	220,968	244,266	2,150
February	1.14,190	363,513	165,452	1,751
March	150,912	393,347	219,293	2.26
April	153,139	379,218	164,709	6.53
May	128,968	284,636	129,456	5.3
June	118,897	284,160	116,791	969
July	135,493	287,672	198,571	3.24
August .	157,866	225,067	400,041	3,20
Sept'b'r .	244.838	147,405	769,395	3.73
Octob'r .		133,135	571,421	2,18
N'v'ber		239,499	208,719	1.06
D'e'mb'r	175,700	365,000	190,500	
	Tota		N.	
1914	926,694	2,267,384	3,147,434	28,561
	.225,000	2,639,000	3,310,000	41,600
	434,304	3,116,820	2,170,908	27.48
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	,996,334	3,426,353	3,386,113	3.19

War Reduces the Output

association

tics for 1918:

of Omaha Smelting Works of Omaha Smelting Works

A total of 397,267 books were loanand midnight, 731.

War cut into the business of the ed during the year and 9,482 new

There were 476 fires in dwellings, ice machines costing \$100,000. taled \$47.258,224.11, as against \$59,- work, all but three of the deposit 997,165 for 1917. The Omaha plant stations were closed. The circulation ontinues to be the largest lead re- at the high school branch libraries

thery in the world.

The following shows the output of the Omaha plant during last vear, and the values:

nearly doubled during the year.

During 1918 a total of 30,225 books were loaned through the high schools as opposed to 18,315 last

vear,	and the	values:		
Gold	*********	195,810	OZS.	\$ 4,047,392
Silver		20,141,563	025.	19,739,731
Lead		263,164,942	1bs.	19,737,170
'opper		11,968,892	1bs.	2.924.723
Vitriol	******	3,632,000	1bs.	345,040
Mise.	metals	1.199.103	Ths.	464,966

Fewer Arrests Are Made Here Than the Year Before

he Omaha police department aring 1918 made 13,878 arrests. ompared with 14,959 in 1917. There ere nine murders, 12 suicides, 35 tempted suicides, 459 turned over the juvenile court and 77 lodgers uring 1918. In 1917 there were ight murders, 25 suicides, 59 atimpted suicides and 284 turned ver to the juvenile court and 591 lodgers. The big decrease in men who asked a night's lodging at the station house in 1918 was due to war conditions, with plenty of work for everybody.

AMUSEMENTS

Dancing

Ben-Hur Dancing Club No. 158 will give a big Dancing Party

Wednesday Evening

New Year's Night

At their hall, 28th and Farnam

All friends invited; come and have a good time

GOOD MUSIC



Saturday

LIVE STOCK RUN Omaha Factory Output in 1918 Nearly Half Billion BUSINESS HAS

The factory output of Omaha industries during the year of 1918 Harness & Saddles
reached a grand total of \$427,271,161 Ice. Artificial
worth of merchandise, showing an Ice Cream worth of merchandise, showing an approximate increase of \$100,000,000 for the twelve months, or 33 per Lighting Fixtures This is double the output of Linetyping

The output of each line of merchandise is as follows:

Machine Shop Si-ialties
Metal Specialties
Metallic Packing

	chandise is as follows:	
	Factory Output, 1918-8127.	
	Advertising Noveliles \$	
a.	Agricultural Implements	120
	Alfaifa Products	4,281
(-	Art Glass and Mirrors	24
s.	Artificial Limbs	13.
	Automobiles, Bodies, Part and	3.49
at.	Accessories	195.
1	Bags & Bag Factory Products	2.900
d	Bakers' Supplies	30.
t-	Barbers' Supplies	40.
e	Barrels and Tubs	765.
5	Beverages!	434,
	Blue Prints	11.
k	Boiler Compound	36,
ır.	Boots and Shoes	1.750
	Hoxes & Crates (Wooden and	355,900
	Paper) Bread & Bukery Products	861.
d	Brend & Bakery Products	1,585.
	Brick and Tile	201.
e		81.
c	344 H (1) 14 H (1) 15 H	23,
	Hutter	20,387.
k	Buttermille (Powdered)	100
11	Candy Cars & Rolling Stock Rebuilt	1,271.
	Cars & Rolling Stock Rebuilt	2,525.
	Chemicals	84.
	Chemicals	120,
5	Church Furniture	75,
	Cigars	371.
C	Cleaning Compounds Polishes	16.
11	Clothing	220.
1-	Coffee	1.628.
11	Concrete Blocks & Ornaments	244.
44	Cornice & Sheet Metal Work	552,
0	Costumes	25,
	Crackers and Cookles	3,800,
e	Drugs. Pharmaccuticals &	
-	Sundries	208,

Leather Novelties Macaroni Machinery

Milk (Bottled & Condensed) Mill Work, Sash & Doors ,000 Monuments Meusaleums Ottleal goods 200 Ornamental from ,000 Packing house products.... 000 Paint and glass Picture frames and moulding 040 Pillows and bedding 500 Pipes (smeking) 000 Poultry food and supplies 499 Printing, publishing and litho-500 graphing 000 Railway signals

182 Refrigerating machinery 182 Road machinery 180 Reach powder 180 Rubber stamps and stencils. 360 Signs 500 Smelter products 000 Soap and soap products. 000 Spices, extracts, baking pow-000 der, etc. 890 Starch .

1.910,000 Sweeping compound 25,000 Syrups and preserves...... Tanks, stacks, drums, etc. 48,930 Tents and awnings ... 7,458,135 Totlet preparations ... 499,524 Trucks Trunks and traveling bags 350,000 Vinegar, pickles and catsup. Waterproof products Welding apparatus

47,510

Public Library Has Fire Losses in Omaha Record of Supplying Total Half Million for 11 Months 1918 Books to Soldiers

Omaha's public libraries have made a fine record during the past Zimman for the first 11 months of pork products to the allied armies. 1918 shows that 1,970 alarms were year in supplying books to both civilians and soldiers. All the librar- \$475,445, all covered by insurance Swift & Co. will build a utility buildies at the neighboring forts have except \$31,067. been enlarged with novels, general

literature and books on technical subjects purchas. from the fund of buildings, 687; false alarms, 258. ing the past year the Cudahy plant given by the American Library Fires occurring between midnight was enlarged by the erection of a and noon were 1,239; between noon seven-story warehouse at a cost of

Omaha plant of the American books added by purchase or gift. 79 in sheds, 45 in rooming houses, Refining company. As a war measure, to allow time for 44 in garages, 35 in apartment houses, 29 in barns, 29 in flats, 22 in fice and a fire hall for firemen. Mor grocery stores and 17 in hotels.

> for the fires: Sparks from chimneys, 212; burning grass and rubbish, 173; chimneys burning out, 148; spontaneous combustion of 143; not known, 102; sparks from locomotives, 72; children and tablished at the forts, the quarter-master's department depot, Twenty-65; thawing out water pipes, 15; in-

> second and Hickory, has had a cendiary, 19, branch library established. The Ne-Fifteen people were burned fatally braska Base Hospital Unit 49 took seven seriously, eight severely and with it a library of 2,000 volumes, eight slightly in the fires.

Following are the library statis-The biggest fire was that of the Three women and 39 men were rescued by firemen from burning

buildings during the year.

Dan Cupid Has Been Real Slacker During Year 1918

Dan Cupid has been a slacker in Omaha during 1918, according to figures of Marriage License Clerk Charles E. Furay. The total for 1918 was 2,420; for

Total number of books, in the library system, January 1.

Total number of registered borrow



PACKING HOUSE SHOWN BIG GAIN

Packers Spend Nearly Twice as Much for Salaries and Supplies as Last

Live stock slaughtering and ship-S rieshrdlu mtwy hedl hm hm hmh ping at the South Side packing plants broke all records during the 50,320 past year. An increase over 1917 of millions of dollars of business is

Year.

26,000 plies than in any previous year. year, \$5,000,000 for supplies and capacity of 9,000 tons. \$4,500,000 for salaries. This represents an increase of \$10,000,000 constructed for the purpose of storin the amount expended for live stock and an increase of more than 100 per cent on salaries. The average number of employes working for the company during the year was 3,450 as opposed to the 2,200 employed last year.

Armour & Co. paid a total of \$4,-000,000 to its 2,800 workers. Swift employes, numbering 2,136, received a total of \$2,981,664 as pay. Morris & Co. employed 1,400 persons during the year, an increase of 40 per cent over 1917

New Killing Record.

1917 figure and establishes a new record. Hogs were the principal item. The greater part of the hog products were used to fill government contracts. Government contracts undertaken by the packers added an extra stress to the business and required much overtime work. Local plants had large parts in filling the largest orders for meats ever made by the government. Swift & Co. shipped the largest number of cars of meat during the

year, sending 17,683 cars. Armour & Co. shipped 15,000 cars, many of which had double loads, and received 5,490 cars of supplies. Morris & Co. loaded 6,576 refrigerator The report of Fire Commissioner cars and sent 25,885,537 pounds of = Improvement plans for 1919 have turned in. The total fire loss was been completed by all the plants. ing for employes containing the The fires occurred as follows: latest construction dressing rooms. Frame buildings, 722; other than toilet rooms, rest and recre-

Swift & Co. constructed a bungalow style employes' physician' ris & Co. made the following ex-The following causes are given penditures for improvements: New dressing room, \$20,000; stock plant

\$25,000 and two electrically driven

PHOTO-PLAYS

building, \$25,000; loading docks, \$40, 000; repairs, \$30,000; new equipment,

Record for 1918.

The four packing houses that have reported give the following figures or stock slaughtered during the past 12 months:

Cuthle Hogs! Sheep Calves Cudshy . 301.425 627.562 43.338 42.075 Swift . . . 309.930 599.425 420.129 25.500 Armour . . . 278.000 685.000 274.000 21.000, 175.471, 471,417 179,949

Water System Is Extended

Considerable During Year Construction of extensive improvements and the maintenance of its usual good financial showing are features of 1918 operations of the Metropolitan water district.

During the year it completed the ice plant at Twentieth and Poppleshown and nearly twice as much ton avenue, and commenced serving 7.810 was expended for salaries and sup- the public the latter part of August. This ice plant has a capacity of 100 The Cudahy Packing company re- tons per day. The water district is 75,000 ports that it expended \$65,000,000 now completing the construction of for I've stock in Omaha during the a storage house which will have a

At Florence a second coal pit was ! ing coal under water, which will enable the department to have a sufficient supply of coal on hand to insure against shortages and blockades.

A new pumping unit of 30,000,000 gallons capacity has been purchased and is now being installed at the Florence pumping station. This pump will practically double the supply of water available for the

During the past year the pumpage reached the highest in the history of the plant, averaging for the The number of animals slaughter- month of August over 23,000,000 ed during the year far surpassed the gallons per 24 hours. The water district has in service over 351 miles of cast iron water mains, with 33,000 water services.

The Benson water plant has been taken over and incorporated into the Metropolitan water system, the water district having assumed bonds on the Benson plant amounting to

Coroner Handles 102 Cases During the Year

The county attorney, acting as coroner, makes the following report for the year: Investigations, 75; inquests held, 27; total cases handled

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SCREEN PRESENTATION

Ascendant Star of Nebraska

It we may trust an ebullient correspondent of The Times, the star of Nebraska blazes high in the firmament. It has made \$1,000,000,000 of war profits out of its products. It has \$500,000,000 on deposit in its banks. A large part of this year's crop of wheat, corn and livestock is still on the farms. Though the figures may

be a trifle spiffulous, it is still,

as it were, reeking with prosper-

Consider some of its income Before the war, 80 cents was a fair price for wheat. For the last two years it has been above \$2. and under government guarantee this price will continue throughout the entire crop season of 1919. And all wheat produced next year will be purchased at this price up to July 1920. Nebraska can produce 80,000,000 sushels. Corn has been selling above \$1, and a part of the time this year sold almost on a parity with wheat. A corn crop of 200,000,000 bushels is common for Nebraska, and sometimes it gets

Hogs before the war sold freely at around \$7.50 a hundred. Now they are \$17.50, and this price is practically guaranteed so long as the food administration, operating with buyers for the allies, continues in existence. The price of hay has doubled and tripled, and Nebraska produces more alfalfa than any other two states. It likewise produces more than 100,000,000 pounds of beet

up to 300,000,000.

sugar. No wonder this amazing state has now more automobiles per capita than any other state in the union, that its farmers are large stockholders in the banks, and sometimes own them altogether; and that in general its citizens are a'livin' high.

Yet outside of its cities and

municipalities the whole state of Nebraska has only about 75 miles of paved roads. It is going to increase them. When the road season opens next spring thousands of laborers and skilled workmen are going to get busy. It is reckoned that beside the 41,000 troops which Nebraska sent to the war, almost as many more men have left the state to go into war work. There never was a time when Nebraska was so short of labor nor when it had so much money and was just aching to do something with it. We salute this sovereign west-

ern state and wish it godspeed in the work of saving the nation from the wreck and ruin that in the view of the pessimistical minded impends upon us, now that the booms of war are over. Its condition is reassuring. And we fancy that in a broad way these conditions are not very different in the neighboring states of Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Dakota, and, for that matter, at least 80 per cent of the union. It is certainly not very different down south with 30-cent cotton in the air. The croakers and the gloomers should take a vacation out west .- New York Tribune.

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Nearly 6,000 Pieces of **Property Change Hands**

Register of Deeds Pearce reports that during 1918 his office recorded 5,958 deeds. Other totals reported by him in a summary of the year's work follow: Total number of instruments, 13.632; receipts of the office, \$16,873.15; ddeed considerations. \$16,293,698.21; farm mortgages and releases, 255; city mortgages filed. 3,014; amount of city mortgages \$7,430,450.96; city releases filed 3422; amount of city releases, \$6,

AMUSEMENTS.

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NEW YEAR'S

Hotel Fontenelle

A New Year's Dinner de Luxe will be served from 12:30 P. M. to 8:00 P. M. at \$2.50 the plate.

Dancing

Dr. Manning has removed the ban on dancing after 6 P. M. Jan. 1st, 1919. We have, therefore, arranged to hold the usual New Year's Eve Festivities on New Year's Night, commencing at 11 P. M.

Supper will be served in Main Restaurant at \$2.00 per plate.

Dancing in Lobby and Ball Room

Twenty-five Piece Orchestra

Make Reservations by phone or in person.