Market, Financial and Industrial News of the Day

Live Stock

Omaha, Dec. 27.

Receipts were:	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Monday estimate	6,800	7,200	10,600
Same day last week	4,098	5,488	4,245
Same 2 weeks ago	10,731	9,510	4,678
Same 3 weeks ago	8,904	7,876	11,040
Same day year ago	10,692	12,423	14,776

Receipts and disposition of live stock at the Union stock yards, Omaha, Neb., for 24 hours, ending at 3 p. m. December 27, 1920:

RECEIPTS—CARLOT.

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
C., M. & St. P.	24	4	1
Wabash	1	..	..
Union Pacific	44	9	13
C. & N. W., east	18	26	3
C. & N. W., west	87	13	18
C., St. P., M. & O.	66	15	9
C., B. & Q., east	5	1	..
C., B. & Q., west	28	13	8
C., R. I. & P., east	13	2	1
Illinois Central	1	6	2
Chicago Great Western	4	..	..
Total receipts	307	87	51

DISPOSITION—HEAD.

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Morris & Co.	892	651	1,032
Swift & Co.	1,224	823	3,371
Cudahy Packing Co.	1,118	886	2,280
Armour & Co.	1,186	1,371	3,894
J. W. Murphy	....	1,219	....
Dold Packing Co.	200	1,187	987
Lincoln Packing Co.	129	....	....
S. Omaha Packing Co.	31	....	....
Higgins Packing Co.	35	....	....
Hoffman Bros.	20	....	....
John Roth & Sons	39	....	....
Maycrowich & Vail	16	....	....
Glassberg	10	....	....
Wilson & Co.	219	....	....
F. P. Lewis	5	....	....
J. B. Root & Co.	214	....	....
J. H. Bulla	16	....	....
Rosenstock Bros.	238	....	....
Wertheimer & Degen	29	....	....
Ellis & Co.	19	....	....
John Harvey	650	....	....
Jensen & Lundgren	58	....	....
Dennis & Francis	18	....	....
Cheek & Krebs	16	....	....
Omaha Packing Co.	17	....	....
Midwest Packing Co.	14	....	....
Swift (Sioux City)	....	520	....
Other buyers	1,000	....	1,360
Total	7,183	6,653	10,904

Cattle—The week opens out with a fair run of cattle, about 6,800 head, or some 2,000 more than were here last Monday. Quality of the offerings was fair and for the most part prices ruled steady with Friday, or around 50@75c lower than at the best time last Thursday. Choice corn-fed steers sold up to $10.50, but fair to very good kinds moved slowly at $8.75@9.75. Inquiry for cows and heifers was not very broad and trade decidedly draggy, the fair to good butcher and beef kind going largely at $5.50@7.00. There was not much doing in stockers and feeders, but prices were practically in the same notches as toward the latter part of last week.

Quotations on cattle: Fair to good beeves, $8.25@10.00; common to fair beeves, $7.00@8.25; fair to good yearlings, $8.00@9.50; common to fair yearlings, $6.50@8.00; choice to prime heifers, $7.50@8.50; good to choice heifers, $6.00@7.25; choice to prime cows, $7.00@7.75; good to choice cows, $6.00@7.00; fair to good cows, $4.75@6.00; common to fair cows, $3.25@4.75; good to choice feeders, $7.75@8.75; fair to good feeders, $6.75@7.75; common to fair feeders, $5.50@6.50; good to choice stockers, $7.50@8.50; fair to good stockers, $6.50@7.50; common to fair stockers, $5.00@6.50; stock heifers, $4.25@5.75; stock cows, $4.00@5.00; veal calves, $7.50@9.50; bulls stags, etc., $4.25@7.00; good to choice grass beeves, $8.00@9.00; fair to good grass beeves, $6.75@7.75; common to fair grass beeves, $4.50@6.50; Mexicans, $5.00@6.00.

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
24	877	7 50	23	1219	8 00
20	1214	8 00	40	1128	8 40
23	1047	8 60	21	1298	8 65
40	1187	8 75	13	1123	9 00

STEERS AND HEIFERS.

12	806	7 25	18	1151	9 75

COWS.

7	945	3 75	23	1004	5 75
26	1114	6 00	24	1081	6 10
23	1110	6 35	22	996	6 50
6	1358	7 50			

HEIFERS.

19	857	6 50	30	984	7 10
8	954	7 25	9	858	7 25

BULLS.

1	1260	6 00			

CALVES.

3	450	6 00	17	390	7 00
3	295	8 50			

Hogs—Receipts of hogs this morning were estimated at 7,300 head. Prices were held steady with Friday's average with the demand inactive and dull. Packing hogs sold steady to strong while shipping hogs were weak. Bulk of sales ranged 9.00@9.75@10.10; best weight shipping hogs selling for $10.15, the day's top.

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
65	239	80	9 80	67	261	80	9 85
67	293	120	9 80	60	271	..	9 85
50	221	..	9 80	72	269	140	9 90
77	217	40	10 00	39	227	..	10 05
81	201	..	10 10	46	241	..	10 15

Sheep—A rather liberal Monday's run of sheep and lambs showed up, about 10,600 head, and the proportion of aged stock was somewhat larger than usual. Inquiry for lambs was reasonably brisk, and prices much the same as they were on last Thursday. Fair to good kinds going at $10.35@10.55. Aged stock was very slow in moving as the demand was limited and there was lots of it on sale; fair ewes sold around $3.15@4.00 but movement was slow throughout and prices unevenly lower. There was not much inquiry for feeder lambs but prices showed no particular change as compared with last week.

Quotations on sheep: Best fat lambs $10.75@11.35; medium to good lambs, $10.50@10.75; plain and heavy lambs, $8.50@10.00; yearlings, $8.75@9.00; wethers, $4.75@6.00; good to choice ewes, $4.00@4.50; fair to good lambs, $3.75@4.00; cull and canner ewes, $2.00@2.50; feeding lambs, $8.00@9.75; feeding ewes, $3.75@5.65.

FAT LAMBS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
146 fed	70	10 40	148 fed	85	10 25
172 fed	81	10 35	235 fed	75	10 50
153 fed	96	10 85			

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Cattle—Receipts, 19,000 head; beef steers unevenly 25 to 50c lower. Spots more; top heavies, $12.50; top yearlings, $12.00; bulk steers, $8.00@12.50; she stock and bulls strong to higher; bulk cows and heifers, $5.00@8.00; bulls mostly $5.50@7.00; calves, steady; packers top, $11.00; new old vealers $12.00@12.50 to outsiders; stockers and feeders steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 19,000 head; lights, 25 to 50c higher; closing firm; others mostly 25c higher; packing sows steady to 10c higher; top, $10.80 for light lights; practical top on lights, $10.75; bulk, $10.00@10.65; pigs 25 to 50c higher; bulk desirable 80 to 130-pound pigs, $10.65@10.75.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 10,000 head; fat lambs and yearlings 50c to $1 higher; choice fed western lambs and yearlings, $12.65; bulk, $11.75@12.50; matured sheep 50c higher; fed western ewes, $5.00; bulk ewes, $4.00@4.75; feeders steady; best feeder lambs, $10.00.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 27.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,800 head; beef steers, steady, 25c lower; early sales, $7.50@10.10; some held above $11.00; she stock, uneven, mostly 25c higher; choice cows, $7.00@7.35; good heifers, $8.50@9.00; canners and bulls, steady to strong; bulk canners, $3.00@3.50; feeders, steady; calves, 50c@$1.00 higher; top vealers, $11.60.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,800 head; few early sales yard traders, 25@40c higher than Friday's average; closing to packers and shippers, 10@25c higher; early top, $10.25; bulk of sales, $9.65@10.00; good and choice fat pigs, $10.00@10.25.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 6,000 head; lambs, 25@40c higher; yearlings, 25c higher; sheep, strong; bulk fat lambs, $10.50@11.35; top, $11.40; best yearlings, $8.75.

Sioux City Live Stock.

Sioux City, Ia., Dec. 27.—Hogs—Receipts, 2,400; market steady; 15 cents higher; light, $8.60@8.85; mixed, $8.50@9.75; heavy, $9.50@9.70; bulk, $9.60@9.80.

Cattle—Receipts, 1,800; market steady. fed steers and yearlings, $4.50@13.00; fat cows and heifers, $4.50@6.50; canners, $3.00@4.25; veals, $4.00@9.50; feeders, $5.50@7.75; common calves, $4.00@6.00; feeding cows and heifers, $3.25@5.50; stockers, $4.50@6.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 525; market steady.

St. Joseph Live Stock.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 27.—Hogs—Receipts, 3,000; 25@50c higher; top, $10.20; bulk, $9.75@10.00.

Cattle—Receipts, 1,700; steers, slow, mostly 25c lower; others steady to strong; steers, $6.50@12.00; cows and heifers, $2.50@9.00; calves, $5.50@8.00; stockers and feeders, $5.50@8.00.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; 25@75c higher; lambs, $10.50@11.50; ewes $3.50@4.00.

New York Sugar.

New York, Dec. 27.—The local market for raw sugar was easier today and prices were lower, declining 1-16c to the basis of 4.9 1-6c for Cubas, rest and freight, equalto 5.31c for Centrifugal. There were sales of 3,500 bags of Porto in port early at 4½c, equal to 5.38c for Centrifugal, followed by sales of 5,000 bags of Porto Rico, about due at 5.31c for Centrifugal, at which level the market closed.

Chicago Potatoes.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Potatoes steady; receipts, 47 cars; northern whites sacked $1.40@1.55 cwt; Idaho rurals, $1.65.

Financial

The New York Times.

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Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire.

New York, Dec. 27.—The closing week of the year beginning today with no sign either of the money market commotion which frequently marks the occasion or of the aggressive buying of investment stocks and bonds at rising prices, such as will sometimes precede the January interest payments. The money market was unruffled, there was no sign of unusual demand and rates for both demand and time loans remained as they stood last week. It is now the prevalent conclusion that the special-year-end requirements have so long been kept uppermost in mind throughout all the business of the banks that advance publication has been made in a quite unusual degree.

On the Stock exchange today's transactions were barely half as large as on the active days of last week or in the last week of December of 1919 or 1918. Apparently the bulk of the business done was by professional speculators, who, in the Wall street phrase, were "feeling for weak spots" in the market. The result of such experimental tests was to disclose a good deal of underlying strength in the railway shares, but little resisting power among the industrials, several of which declined 3 to 5 points. These stocks, along with the rest of the list, moved up again in the final hour, probably because of news that the holdings of one group of promoters, which were lately overhanging the market, had been taken up by banking interests. In the end most of the industrials closed above the day's lowest, but at irregular and sometimes considerable net declines.

Bond Market Irregular.

The bond market was extremely irregular, and in some quarters lower.

Wall street appeared to be convinced that prices of both bonds and stocks were influenced by sales either "to establish losses" for the income tax, or to raise money needed for other purposes. Insofar as the establishing of losses has been a dominant influence, it will necessarily cease altogether to operate with the ending of this week. It will then be possible to see what real and immediate influence is to be exerted by the prospects of easier money and the traditional season of reinvestment.

Prediction is difficult when one is dealing with an investment situation so markedly psychological in character. For the present, imagination seems to count for a good deal more than tangible realities, and everyone knows that financial imagination is now as deeply imbued with pessimism as it was with unwarranted optimism toward the close of 1919. That Liberty bonds should have moved up again to a level of 1½ to 2 points above last week's lowest, was one of the few signs of the day that the investing community was looking at both sides of the situation.

Optimistic on Future.

Occasional expert forecasts in regard to the coming financial year are still contributing to the public's interests in what it rightly considers an obscure and perplexing outlook. Following Mr. Armour's prediction of last week, that price of goods in general cannot go much lower, and that revival of business may come as suddenly as did the reaction from the "boom" of a year ago, Judge Gary now speaks for the steel trade viewpoint, and Mr. Daniel Guggenheim from that of the copper industry. The chairman of the steel corporation is, as usual, cautious about predicting immediate results, but he believes that one "may look forward with confidence to marked improvement of business." This will be "perhaps not so soon or so rapidly as we could wish," and Judge Gary still "recognizes danger in the situation," but he avows himself "more optimistic in regard to the future than at any time during the last six years."

While this diagnosis is prudently noncommital as to time and particulars in foreshadowing the future, Mr. Guggenheim particularizes. He believes that financial people "are frightened, and to a great extent unnecessarily and unjustifiably so," that the west is much less pessimistic than the east; that the reduction of prices will release for investment sums of money running into the thousands of millions and that our country, like the England of a century ago, will as a consequence, be willing and able to provide the necessary credits for Europe after financing our home enterprises.

New York Quotations

Furnished by Logan & Bryan, Peters Trust building:

BAILS.

	High.	Low.	Close.	Fri
A., T. & S. F.	80⅝	79⅞	80⅜	80¼
Baltimore & Ohio	32⅝	31⅝	31⅝	32¼
Canadian Pacific	113⅝	113	113½	113⅝
N. Y. & H. R.	13⅝	13⅜	13⅜	13⅝
Erie R. R.	12¾	12¼	12⅝	12¾
Gt. Northern, pfd.	73⅞	72½	73	73½
Chi. Gt. Western	7½	7½	7½	7½
Illinois Central	85½	84½	85	85½
M., K. & T.	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝
K. C. Southern	18½	18	18	17½
Missouri Pacific	16½	15⅞	16	16½
N. Y., N. H. & H.	16⅞	16¼	16¼	16⅞
North. Pacific Ry.	79⅝	77¾	78½	78½
Chi. & N. W.	64	62⅞	63⅝	64
Penn. R. R.	39¼	39	39⅛	39⅝
Reading Co.	80½	78¾	79⅜	78⅝
C. R. I. & P.	25⅛	24⅞	24⅞	24⅝
So. Pac. Co.	96	94⅝	95¼	94⅞
Southern Ry.	21	20½	21	21
C., M. & St. P.	26	25⅝	25⅝	26
Union Pacific	115½	114½	115¼	114⅞
Wabash	7½	7½	7⅝	7⅝

STEEL

Am. Car & Fdy.	116	115½	116⅛	117
Allis-Chalm. Mfg.	27⅛	27	27½	28⅛
Am. Loco. Co.	78¼	77	77½	79
Utd. Alloy Steel	28⅛	28	28⅛	29
Baldwin Loco Wks.	82⅛	80¾	81	82½
Beth. Steel Corp.	54⅜	52¾	53⅜	53½
Colo. Fuel & Iron.	27	26½	26½	27
Crucible Steel Co.	78½	74⅞	75½	79⅛
Am. Steel Found.	29¼	29	29	29½
Lack. Steel Co.	49	47¾	49	48⅝
Mid. Steel & Ord.	30½	29⅞	30¼	30⅞
Pressed Steel Car.	75	75	75	75⅛
Rep. Iron & Steel.	59¼	57⅞	58¼	58⅞
Railway Steel Spg.	77½	77½	77½	77½
Sloss-Shef. Steel	42½	42	42	46
U. S. Steel	78½	77¼	77⅝	78½

COPPERS.

Anaconda Cop.	32	31½	31½	32
Am. Smlt. & Rfg.	35	29⅞	30¼	34⅜
Butte & Sup. Min.	8½	8¼	8½	8⅝
Chile Copper Co.	9¼	9	9¼	9
Chino Copper Co.	17½	17	17¼	17⅝
Calumet & Ariz.	42	41⅝	41⅝	42
Inspiration Cons.	28⅛	28	28	28
Kennecott Copper.	15⅞	15½	15⅝	15½
Miami Copper Co.	15¾	15	15⅜	15
Nev. Cons. Copper.	8⅞	8⅝	8⅝	8⅝
Ray Cons. Copper	11⅝	10⅞	11⅛	11⅜
Utah Copper Co.	47⅝	46½	47¼	47½

INDUSTRIALS.

Am. Beet Sugar.	37	36	37	36½
Atl., G. & W. I. S.	100¼	96	97⅝	102
Am. Inter. Corp.	32⅝	31½	32⅛	32½
Am. Sum. Tob Co.	70½	69⅝	69⅝	69⅝
Am. Cotton Oil	17¼	16⅝	16⅝	16⅝
Am. Tel. & Tel.	95	94⅛	95	95
Am. Zinc, L. & Sm.	6¼	6⅛	6⅛	
Brklyn. Rap Trans.	9⅜	9⅛	9⅛	10
Bethlehem Motor	2½	2¼	2½	2¼
American Can Co.	32	31⅞	32⅛	33½
Chan. Motor Car	67⅛	61⅜	62⅜	63
Cent. Leather Co.	33	32½	32½	33⅜
Cuba Cane Su. Co.	18¾	17⅜	17⅞	17⅞
Cal. Pack. Co.	58¾	58½	58½	59
Cal. Pet. Corp.	26⅝	25¾	25¾	26½
Corn Pts. Rfg. Co.	65⅜	64	64½	65⅝
Nat. En. & Stamp.	46	46	46	46¼
Fisk Rub. Co.	10¼	10⅛	10¼	10¼
General Elec. Co.	118¼	117½	118¼	118⅝
Gast. Wm. & Wlg.	2¼	2	2¼	2⅛
Gen. Motors Co.	13⅜	13¼	13½	13¾
Goodrich Co.	32	31¾	31¾	32
Am. H. Lth. Co	7	6⅞	6⅞	7⅛
Has. & Brkr. Car.	53	52⅜	53	53
U. S. Ind. Al. Co.	62⅜	61	61⅜	62
Int. Paper Co.	44⅛	43	43	44⅛
Inter. Nickel	12⅜	12	12	12⅛
Inter. Nickel	44⅛	42	43	44⅞
Ajax Rub. Co.	25½	25	25	25½
Kelly-Spring. Tire	32½	32⅛	32⅛	32⅝
Key. Tire & Rub.	7⅛	7	7	7⅛
Inter. Merc. Mar.	12	11⅞	11⅞	12
Maxwell Motor Co.	3	2⅞	2⅞	....
Mex. Petroleum	157⅞	153¼	155	158
Middle States Oil	12⅜	12⅛	11⅞	12½
Pure Oil	31⅜	31⅛	31¼	31½
Willys-Over. Co.	6⅝	6⅛	6⅛	5½
Pierce Oil Corp.	10½	9¾	9¾	10⅜
Pan-Am. P. & T.	73¾	71⅝	72⅝	73½
Pierce-Arrow Mot.	17¼	16⅝	17	17
Royal Dutch Co.	61⅜	59½	61⅛	59⅝
U. S. Rubber Co.	56⅞	54¾	55	56⅝
Am. Sug. Rfg. Co.	88⅜	88	88	89
Sinclair O. & R.	23⅝	21⅜	21⅞	22
Sears-Roebuck Co.	91½	90⅜	91	93½
Strom. Carb. Co.	28	27½	27½	28¼
Studebaker Corp.	42	41	41	41⅜
Tob. Products Co.	48	48	48	48⅞
Trans-Con. Oil	6⅝	6¼	6⅜	6⅝
Texas Co.	43¼	42¼	42⅝	43⅞
U. S. F. Pr. Corp.	16½	16¼	16⅜	16⅜
U. S. S. R. & M.	31	30½	30⅝	31½
White Motor Co.	33	32¾	32¾	33¼
Wilson Co., Inc.	28½	28	28½	28⅝
West. Airbrake	92	91¼	91½	92
West. El. & Mfg.	41	40⅜	40⅝	40⅞
Am. Woolen Co.	59	57¾	57⅞	58

Total sales, 602,000.

	Close.	Friday Close.
Money	7.	7.
Marks	.01395	.0140
Sterling	3.63	3.63¼

Bar Silver.

New York, Dec. 27.—Bar Silver—Domestic, 93¾c; foreign, 64½c.

Mexican Dollars—48½c.

Omaha Grain

Omaha, Dec. 27.

Grain arrivals today were light considering the amount on hand was an accumulation for a three-day period. Cash wheat ranged unchanged to 2 or 3 cents lower, the bulk about 1 to 2 cents off. Corn was a cent higher to a cent lower. Advance was confined to No 3 yellow and the market generally was weaker. Oats were unchanged to ½ cent off. No. 3 white unchanged. Rye and barley were firm.

WHEAT.

No. 1 hard: 2 cars, $1.71; 3 3-5 cars, $1.70.
No. 2 hard: 4 cars, $1.69; 7 cars, $1.65; 2 cars (smutty), $1.66; 1 car (smutty), $1.65; 1 car (smutty), $1.64.
No. 3 hard: 3 cars, $1.66; 2 cars (smutty), $1.62; 3 cars (smutty)), $1.62.
No. 4 hard: 2 cars, $1.61; 2 cars, $1.62; 2 cars (smutty), $1.60.
No. 5 hard: 1 car (heavy), $1.67; 2-5 car, $1.57.
Sample hard: 1 car, $1.57.
No. 2 durum. 1 car, $1.59.
No. 3 mixed: 1 car, $1.59; 1 car (durum), $1.58.
No. 3 mixed: 1 car (durum), $1.57.

CORN.

No. 4 white: 1 car, 68c.
No. 5 white: 1 car, 67c.
No. 3 yellow: 1 car, 64c.
No. 4 yellow: 3 cars, 60c; 1 car (shipper's weights), 60c.
No. 1 mixed: 1 car, 65c.
No. 3 mixed: 2 cars, 62c; 2 5-8 cars, 60c.
No. 4 mixed: 1 car, 59c; 3 cars, 58c.

OATS.

No. 3 white: 3 cars, 45½c; 3 cars (shipper's weights), 45¼c.
No. 4 white: 1 car, 45½c; 3 cars, 45c.

RYE.

No. 1: 1-5 car, $1.48.
No. 2: 1 car, $1.48.
No. 3: 1 car, $1.48.
No. 4: 1-5 car, $1.47.

BARLEY.

No. 3: 1 car, 76c.
No. 4: 3 cars, 61c.
Rejected: 1 car, 60c; 1 car (musty), 60c.

CHICAGO CAR LOT RECEIPTS.

	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
Wheat	12	28	40
Corn	152	118	304
Oats	67	78	99

KANSAS CITY CAR LOT RECEIPTS.

	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
Wheat	462	462	377
Corn	71	76	79
Oats	9	10	13

ST. LOUIS CAR LOT RECEIPTS.

	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
Wheat	353	222	113
Corn	129	162	170
Oats	41	61	149

NORTHWESTERN CAR LOT RECEIPTS OF WHEAT

	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
Minneapolis	377	455	995
Duluth	71	103	6
Winnipeg	576	702	223

U. S. VISIBLE (BUSHELS.)

	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
Wheat	45,171,000	47,276,000	78,499,000
Corn	4,368,000	4,127,000	3,712,000
Oats	3,161,000	31,964,000	13,478,000

OMAHA STOCKS (BUSHELS)

	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
Wheat	917,000	993,000	3,943,000
Corn	304,000	247,000	395,000
Oats	1,188,000	1,181,000	427,000
Rye	53,000	63,000	251,000
Barley	24,000	9,000	5,000

OMAHA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS (CARS).

Receipts—	Today	Wk. Ago	Yr. Ago
Wheat	115	115	41
Corn	51	66	89
Oats	25	24	81
Rye	6	18	11
Barley	7	6	4
Shipments—			
Wheat	87	58	53
Corn	20	12	34
Oats	6	11	19
Rye	3	5	2
Barley	1	3	2

PRIMARY RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS (BUSHELS).

Receipts—	Today	Year Ago
Wheat	1,901,000	2,092,000
Corn	1,426,000	1,468,000
Oats	684,000	929,000
Shipments—		
Wheat	911,000	636,000
Corn	431,000	413,000
Oats	348,000	523,000

New York Coffee.

New York, Dec. 27.—While no special change was reported in Brazil, the market for coffee futures here was unsettled today, with prices lower under scattering liquidation, part of which came from Wall street sources. First prices were 6 to 10 points lower, with March selling off to 6.35c and May to 6.75c, or about 11 to 13 points below Friday's closing figures. There were slight rallies later, but they were not sustained, the prices being approximately the lowest of the day, with the market showing a net decline of 8 to 15 points. A good deal of the business consisted of switch from near to late months.

December, 5.85c; January, 5.81c; March, 6.35c; May, 6.76c; July, 7.09c; September, 7.34c; October, 7.44c.

Spot coffee, quiet; Rio 7s, 6¼@6⅜c Santos 4s, 9½@10c.

New York Curb.

The following quotations are furnished by Logan & Bryan Co:

Allied Oil	15	@ 16
Boston Montana	40	@ 42
Cresson Gold	1⅛	@ 1¼
Cons. Copper	1⅛	@ 1⅛
Cosden Oil	5	@ 5½
Elk Basin	7⅛	@ 7⅝
Federal Oil	1⅞	@ 2
Glenrock Oil	1⅞	@ 2
Merritt Oil	10½	@ 10⅝
Midwest Ref.	138	@140
Mtn. Mines	7⅝	@ 7⅞
Sems Oil	6¼	@ 6½
Sapulpa Oil	4¼	@ 4⅜
U. S. Steamship	1¼	@ 1⅜

New York Cotton.

New York, Dec. 27.—(Cotton)—Cotton opened quiet, unchanged to 3 points higher. About the only feature was a demand for January from shorts, which imparted strength early to the entire list after the call, when prices showed net gains of 12 to 22 points. There also was some purchases by Liverpool, while selling was scattered. Notices on about 2,000 bales were issued.

The early advance carried prices 17 to 30 points net higher, but sagged off under local and Wall Street liquidation.

New York Metals.

New York, Dec. 27.—Copper—Nominal; electrolytic, spot and nearby, 13¾@14c; first quarter, 13½@14c.

Iron—Steady; No. 1 northern, $34.00@35.00; No. 2 northern, $32.00; No. 2 southern, $32.00@33.00.

Tin—Firm; spot and nearby, $32.50@33.00; futures, $34.50.

Antimony—5.37@5.50c.

Lead—Quiet; spot, 4.50@4.75c.

Zinc—Steady; East St. Louis delivery, spot, 6.40@5.75c.

Omaha Hay Market.

Upland Prairie Hay—No. 1, $12.50@14.00; No. 2, $9.50@11.50; No. 3, $7.50@8.50.

Midland Prairie Hay—No. 1, $11.50@12.50; No. 2, $9.00@11.00.

Lowland Prairie Hay—No. 1, $10.00; No. 2, $8.00@9.00; No. 3, $6.00@7.00.

Alfalfa—Choice, $22.00@24.00; No. 1, $19.00@22.50; standard, $16.00@18.50; No. 2, $12.00@14.00; No. 2, $11.00@12.00.

Straw—Oat, $11.00@12.00; wheat, $10.00@11.00.

Dried Fruit.

New York, Dec. 27.—Evaporated Apples—Dull; Californias, 8@10½c; state, 6@12c.

Prunes—Unsettled; Californias, 4@20c; Oregons, 12@16½c; Apricots, dull, choice 17c; extra choice 18c; fancy 24c.

Peaches—Steady; standard 16c; choice 18c; fancy, 19@21c.

Raisins—Steady; loose muscatels, 24@26½c; choice to fancy seeded, 24@25c; seedless, 25@27c.

Chicago Produce.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Butter—Market firm; creamery extras, 54c; standards, 45¾c.

Eggs—Market higher; receipts, 2,259 cases; firsts, 68½@69c; ordinary firsts, 60@64c; at market, cases included, 59@65c; refrigerator firsts, 56@57c; refrigerator extras, 56½@57½c.

Poultry—Alive, higher; fowls, 26@26c; springs, 26c; turkeys, 40c.

Kansas City Produce.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 27.—Eggs—Firsts, 2 cents higher; 60@61c; seconds, 1 cent higher, 56@51c.

Butter—Creamery; unchanged, 52c; packing, 1 cent lower, 13c.

Poultry—Hens, 1 cent higher; 18@23c; roosters, unchanged, 14@19c; springs 12c; turkeys, 40c.

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Chicago Grain

By CHARLES D. MICHAELS.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Holiday dullness featured the grain and provision trade here and abroad. The undertone was easy, nearness of the Argentine shipping season, combined with a decline in ocean rates from 10 to 7s per quarter on grain from Atlantic to United Kingdom parts being the main bearish factor. Light export buying was also a depressing feature. Highest prices were made in the early trading and the lowest in the last half hour, the close being at losses of 1 1-2c to 2 3-4c on distant futures of corn, while December gained 1-4c. Oats lost 3-8c to 5-8c, rye finished 1-2c higher on December and 3-4c lower on May. Barley gained 1-2c on May, provisions were weak and colsed at the bottom with pork 40c, lard 30c, and short ribs 22 1-2c lower than Friday's close.

Limited outside support and fair local pressure was too much for wheat values to hold up and prices receded 2 to 2¼c and closed with ¾ to ⅛c of the low point.

Cash Corn Lower.

The undertone in corn was easy from the start and the weakness in cash corn, which was 2 to 3c lower on some of the off grades combined with local pressure from commission houses and limited support, carried prices down 1½c for December, but it closed at 69¼c, a gain of ⅛c for the day, while distant futures broke over 1c and finished at the low point, with May at 73⅛@73¼c. Country offerings were not large, but cash prices in all markets were lower with receipts at Chicago 399 cars, while the run in the five markets although larger was under last year's. Cash business was only 34,000 bushels for eastern shipment. The visible increase was 242,000 bushels and Chicago stocks 89,000 bushels, the latter being 1,578,000 bushels.

Business in oats was light and prices moved within a range of ⅜c and closed almost at the bottom, with May 48⅜@49c. Cash business was slow with prices closing 1c lower.

December rye was offered sparingly and closed ½c higher at the top of the day. In barley the loss was 26,000 bushels and the trade light.

Pit Notes.

Export sales of wheat at the seaboard Monday were only 100,000 bushels. Winnipeg sold 50,000 bushels No. 2 to Portland, shipment from Fort William by January 10, at equal to 8c over their December. Domestic shipping sales were, wheat 18,000, corn 34,000, oats 46,000, barley 5,000.

Wheat premiums were generally unchanged although the decline in futures depressed prices 2c. Sales of No. 2 dark northern spring at $1.76 and No. 4 dark nothern at $1.69 to 01.55 with No. 5 dark northern at $1.54, or 16c under December, while No. 1 northern brought $1.79 or 8c over December. Winter wheat was scarce with light trading. Minneapolis prices were firm with a good milling demand with durum 2c lower. Soft wheat in Kansas City dropped 1@2c. Omaha lost 3c. St. Louis 2@5c lower.

Cash Corn Lower.

Cash corn prices were generally lower with the extreme loss 3c. Industries and elevator people were the buyers. Peoria declined 1@1½c, Omaha was 1c higher to 1c lower. St. Louis corn, 1@3c lower. Kansas City unchanged to 1½c lower. Cash oats were unchanged to 1c lower at Chicago, steady to ½c lower at St. Louis.

There were export clearances of 2,760,000 bushels wheat and flour for the three days, which hardly exceeded the primary movement. Winnipeg was easier but reported a good cash demand, December dropping near to May.

CHICAGO CLOSING PRICES

By Updike Grain Co., Doug. 2627. Dec. 27.

Ark.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y
Wht.					
Dec.	1.69¼	1.70	1.69	1.69	1.71
Mar.	1.64½	1