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SHORTS RUN TO COVER

A Few September Shorts Anxious to Buy Cause Rise in Wheat

CORN WAS QUIET AND STRONGER

General Rains Throughout the West and Northwest Helped Prices Early—Oats Were Dull With Prices About Steady—Hogs Slow at 5 to 10 Cents Lower—Cattle Steady.

Chicago, Sept. 30.—Wheat was influenced today largely by the action of the September option and trading the first half hour developed the fact that there were still some shorts who were anxious to cover. Cables were weak, but the weather, present and prospective, helped prices. September opened 1/2 to 3/4 of a cent higher at 88 1/2 and sold up to 90 within a few minutes after the opening. Reaction to 88 followed. December was offered freely and after the opening, unchanged at 68 1/2, sold to 88 1/2. Receipts were 347 cars, eighty-three of contract.

Toward the noon hour there was a sudden rise in September and prices advanced by leaps until 95 was reached, the west and southwest. Reports from Iowa claimed the crop was quite severely damaged by too much dampness. December opened unchanged at 30 1/2. Provisions opened easier all around under the lead of January pork, which was offered quite freely. Trading was fair, with brokers the best buyers.

Chicago Grain. Wheat—No. 2 red, 88 1/2; No. 3 red, 86 1/2; No. 2 hard, 87; No. 3 hard, 85 1/2; September, 87; December, 68 1/2; closing at 68 1/2; lowest, 65 1/2; highest, 68 1/2; lowest, 65 1/2; closing at 68 1/2.

THE DAY BEFORE (for Comparison). Wheat—No. 2 red, 85 1/2; No. 3 red, 83 1/2; No. 2 hard, 82; No. 3 hard, 80 1/2; September, 82; December, 66 1/2; closing at 66 1/2; lowest, 63 1/2; highest, 66 1/2; lowest, 63 1/2; closing at 66 1/2.

Table with columns: Wheat, Sept. 30, Dec. 30, Corn, Sept. 30, Dec. 30, Oats, Sept. 30, Dec. 30, Rye, Sept. 30, Dec. 30, Barley, Sept. 30, Dec. 30, Flax, Sept. 30, Dec. 30, Clover, Sept. 30, Dec. 30, Butter-Firm, creameries, 16 1/2; dairies, 15 1/2; Eggs—Steady, 20 1/2; Poultry—Steady; turkeys, 13 1/2; chickens, 11 1/2.

Chicago Produce. Pork—September, 16 1/2; January, 15 1/2. Lard—September, 11 60; January, 8 55. Ribs—September, 11 00; January, 8 05. Rye—40. Barley—28 60. Flax—1 55 1/2. Timothy—October, 3 60. Clover—October, 5 60. Butter—Firm; creameries, 16 1/2; dairies, 15 1/2. Eggs—Steady, 20 1/2. Poultry—Steady; turkeys, 13 1/2; chickens, 11 1/2.

THE LIVESTOCK REVIEW. Cattle Arrivals Mostly Rangers and Texans—Prices Barely Steady. Chicago, Sept. 30.—About half of the 10,000 arrivals consisted of western rangers and Texans, natives being mostly rather ordinary in quality. The trade was not characterized by much animation and prices were barely steady. Choice is scarcer this week than ever.

A REBOUND IN STOCKS

Shaws Prompt Action and Other Developments Restored the Financial Equilibrium

THE SHORTS BOUGHT HEAVILY

Buyers at Yesterday's Low Prices Begun to Sell and a Decline Followed—Secretary Shaw in New York to Look Over the Financial Situation in Wall Street.

New York, Sept. 30.—Prices on the stock exchange opened with a violent rebound from yesterday's demoralized closing. Developments over night, including the measures proposed by Secretary Shaw by releasing large credits to markets, served to completely reassure sentiment over the money outlook. The opening gains over last night's prices were from a fraction up to five points. Sales of 1,000 to 3,000 shares were made simultaneously, prices varying as much as four points in the case of the Missouri Pacific, which made the maximum gain of 5 1/2 points. It was evident urgent buying by distressed shorts played an important part in the buoyant uprush, as three was a prompt relapse. Buyers in yesterday's slump hastened to take profits at the expense of shorts. Prices ran off from 1 to 1 1/2 for important stocks. Fluctuations were wild and trading very excited. Loans on call at 15 to 18 per cent helped the panic proof and the market steadied and became quiet by 11 o'clock at prices above the lowest. Subsequently the decline was much more orderly.

Shaw in New York. New York, Sept. 30.—Secretary Shaw was an early visitor at the sub-treasury today. He came to the financial district for the purpose of discussing the situation with the bankers and experts to remain down town the great part of the day. He expressed himself as being much gratified at the improvement shown by the monetary outlook.

THE HORSE MARKET. Chicago, Sept. 30.—Trade at the Dexter Park horse market opened in good tone yesterday, with a liberal run of medium to pretty good quality horses. Liberal buying orders developed from different points, and on the more attractive offerings bidding was rather spirited. Official receipts last week were 1,761, against 1,324 the previous week and 2,023 the corresponding week a year ago.

NEW YORK PRODUCE. Wheat—December, 73 1/2. Corn—Firm; dairy, 17 1/2; creamery, common to choice, 17 1/2 to 22; extra, 22 1/2. Eggs—Steady; candled, 21 1/2; refrigerated, 19 1/2. Poultry—Alive, steady; dressed, quiet; chickens, 12 1/2; turkeys, 13 1/2.

ST. LOUIS GRAIN. Wheat—Cash, 65 1/2; December, 66. Corn—Cash, 53 1/2; December, 33 1/2. Oats—Cash, 28 1/2; December, 27 1/2.

MINNEAPOLIS. Wheat—September, 64 1/2; December, 65 1/2. Corn—Cash, 53 1/2; December, 33 1/2. Oats—Cash, 28 1/2; December, 27 1/2.

MONEY MARKET. New York, Sept. 30.—Money was at 15 1/2 per cent; prime mercantile, 6 per cent; sterling was firm at 4 5/8 to 5 1/8; for demand and 4 3/4 to 4 5/8 for sixty days.

A VERY GOLD, WET WEEK

Weather Was Unfavorable to All Immature Crops and Work Retarded

FORTY PER CENT OF CORN SOFT

There is Imperative Need of Warm Weather for Entire Corn Crop—Soft Corn Will Have Considerable Feeding Value—Situation Critical for Advanced Portion.

Des Moines, Sept. 30.—The regular weekly weather and crop report bulletin was issued today as follows: The past week has been abnormally cold and cloudy, with excessive rainfall in the larger part of the state. Plowing, seeding and corn-cutting have been interrupted. The wet weather and cloudiness were unfavorable for all immature or unharvested crops, and the quality of corn fodder has been still further impaired. Special reports received from a large number of crop reporters, producers and business men, seem to indicate that from 40 to 50 per cent of the extra heavy corn crop will at best be below the marketable standard in condition, tho it may all possess considerable feeding value for stock if it can be harvested and secured from further detriment by wet weather and sudden freezing. For the entire crop there is imperative need of a period of normal dry weather. The situation is still somewhat critical, even for the more advanced portion of the crop, and its commercial value will depend upon future weather conditions.

NATIONAL CROP SUMMARY. Review of Conditions Prevailing in Agricultural States. Washington, Sept. 30.—The weather bureau's weekly summary of crop conditions follows: As a whole the week was very wet in the districts west of the Rocky mountains, with temperatures generally above normal, except over the middle Rocky mountain slope, where it was moderately cold. While excessive rains interrupted farm work and delayed maturing of late crops, they proved favorable for germination of fall-sown grain and placed the soil in fine condition for plowing and seeding. No damage resulted from the frosts, which are confined to the central and northern Rocky mountain districts and the extreme North Pacific coast regions. General conditions on the Pacific coast are favorable. The weather has been very unfavorable for maturing of late corn in the central valleys and lake region, especially over the northern portion of the districts and reports indicate that corn in the shock has been considerably damaged by dampness and mould over a widespread area, and that much of the crop in the upper lake region and Missouri valley will not be marketable. But little if any change in the apple situation is indicated, the crop being light in the middle Atlantic states and Ohio valley, with more favorable conditions in the upper lake region and Missouri valley, fine yields of good quality being gathered in some states. While plowing for fall seeding is much behind in portions of the Missouri valley, this work has made good progress elsewhere.

CONFESSES KOELLING MURDER. Missouri Convicts Implicate Others in Deal of Cash. St. Louis, Sept. 30.—Thru the confession of Hugo Neill and Walter McNamara, serving seven-year sentences in the penitentiary at Jefferson City, Postoffice Inspector Dice late yesterday afternoon caused the arrest of five persons in St. Louis on the charge of having committed the Koelling murder here, without causing the arrest of the murderer. A pouch containing registered mail valued at \$3,000 on the night of Dec. 17, 1901.

MRS. NATION TO VALE STUDENTS. Has a Strenuous Hour With Plenty of Comedy to Enliven. New Haven, Conn., Sept. 30.—Mrs. Carrie Nation succeeded yesterday in doing what William Jennings Bryan failed to do in 1896, when he tried to make Yale students hear him to the end of his speech, but she said it was as strenuous as Kansas.

LEAD COMPANIES COMBINE. A Trust Forming With a Capital of \$50,000,000. New York, Sept. 30.—Negotiations have been concluded by which the National Lead company will acquire by purchase a large number of kindred concerns. The American Smelting and Refining company and important financial interests will be associated with an enlarged company. It is understood that the Union Lead and Oil company, which is controlled by Ryan-Whitney interests and the lead properties of the Guggenheims and the American Smelting and Refining company and others will be among the constituent concerns of the combine. Here are some of them: Union Lead and Oil company, Boston; Chadwick Lead company, Tatham Bros. & Co., New York and Philadelphia; Raymond Lead company, Chicago; American Shot and Lead company, with branches thruout the United States; Hoyt Metal company, St. Louis; Marik Lead company, St. Louis; Cahn Bros., New York; Gibson Price Lead company, Baltimore; Sparks Shot and Metal company, Philadelphia. The combination is also expected to include the White Lead company, Buffalo; Sterling White Lead company, Pittsburgh; Mathieson Lead company, Brooklyn; Eagle Lead company, Cincinnati; Gebhardt Lead company, Dayton, O.; and a dozen or more other concerns, including sheet lead and shot lead manufacturers.

Will Start Socialist Colony. Special to Times-Republican. Waterloo, Sept. 30.—Rev. A. A. Tanager leaves in a few days for his new home in Ohio, where he will begin the organization of a socialist colony after original plans. He resigned his Congregational church pastorate here some weeks ago to pursue this course.

A REAL SEA MONSTER SEEN AT LAKE GENEVA

Geneva Lake, Wis., Sept. 30.—A sea serpent has been seen in Geneva lake. Its appearance is vouched for by a number of witnesses.

About 6 o'clock in the evening, as Mrs. Buckingham, of Sharon, who occupies a cottage with her son, John Buckingham, captain of the steamer Geneva was sitting on her porch, her attention was attracted by a disturbance in the lake a few rods from shore. Closer observation revealed a long, slender, undulating motion thru the water. It splashed the water and sent great waves in all directions. Mrs. Buckingham called her neighbor, Mrs. Dorliaska Reid, of Delavan, to the spot. The latter's two children also called and a boy about 15 years old, named Carl Henderson. The snake appeared to them to be as long as the steamer Aurora (84 feet long), which was moored a short distance away. The boys resolved to get a closer view of the strange creature and pulled out in a rowboat. As they drew near the reptile gave a splash and disappeared. The boys thought he must be at least sixty-five feet long and his body ten inches thru at the thickest part.

NO SECESSION. The Australian Commonwealth Not Prepared to Go to Pieces Easily. London, Sept. 30.—Altho ominous reports have for some time past been received from Queensland, and Premier Robert Philip is now openly advocating the secession of that state from the federal union, the constitution can not be unmade with the ease that the premier of Queensland imagines. The commonwealth constitution act does not make provision for secession and approval would be required of the nation short of an act of repeal or civil war. Premier Philip seems to anticipate that he will receive the support of the people of New South Wales and Victoria, and he is accordingly supplied with present conditions, but the extreme measure is not likely to be taken. Still, this unrest is having a very prejudicial effect on the business in the commonwealth and nearly every Australian government loan has suffered in value during the last fortnight. The trouble arose out of the fact that Queensland has been hard hit by federal legislation on the colored labor question which practically will annihilate the sugar industry, which hundreds of thousands of pounds of British capital has been invested.

CHARLES G. DAWES REPLIES TO ECKLES REPLY. Charles G. Dawes, president of the Central Trust company of Illinois and former comptroller of the currency, made what bankers here declared one of the ablest speeches ever heard at a state meeting. Mr. Dawes took up on the demand for the demand for New England points, which, tho particularly urgent, is steady and fairly active.

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