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ACADEMY BALL TOSSERS WIN OPENING GAME

The N. F. A. team met Stanley's All Stars Saturday on the Academy campus, and with the aid of several errors and poor pitching of Stanley's team, succeeding in making a score of 19 to 6.

There was much shifting of positions on the part of the All Stars, especially the place of pitcher. Filmore pitched the first 3 innings holding the N. F. A. team down to 2 runs. H. Hull the 4th, and J. Hull, the fifth and sixth and Parker the 7th and 8th. Benjamin, who was walked three times, made one hit and gained first base the fifth time by an error, succeeded in making 4 of the 6 runs. H. Hull, out of 5 times at bat, brought in a run in the third and fifth, making 2 out of the 6 runs.

Keenan, who pitched 9 innings for N. F. A., struck out three men and walked 7 men and was for the most part well supported. Whitney, a new man who was walked twice, made one hit, and was hit by the pitcher, and brought in 4 runs. Hull, Ringland and Keenan were the next best, with 3 runs each. The N. F. A. team batted fairly well until the last three innings when they routed Stanley's team, making 4 runs in the sixth, 8 runs in the seventh, when eleven men went to bat, and 4 runs in the eighth.

The N. F. A. team stole 11 bases, Brassill and Whitney doing the best stealing, two each.

The next game will be with Barnett's Jewett City team, April 26, at Norwich, when it is hoped the Academy nine will keep on with the fine record they have started.

The score:

Academy.	ab	h	po	a	e	Stanley's All Stars.	ab	h	po	a	e
Whitney, lb	3	1	2	2	2	J. Hull, lb, p	4	2	2	2	2
L. Hull, lb	3	3	4	1	1	H. Hull, rf, p	5	1	2	1	1
Ringland, ss	6	3	3	1	0	Benjamin, cf	2	2	1	0	0
Counihan, c	4	1	4	1	1	Crowe, lb	4	3	7	0	0
Finrell, c	1	0	0	0	0	Mulcahy, lf	4	2	3	0	0
Brassill, lb	4	2	10	0	0	Parker, ss	3	1	0	1	1
Meek, lf	3	0	0	0	1	Walden, c	3	1	6	0	1
McNally, lf	1	0	0	0	0	Young, rf	4	1	1	0	0
Clabby, rf	4	3	2	0	0	Filmore, p	3	1	0	2	0
Mulcahy, cf	4	0	1	0	0	Stanley, lb	2	2	2	0	0
Keenan, p	4	3	2	2	0						
	36	15	27	9	5		34	16	24	6	6

Two base hits, Parker, Crowe, Filmore, Keenan, Brassill, Ringland, Hull. Sacrifice hunt, Hull. Stolen bases, H. Hull, (2), Crowe, Mulcahy (3), Parker, Whitney (2), Ringland, Counihan, Brassill (2), McNally, Meek, Clabby, Mulcahy, Keenan. Bases on balls, off Keenan 7 in five innings; off Filmore 3; off H. Hull, 6; off J. Hull 2, off Parker 3. Struck out, by Keenan 9, Filmore 2, H. Hull 6, J. Hull 9, Parker 1.

It's a great misfortune not to have judgment enough to keep silent at the right time.

Crescents Now Champions of New England

AT HOME ON THE THRONE

Before a fair, but comparatively the smallest crowd that ever attended any of the basketball contests staged hereabouts the Crescents of Taftville won the championship of New England from the Milford, Mass., team, holders of the championship for the past four years in Parish hall, at Taftville, Saturday night, by the score of 19 to 18.

The game was a humdinger from start to finish and the fastest display of basketball playing ever staged in this part of the state. The game was a little late in starting owing to three members missing train connections and having to drive all the way from Fall River by automobile. The anxiety of the good sports who attended the game was set at rest when at 9 o'clock the belated players pulled in at the hall ready to don their battling togs. It was after 9.30 before the big game finally got under way, and that it was the greatest exhibition of basketball that the spectators ever set their eyes on was the willing and unanimous verdict of the loyal fans who were willing to pay the price of admission. Knowing the big expense that Manager Benoit had been under in order to stage the contest and to give the fans the kind of an exhibition that they desired, little credit can be given to the Taftville "would be fans," who stayed away because of the price charged for witnessing the great contest.

Getting down to the game the Crescents certainly played rings around the former champions, holding the ball over three-quarters of the play during the first half. The spectacular floor work of the home boys fairly took the visitors off their feet by surprise and before they realized that they were playing a basketball game the first half was over with the Crescents leading by the score of 13 to 6.

Stephanian, Harmon and Belair had the big fellows from Milford chasing them all around the floor, while Daley and Vickery also displayed some clever work that kept their opponents guessing. The superior weight of the Milford quintet, of whom Kenney and the Marks brothers with nearly 200 pounds each to their credit, told on the Taftville boys during the last half of the play and came within an ace of winning the game.

With only fifteen seconds to play and the score 18 to 17 in favor of Milford it loked as if the bacon was going to travel back to Massachusetts. The visitors realizing that victory was theirs if they could keep the ball out of the Crescents' hands, planned on holding the ball until time was called, but Stephanian of the Crescents, thought differently, and with a little clever sidestepping snatched the ball from Marks' hands and with his free hand tossed the ball in the cleanest and most spectacular shot of the evening, clear from the center of the hall, without even touching the ring. It was the feature shot of the evening, also the winning shot, for Stephanian realized that two could play at the holding game and on the toss up again recovered the ball and deliberately tossed it toward the side lines and before play was hardly resumed again time was called and the championship was won. Daley also caged one of his famous left hand shots from the center of the hall and Harmon threw a clever back hand shot from one corner of the court while sitting in another player's lap. Harvey and Allison also pulled off some very pretty goals that won much applause.

There was considerable money that changed hands as the result of the contest. The Milford quinet went home with 300 iron men less than they would have had of they had won and Danielson and Jewett City fans who wanted to see the Crescents trimmed went home with considerable less money than they had when they came.

Great praise is due Manager Benoit for his clever work in securing two such stars as Harmon and Stephanian to fit in so well with his other trio of stars.

The preliminary game between the Bear Cats and the Y. M. C. A. was very exciting t theo fans,an difrom the looks at times all that was needed to make this contest a first class rugby game was signals. The result 25 to 18 in favor of Taftville, however, only went to show that Taftville sure has a mortgage on all the championships that are looking for a caretaker.

Summary of the big game:

Crescents.		Milford.
Belair	Right Forward	Allison
Harmon	Left Forward	Harvey
Vickery	Center	T. Marks
Stephanian	Right Guard	S. Marks
Daley	Left Guard	Kenny

Field goals, Milford—Allison 2, Harvey 3, T. Marks 1, S. Marks 3, total 18.

Taftville—Belair 2, Harmon 1, Stephanian 1, Daley 3.

Foul goals, Taftville, Harmon 5, total 19.

Manager Allison of the Milford team is desirous for a come back and immediately after the game got in touch with Manager Benoit of the Crescents to see if another contest between the two teams could not be staged in Danielson for this coming Saturday.

Joseph Belair, the Crescents' star left forward, has postponed an important business trip to New York next Saturday, in order to be on hand for this second big game that will in all likelihood be staged in Danielson on that day.

BOXERS DEVELOP PRIMA DONNA TEMPERAMENTS AS FINALS NEAR

Paris, April 20.—(By The A. P.) The boxing championships have now reached the survival of the fittest stage, and before General Pershing Marshal Foch and a brilliant gathering of officers from both the French and American staffs the winners of the bouts, on April 26, will be declared the champions of their respective classes in the American army. The semi-finals were concluded Friday night, but Colonel Johnson, athletic director of the American Expeditionary Forces, decided to give the boys the benefit of a full week of training before the final. Here are the boys who will compete:

Bantams—"Babe" Ashir, Detroit, vs. George Shriber, Philadeuphia.

Featherweights—John Fundy, Pittsburgh, vs. Tommy Cherity, Brooklyn.

Lightweights — "Bushy" Graham, Brooklyn, vs. Leo Patterson, Joplin, Mo.

Welterweights—Johnny Summers, Brooklyn, vs. Willia Kleck, New Orleans.

Middleweights—Johnny Clark, New York, vs. William Walters, Philadelphia.

Light Heivyweights—Eugene Tunney, New York, vs. Ted Jamieson, of Milwaukee.

Heavyweights—Fay Kaiser, Pittsburgh, vs. Bob Martin, New York.

The spectators at Friday night's bouts at the Cirquse de Paris were treated to one round of real fighting by Mike O'Dowd, middleweight champion of the world.

Mike had been sparring demurely through three uneventful rounds of his four round exhibition with Jackie Clark when the doughboys and officers present were amazed to see O'Dowd rush out of his corner and batter the bewildered Clark about with terrific punishing blows, while the crowd howled with glee. Clark went staggering back to his corner looking reproachfully at O'Dowd through rapidly closing eyes.

The crowd was ignorant of the fact that between the third and fourth rounds Jimmie Bronson, who was refereeing, walked to O'Dowd's corner and said:

"If you don't inject a little pepper into this round I will raise Clerk's hand and end the bout, and there goes your championship.'

O'Dowd said something to the effect that Bronson would never leave the ring alive if he gave the decision to Clark, but apparently changed his mind, and instead of knocking Bronson down proceeded to knock Clark out of the doughboy's benefit.

Bennie Steinal, of Milwaukee, the official matchmaker of the American Expeditionary Forces, told the correspondent that as the finals approached the boxers are developing prima donna temperaments. They are objecting to the order of their appearance, all wishing to show in the last bout of the evening, with some drawing the color line against Patterson, the only negro left in the finals.

EXHIBITION BASEBALL.

Newark, N. J., April 20.—

Newark International	3	7	0
New York American	6	14	0

Shea, Rommel and McNeil; Mogridge, Schneider, Shore and Ruel.

Washintgon, April 20.—

New York Nationals	5	9	3
Washington Americans	3	10	3

Benton, Jones, Steele and Esmith; Johnson, Craft and Picinich, Gharrity.

Baltimore, Md., April 20.—

Baltimore Internationals	13	11	6
Philadelphia Americans	10	12	3

Newton, Hersheperger and Egan, Carroll; Naylor, Watson and Perkins.

K D's Want Games.

The K D's club of Norwich are out for the championship of the city this season and would like to start their string of victories with either the Academy or All Norwich as opponents. They have collected together some of the fastest men in the state and are confident of a successful season. Duke Murphy and Bill Garvey of the Castle club of New York and Billy Burns, Ray Counihan, Red Shugrue and Theodore Lowenberger make up what we call a fast club. Now it's up to the other teams to arrange a series and see how good they are.

SCALPERS DEFEAT ST. MARY'S INDS. 13-7

The Scalpers Athletic club defeated the St. Mary's second team of Jewett City at Mohegan Park Sunday afternoon by the score of 13-7.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

SATURDAY'S MARKET.

New York, April 19.—The stock market experienced its busiest week end session in many months today. The buoyant movement began at the outset and continued with undiminished activity to the end, a majority of leading issues closing at or within small fractions of their top levels. The advance elevated many specialties to highest prices of the year, and in a few instances maxima for the last two years were established.

Backwardness of rails and metals exerted no unfavorable influence in shippings, equipments, oils, motors and food division.

Features as to strength and activity embraced American International, Atlantic Gulf, and Marine pfd., Harvester, Steel, Foundry and Railway Steel Springs, Studebaker, Stutz and Chandler Motors, Pierce Oil, U. S. Food Products, Hide and Leather pfd., United Cigars, International Paper and Willys-Overland at gains of 2 to 5 1-2 points.

U. S. Steel made a net gain of 1 1-4 points to 99 3-8, practically a point below its highest price of the week. Sales amounted to 700,000 shares.

Last week's heavy actual loan expansion by clearing house banks was replaced by a moderate contraction. An increase of $13,000,000 strengthened excess reserves to a total of slightly more than $56,000,000.

Liberty bonds yielded slightly, and there were minor changes in other domestic issues and internationals. Total sales (par value) aggregated $7,750,000. Old U. S. 2s and 4s gained 1-4 of 1 per cent. on call during the week.

STOCKS.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Close.
1700	Adv Rumely	34½	32¾	32¾
2300	A Rumely pr	70	63¾	70
2800	Ajax Rubber	79	71½	79
200	Alaska Gold M	3¼	3	3¼
1000	Allis Chalmers	58	56	58¾
300	Allis Chal pr	91	85	91
500	Am Agri C	109¾	109¾	109¾
100	Am Agri C pr	100	100	100
100	Am Beet Sugar	77	76½	77
1800	Am Can	31¾	31¼	31¾
1000	Am Car & F	94½	93½	94½
2600	Am Cot Oil	56½	51¾	56¼
1000	Am D Synd	13¾	12¼	12¾
15600	Am H & L	27½	26½	27¼
6400	Am H & L pr	103½	102¾	103½
600	Am Ice	80	79¾	80
700	Am Ice pr	69¾	69¼	69¼
28700	Am Int Cor	89½	83¼	89¾
1800	Am Linseed	51¾	51¼	51¼
200	Am Linseed pr	96	95	96
2000	Am Locomo	89¼	88½	89
200	Am Loco pr	106½	104½	104½
200	Am Malting	17¾	17½	17½
100	A M 1 profit	32	32	32
100	Am Snuff	71½	71½	71½
100	Am Snuff pr	91¾	91¾	91¾
7000	Am Steel Fdy	48	46	46½
400	Am Sugar	129¾	129	129¾
400	Am Sumatra	149	147½	149¼
100	Am Sumatra pr	91	91	91
100	Am Tel & Tel	104¾	104¾	104¾
100	Am T pr new	100¼	100¼	100¼
200	Am Woolen	67¾	66¾	67¾
100	Am Woolen pr	99	98	98
300	Am W P pr	43½	43	43½
300	Am zinc pr	44½	43½	43½
200	Anaconda	41¾	41	41
600	Asso Dry G	43½	42¾	43
900	Atchison	91¾	91	91
3300	Atl G & W I	139¾	138¼	139
6000	Bald Locomo	92¾	90¼	92
1000	Balt & Ohio	46	45¾	46
200	Bal & Ohio pr	51	51	51
700	[illegible] Co	131	131	131
100	[illegible] pr	115	115	115
100	Bergdoll, M	4½	4½	4½
200	Beth St pd	76½	75½	75½
6000	Beth Steel B	78¾	76¾	77
200	Beth Steel 7 pr	97	97	97
200	Beth Steel 8 pr	100½	100½	100½
200	Brooklyn R T	21½	21	21
100	Brooklyn Rp Tr ctfs	21	21	21
500	Brosh Tob	20¼	20	20
500	Burns Bros	104½	104	104½
200	Butte Cop & A	7½	7½	7½
200	Butte & Sup	21¾	21¾	21¾
200	Cal Packing	61¼	60¾	61
400	Cal Petrol	27½	26¾	27¼
100	Cal Petrol pr	71	71	71
100	Calumet & A	39½	39½	39½
600	Can Pacific	139	139	139
4300	Cent Leather	79½	78¾	79
200	Cerro De Pas	42¼	41¾	41¾
500	Chand Motor	147	145½	147
150	C M & St P pr	66½	66½	66½
100	Chic & N west	91	90	91
3000	C R I & P	27½	27	27
300	C R I & P pr 6	64¼	64	64
300	C R I & P pr 7	75	74¼	74¾
1900	Chile Cop	23½	22¾	23¼
400	Chino Cop C	36¼	36	36
100	Chlett Pb pr	104½	104½	104½
200	Col F & I	43¾	43	43¾
400	Col Gas Electric	46¾	46½	46½
300	Cont Can	77½	77½	77½
100	Cont Can pr	109¾	109¾	109¾
200	Cont Ins Co	117¾	117¾	117¾
6700	Corn Prod	61¼	61	61¼
3000	Crucible Steel	67¾	67¼	67¾
1400	Cuba Cane Sugar	29¾	29½	29¾
200	Cuba C S pr	75	75¼	75
100	Del & H G pr	65	65	65
300	Denn Mines	14	14	14
200	Erie	16	15¾	16
100	Erie 1st pr	16¾	16¾	16¾
300	Fed M & S pr	99	98	99
100	Fisher Body	63½	63	63½
2200	Gaston Wms	36¼	35½	35¾
300	Gen Cigar	59	58	58½
4000	Gen Motor	180¾	175¾	180¼
100	Gen Motor pr	92¾	92¾	92¾
1500	Gen Motor 6 pr db	92¾	92¾	92¾
200	Goodrich B F	67¾	67	67¾
1700	Gt North pr	90¼	89¾	90
900	Gt N Ore Subs	43¾	43	43¾
600	Greene C Cop	42	41¾	42
100	Gulf S Steel	52¾	52¾	52¾
100	Gulf S Steel	52¾	52¾	52¾
1200	Haskel Bark	53	52¾	53¾
100	Int Agri pr	75	74¾	74¾
300	Ins Copper	49¾	49	49¾
500	Interb Con	3¾	3¾	3¾
100	Interb Con pr	13	13	13
3500	Int Har Co	152	150¾	150½
23600	Int Mer Mar	31¾	30¾	31¾
30500	In M Mar pr	118¾	116¾	117¾
2400	Int Paper	45	43½	43¾
100	Int P pr stpd	73¾	73¾	73¾
7300	Int Nickel	29	28½	29
1500	Jewel Tea	58½	57¾	58½
200	Jewel Tea pr	82	82	82
500	Kan City So	21	20¾	21
1000	Kelly S Tire	12¾	12	12
100	Kelsey W Air	12	12	12
800	Kennecott	32¼	32	32¼
1600	Keystone T	92¾	91	91½
400	Lack Steel	74¾	70½	70½
200	Lehigh Val	57¾	56¾	56¾
2200	Loose Wiles	54¾	53¾	54¼
100	Manhat El	26	26	26
5100	Max M Co	41¾	39	40¾
500	Max M 1 pr	68	67	68
400	Max M 2 pr	32¾	31¾	31¾
400	May Dept	85	84¼	85
1900	Mex Petrol	187¾	186	187¾
100	Miami Cop	23¾	23¾	23¾
2500	Midvale Steel	46¾	46¼	46¾
100	M S & T	6	6	6
1600	Mo Pacific	23	22¾	23¼
200	Nat Biscuit	125	124¾	124¾
100	Nat Con & C	18	17¾	17¾
100	Nat Enam & S	59¾	58¼	59¾
300	Nat Lead	72	71¾	72
100	Nat Lead pr	109¾	109¾	109¾
500	Nev Con Cop	16¾	16¾	16¾
200	N O T & M	30	29	30
100	N Y Central	73½	73½	73½
100	N Y C & St L	25	25	25
100	N Y C & S 2 pr	42¾	42¾	42¾
100	Norf & West	104	104	104
800	Nor Pacific	94	93½	93½
200	Nor & W pr	71¾	71	71¼
8600	Ohio City G	43¾	43¼	43¾
12000	Okla P & R	11	10¾	11
200	Ontario Silver	7½	7½	7½
100	Owen B M	56	56	56
400	Pacific Mail	36¾	35¾	35¾
2800	Pan Am Pet	85	83¾	84
2400	Penn R R	41	40¾	40¾
14100	Phila Co	37¾	37½	37¾
2700	Pierce Arrow	51¾	50½	51¾
57100	Pierce Oil	26	25¾	26
200	Pitts Coal	49¾	49¾	50
100	Pitts S W Va	36	35½	36
500	Press Steel Car	72¼	71¾	72
300	Press S C pr	100½	100	100
200	Pull Pal Car	155½	155½	155½
300	Pullman	120¾	120	120
3400	Ry Steel Sp	84¼	82	84¼
100	Rep Iron Sp	39½	39½	39½
3300	Reading	89	87¾	87
200	Reading 1 pr	37¼	37¼	37¼
1800	Rep I & Steel	82¾	81¾	82¼
100	Rep I & S pr	102¾	102¾	102¾
800	Royal Dutch	83	82	82¾
1700	Ry Sec N Y	36¾	36¼	36½
500	St L & S F	12¾	12¾	12¾
100	Saxon M Co	18	18	18
400	Seaboard	18¾	18½	18½
11700	Sinclair Oil	55¾	55	55¼
200	Sloss Sh S & I	84	84	84
6200	South Pacific	106	105¾	105¾
1000	Southern Ry	27¾	27½	27¾
200	South Ry pr	69	67½	68
200	Stand Milk pr	92	91½	91½
200	Stern Cop	49½	49	49
17500	Studebaker	54¾	69½	71¾
100	Stutz Motor	48	48	48
100	Superior Steel	39	39	39
1200	Tenn Copper	14½	14	14½
100	Tex & Pac	52½	52½	52½
1900	Texas Co	221	219½	220½
100	Third Ave	34	34	34
100	Tidewater Oil	215	215	215
1000	Tobacco Pds	92	90	91¼
100	Un Bag & Pa	80	80	80
1200	Union Pacific	138½	138¼	138¼
200	Union Pac pr	73	73	73
500	Val Alloy Steel	46¾	46	46¾
7300	U Cig Stores	13¾	13½	13¾
200	United Drug	130	130	130
200	United Fruit	174	174	174
26400	U S Food Pro	78¼	74	78¾
2600	U S Ind Alco	153¾	151¼	153¼
100	U S Steel 8 pr	132	132	132
800	U S Rubber	88	87¼	88
400	U S Rub 1 pr	111¾	111¾	111¾
27100	U S Steel	99¾	98¾	99¾
100	U S Steel pr	116¾	116½	116½
300	Utah Copper	75	74¾	75
1000	Va I & Chem	61½	61¼	61¼
100	Va C Ch pr	112	112	112
100	Wabash	7¾	7¾	7¾
600	West Merc	9¾	9¾	9¾
100	West Un Tel	86½	86½	86½
2700	Westinghouse	49¾	48¾	49
200	White Motor	57	56	57
28200	Willys Over	31¾	29¾	31¼
100	Willys Ov pr	93	93	93
200	Wilson Cop	30¼	30¼	30¼

Total sales 695,500 shares.

MONEY.

New York, April 19.—Mercantile paper 5 1-4@5 1-2; sterling 60 day bills 4.62, commercial 60 day bills on banks 4.61 3-4, commercial 60 day bills 4.62 1-2, demand 4.64 1-2, cables 4.65 3-4; francs, demand 6.01 1-2, cables 6.00; guilders, demand 40 1-4, cables 40 3-8; lire, demand 7.42, cables 7.41; Mexican dollars 77 1-2; government bonds easy; railroad bonds steady.

THE LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Chicago, April 18.—Hogs: Estimated receipts, 23,000 head. Market weak, 10c lower. Bulk, $20.25@20.55; top, $20.65; butcher hogs, heavy, $20.45@$20.65; heavy, $20.25@20.55; medium and mixed, $19.35@19.90; light, $19.75@$20.45; pigs, $17.25@18.75; roughs, $18.50@19.25.

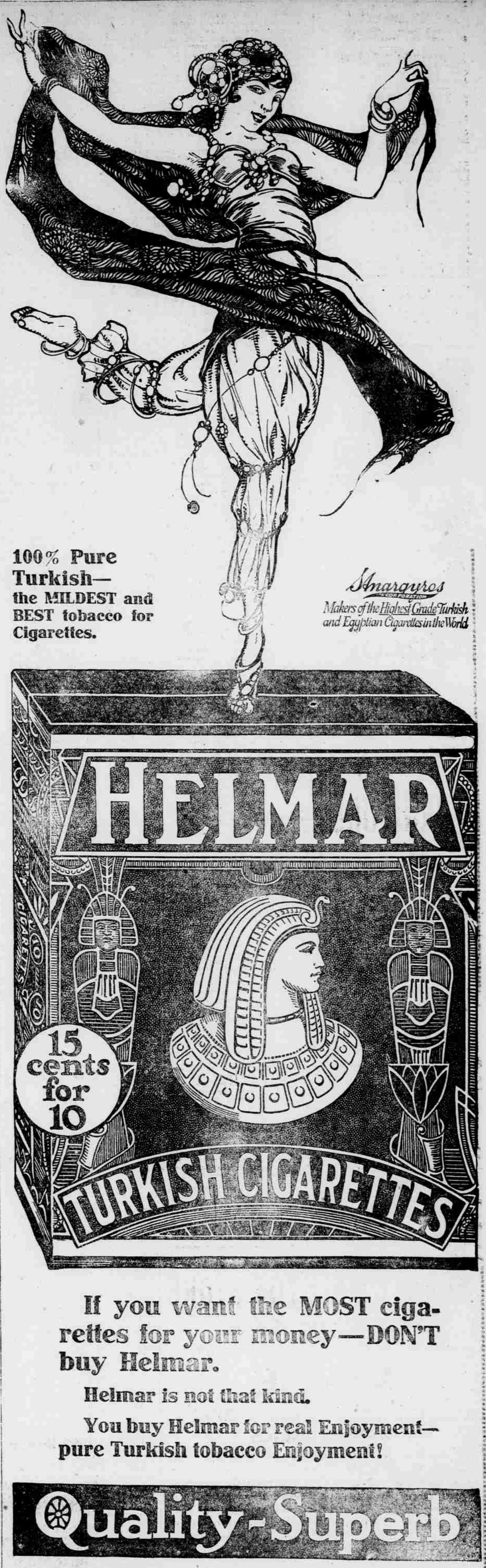
Cattle—Estimated receipts 2,500 head. Market strong. Beef cattle, good choice, $17.90@20.55; medium and common, $11.75@14.50; butcher stock, heifers $8.00@15.75; cows, $6.15@7.85; canners and cutters, $7.25@7.40; stockers and feeders, good choice $10.50@15.75; medium, $8.50@13.75. Veal calves, good choice, $14.00@16.

Sheep.—Estimated receipts, 7,000 head. Market 25c higher. Shorn lambs, choice and prime, $18.25@20.10; medium and good, $18.00@20.00; feeder lambs, ogod choice, $15.75@17; ewes, choice, prime, $12.00@15.50; medium and good, $6.00@12.00.

Pittsburgh, April 18—Cattle, supply light, receipts 1,500 head. Market steady. Choice $17@17.50, prime $17@17.50, good $16@17, tidy butchers $15@15.55, fair $13.25@14.50, common $13.25@14.50, common to goot fat bulls $12@14, common to good fat cows $7@13.50, heifers $12.50@14.50, fresh cows and springers $60@145, veal calves $17.50.

Sheep and lambs—Supply 300 head. Market steady, prime wethers $13, good mixed $9@10.50, culls and common $4@8, lambs $16.50.

Hogs—Receipts 1,500 head. Market steady. Prime heavy hogs $20.75@20.85, mediums $20.75@20.85, heavy yorkers $20.75@20.85, light yorkers $19.75@20.25, pigs $19.75@20, roughs $12.50@18.25, stags $12.50@18.25.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close
CORN:				
May	1.60	1.60½	1.59¾	1.60¼
July	1.58¾	1.59½	1.58¾	1.59½
Sept	1.58	1.58¾	1.57¾	1.58½
OATS:				
May	69¾	70¼	69¾	70¼
July	67¾	68½	67¾	68¼
Sept	64	64¾	64	64¾