Latest Market Reports

Chicago Grain and Provisions

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Articles—	Opening	Highest	Lowest	Closing
Wheat—				
Dec	1.67	1.67	1.64½	1.64⅝
May	1.77⅝@¼	1.78¼	1.74⅝	1.75¼@⅛
July	1.50@49⅝	1.50⅝	1.47⅝	1.48@¼
Corn—				
Dec	92⅛@92	92½	90⅛	90⅜@½
May	93⅜@⅝	93⅞	92	92¼@⅛
July	93½@¾	93½	91⅞	91⅞
Oats—				
Dec	52⅞	52⅞	51⅜	51⅜
May	57⅛@56⅞	57⅛	55⅝	55⅞
July	54⅛@¼	54¼	52⅞	53⅛
Mess Pork, per bbl.—				
May	26.40	26.40	26.10	26.15
Jan	27.15	27.15	26.65	26.65
Lard, per 100 lbs.—				
May	16.25	16.27	15.70	15.70
Jan	16.27@25	16.32	15.70	15.70
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—				
May	14.32	14.35	14.12	14.17
Jan	14.05	14.10	13.80	13.80

Stock Market

New York, Dec. 11.—Moderate pressure sufficed to wipe out many of the early gains in today's stock market, steel recording an extreme decline of over a point with similar reversals in leading metals, equipments and the less prominent utilities and specialties. Rails were slightly more active, but mainly at impaired quotations. Trading proceeded with much caution and consequent curtailment of operations, the turnover of the first two hours being relatively light. Prices hardened irregularly before noon, Steel, Central Leather and Ohio Gas leading the hesitant rally. New minimums for Anglo-French 5's and Paris 6's featured the bond market.

New York, Dec. 11.—Prices were generally higher at today's opening, last Saturday's bank statement and the United States Steel tonnage figures for November acting as speculative stimulants. Steel rose a substantial fraction with gains of 1 to 2 points in American Smelting, Anaconda Copper, United States Rubber, International Paper and Beet Sugar. Ajax Rubber rose over 3 points to the new record of 88 and Central Leather was in steady demand, gaining over 2 points. The new shares of Mercantile Marine were freely traded in with a 3 point advance in Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies. Rails moved narrowly and international bonds were heavy.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

	—Last sale
Allis-Chalmers	32⅝
American Beet Sugar	103½
American Can	59⅝
American Car & Foundry	75
American Locomotive	90⅛
American Smelting & Refining	113⅝
American Sugar Refining	114⅝
American Tel. & Tel ex rights	126
American Zinc	56⅛
Anaconda Copper	94
Atchison	104
Baldwin Locomotive	78⅛
Baltimore & Ohio	85⅝
Bethlehem Steel	626
Butte and Superior	69
California Petroleum	26⅛
Canadian Pacific	165⅛
Central Leather	110⅜
Chesapeake & Ohio	66⅝
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	92
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry	37⅝
Chino Copper	66⅝
Colorado Fuel & Iron	54½
Corn Products	26½
Crucible Steel	83
Cuba Can Sugar	64⅝
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	44⅝
Erie	36⅝
General Electric	178½
Goodrich Co	68⅛
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	41½
Great Northern pfd	116⅝
Illinois Central	106½
Inspiration Copper	47
Inter. Harvester, N. J	121B
Int. Mer. Marine pfd. ctfs	115⅞
Inter. Nickel	46⅞
Inter. Paper	63¼
Kansas City Southern	26½
Kennecott Copper	55
Lackawanna Steel	108¼
Lehigh Valley	80⅜
Louisville & Nashville	131½
Maxwell Motor Co. ex div	70⅝
Mexican Petroleum	107
Miami Copper	45½
National Lead	66
New York Central	106½
N. Y. N. H. & Hartford	55⅝
Norfolk & Western	137¼
Northern Pacific	110½
Pennsylvania	56⅝
Pressed Steel Car	81⅝
Ray Consolidated Copper	31⅜
Reading	108½
Republic Iron & Steel	85⅞
Southern Pacific	98⅝
Southern Railway	29⅞
Studebaker Co	120⅝
Texas Co	200¼
Tennessee Copper	24⅜
Union Pacific	144⅝
U. S. Industrial Alcohol	136
United States Rubber	68⅞
United States Steel	123⅝
United States Steel pfd	121⅝
Utah Copper	120⅜
Wabash pfd B	31½
Western Union	101½
Westinghouse Electric	59⅝
Columbia Gas & Electric	48⅝
Mo. Pac. (when issued)	34⅝

New York Produce.

New York, Dec. 11.—Butter—Market firmer; receipts, 4,497; creamery extras 38c; firsts, 36@37½c; seconds, 24½@25½c.

Eggs—Firmer; receipts, 4,111; fresh gathered extra firsts, 46@47c; firsts, 43@45c; refrigerator special marks fancy 33½c; refrigerator seconds to firsts, 31½@33c.

Cheese—Steady; receipts, 3,823; state held specials, 24¾@25c; do average fancy, 24@24½c.

Live poultry—Firm; no prices settled; dressed, quiet; chickens, 15@29c; fowls, 13@21c; turkeys, 18@28c.

Chicago Produce.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Butter—Market firm; creamery, 31@37c.

Eggs—Market steady; receipts, 1,430 cases; firsts, 37c; ordinary firsts, 35@36c; at mark, cases included, 32@37c.

Potatoes—Market steady; receipts, 45 cars; Wisconsin, $1.50@1.60; Michigan, $1.55@1.62; Minnesota and Dakota white, $1.55@1.60; Minnesota and Dakota Ohios, $1.50@1.55.

Poultry—Alive, higher; fowls, 16½c; springs, 17½c; turkeys, 20c.

St. Louis Produce.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 11.—Poultry—Hens, 12½@14c; springs, 14½c; turkeys, 23c; ducks, 13½c.

Geese—13c.

Butter—Creamery, 38c.

Eggs—36c.

New York Sugar.

New York, Dec. 11.—Raw sugar—Easy; centrifugal, 5.63c; molasses, 4.76. Refined—Dull.

Grain Review

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Notwithstanding that bullish foreign advices tended at first today to lift the wheat market, a material decline soon took place. News indicating scarcity of supplies in Great Britain and elsewhere in Europe was not accompanied by signs of a better export demand. On the contrary, the trade was uncertain what would be done with wheat already purchased from Greece and it was pointed out that Anglo-French securities had fallen to a new low record in value. Opening prices which ranged from ⅛ to 1⅛c advance, with December at $1.77¼ to $1.77⅜, were followed by a setback to well below Saturday's finish, but then by something of a rally.

Hints that shipments of wheat to Belgium might be curtailed or stopped led afterward to a new down swing. Withdrawal of trans-Atlantic insurance rates counted also against the bulls, but the market rallied as a result of a big decrease in the United States visible supply total. The close nevertheless was heavy ⅝ to 2½c lower with May at $1.75 to $1.75⅛ and July at $1.47⅞ to $1.48.

Strength of Liverpool quotations helped corn more than wheat. It was said a largely increased European demand for corn had resulted from the scarcity and dearness of other grain. After opening ⅛ to ¾c higher, the market held most of the upturn.

Subsequently notice of a railway embargo on corn shipments to Baltimore brought about a sharp fall in prices. The close was weak ⅞ to 1c to 1⅜ to 1½c decline.

Oats trade was small. Lack of call from the seaboard gave an advantage to the bears.

Provisions hardened owing to reports that purchases for Belgium were likely. The best inquiry was for lard.

Kansas City Cash Grain.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 11.—The cash grain market follows:

Wheat—No. 2 hard, $1.72@1.79; No. 2 red, $1.74@1.78.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, 90c; No. 2 white, 91c; No. 2 yellow, 91c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 56@56½c; No. 2 mixed, 54@55c.

Rye $1.42@1.44.

Hay—Firm; choice timothy, $14@15; choice prairie, $12; choice alfalfa, $20@20.50.

St. Louis Cash Grain.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 11.—The cash grain market follows:

Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.80@1.82; No. 2 hard, $1.79@1.84½; No. 3 hard, $1.75@1.81; No. 4 hard, $1.53@1.64.

Corn—No. 2, 92c; No. 2 white, 93@93½c; No. 2 yellow, 94c; No. 4 white 89@90c; No. 3, 90½c; No. 3 yellow, 91c; No. 4 89½@90c.

Oats—No. 2, 55@55½c; No. 3, 54½c; No. 3 white, 55½@56c; No. 4 white, 55c; standard, 56@58½c.

Chicago Cash Grain.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—The cash grain market follows:

Wheat—No. 2 red nominal; No. 2 hard, $1.79; No. 3 red, $1.65@1.73; No. 3 hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 94c; No. 4 white, 90½@93c; No. 4 yellow, 91c.

Oats—No. 3 white 53½@54½c; standard, 54@54¾c.

Rye—No. 2, $1.43½.

Barley—90@$1.23.

Timothy—$8.25@5.50.

Clover—$12@17.

Pork—$28.50.

Lard—$16.17.

Ribs—$13.30@13.80.

Kansas City Produce.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 11.—Butter—Creamery, 39½c; firsts, 37½c; seconds, 35½c; packing, 26½c.

Eggs—Firsts, 40c.

Poultry—Hens, 15c; roosters, 12c; turkeys, 22c.

Peoria Cash Grain.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 11.—The cash grain market follows:

Corn—Market ½ to 1½c lower; No. 3 white, 91c; No. 4 white, 90c; No. 3 yellow, 91@91½c; No. 4 yellow, 89½@90½c; No. 2 mixed, 91½c; No. 3 mixed, 90½@91c.

Oats—Steady; standard, 52¾c.

St. Louis Hay Market.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 11.—Hay—Total inspections for the day showed 46 cars of which 32 were timothy, 9 clover mixed, 1 prairie, 1 alfalfa and 3 clover. The hay market in general remains in a strong position. Current limited arrivals of all grades of timothy and clover mixed meet a ready demand at their respective full value, and the better qualities of each grade are held, as a rule, at new high levels; prices during past week averaging about 50c to $1 per ton better than during previous week. Prairie is scarce and firm, though inquiry therefor less urgent than for any other description. Clover and alfalfa strong and buoyant; urgent requirements are not being supplied with extremely light receipts. Sales: Clover-mixed, 1 car No. 1 light mixed at $15.50 east side switched, 1 car choice light mixed at $16. Timothy, 2 cars common threshed at $9, 1 car No. 3 at $13 delivered, 1 car No. 3 at $13.50, 2 cars and part car common No. 2 (more or less stained) at $14 one switched, 3 cars No. 2 at $14.50 two switched, 4 cars No. 2 at $15 two del to this side. 1 No. 2 $15.50, 1 car ordinary No. 1 at $16, 1 car No. 1 at $17—high. No. 1 to choice quotable at $17.50@18; prairie, part car slough grass at $5, 1 car good No. 2 at $14, 1 car No. 1 at $15; clover, 1 car good No. 1 at $18.50 east side—recent sales No. 2 at $15 to $16.50 and No. 1 at $17.50. Alfalfa salable at $15 to $17 for No. 3 at $17.50 to $20.50 for No. 2 and $21 to $23 for No. 1 to choice.

Straw—Quote wheat and oats at $7.50 track to $8 switched; some urgent inquiry noted today at $8 switched—four cars wheat selling at that.

LOCAL MARKETS REMAIN STEADY

There were no changes in the local markets today. The list follows:

Hogs—(Furnished daily by John Morrell & Co.)—120@150, $7.65; 150@180, $8.70; 180@200, $9.00; 200 and over, $9.20; packers, $8.45@8.85.

Sheep—Choice spring lambs, $7@3; fair to good spring lambs, $6@6.50; yearling lambs, $6@7; choice ewes, $4@6; fair to good ewes, $3@4.

Ottumwa Hay Market.

Good timothy, $9@10; No. 2 timothy and No. 1 light clover mixed, $8@9; No. 3 timothy and No. 2 mixed, $6@9; clover hay, $7@10.

Corn—75@80c; rye, $1.15@1.25; oats, 47@50c; wheat, $1.40@1.60.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

Butter fat—No. 1, 37c; No. 2, 34c.

Poultry—(These prices paid to producers, straight run hens, 13c; old roosters, 8c; ducks, 11c; geese, 7c; spring chickens, 14@15c; old toms, 18c; No. 1 turkeys, 20c; No. 2, 15c.

Eggs—Fresh country, 37c.

Wool and Hides.

Wool—Clear bright medium, 31@32c; chaffy and slightly burry, 24@26c; semi burry, 24@26c; hard burry, 17@18c; line staple, 13@18c; angora goat, long light fine long staple, 24@26c; light fine short staple, 20@22c; heavy fine luster, 25@27c.

Hides—No. 1 fully cured, 22c; No. 1 green 20c; horse hides, No. 1, $8.50; No. 2, $7.50; pony $3; colt, 50c@$2.

Beese Wax—20c; No. 1 tallow, 8c; No. 2 tallow 6c.

THE RETAIL PRICES.

Flour and Feed.

Flour and feed—Graham flour, per sack, 60c; corn chops, per cwt., $2.50; shorts, per cwt., $2.20; bran, per cwt., $1.85; corn per bu $1.35; hay per cwt., 75@85c; straw, per cwt., 40@50c; meal per sack, 35c; corn and oat chop, per cwt., $2.50; corn chop, 20 lbs., 45c; oil meal, per ctw., $2.50; wheat flour, per sack, old wheat, $2.28@2.95; 24 lb. rye flour $1.45.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

Creamery butter, 48c bulk, 50c prints; country butter, 40@43c.

Eggs—Candled, 35@48c.

Poultry—Geese, dressed 18@25c; turkeys, dressed, 30@35c; dressed hens 20@25c; spring chickens 25c; ducks 22½c.

Fresh and Salt Fish.

Frozen, not fresh caught—Salmon, 16c lb.; halibut, 20c; red snapper, 16c lb; white fish, 18c; smelts, 20c.

Fresh fish—Catfish, 20c; bass, 25c; trout, 18c; halibut, 18c; salmon, 18c; pigs, 35c; live lobsters, 45c lb.; broiled lobsters, 60 each; white fish, 20c lb.; crabs, hard shell, 15c each; soft shell, 30c each; perch, 12½c; shrimp, 25c lb.; fresh mackerel, 40c each; shads, 60c each; shadroe, 40c pair; frog legs 25c pair; Spanish mackerel, 40c each; fresh herring, 15c; white fish, 20c; smelts, 20c.

Salt fish—Mackerel, 10@65c; herring Norway, 3 for 25c; cod 10@20c; lake fish pail, 70c; salt mackerel, 10@25c; salt white fish, 10@35c lb.; salt cod, 10@25c lb.; smoked sturgeon, 25c lb.; finan haddie, lb., 20c; Holland herring, pail, $1.25; Holland herring, $1.30 keg; mixed $1.40 a keg milchners; salt eel, 25c lb.; pail anchovites, $1.25.

Smoked fish—White fish, 20@25 lb.; sardines, 5@25c; spiced sardines, 3 for 10c; box cod, 12½@20c; fancy smoked bloaters, 3 for 25c; smoked boneless herring, 25c lb.; smoked herring, 25c lb.; stock fish, 50c; Kippered herring, 3 for 25c; halibut 25c lb.; smoked sturgeon, 25 lb.

Select oysters, 60c qt.; standard oysters, 50c qt.

Fruits.

Frutis—Bananas, 6c pound; lemons, 30c; oranges, 20@65c; apples, 25@60c pk; watercress, 10c, 3 for 25c; kumquats, 35@40c; Emperor grapes, 20c; Spanish Malaga grapes, 25c; Sickle pears, 12c lb.; grape fruit, 6¼@15c.

Vegetables.

Vegetables—Cabbage, lb., 6½c; tomatoes, ripe, 25@35c; parsley, 5 and 10c; mushrooms, 80c lb.; green beans, 17c; horse radish, 10c; beets, lb., 3c; lettuce, 35c lb.; egg plant, 20 to 25c; cauliflower, 10@35c; beets, per pk., 40c; turnips, 30c pk.; potatoes, peck, 50c; per bu., $1.80; carrots 5c each; head lettuce 15 to 25 cents; sweet potatoes, 5c lb.; Brussels sprouts box 20@35c.

NIXON SAYS LIQUID WAS RED

UNIONVILLE VETERINARIAN SAW SMITH DRINK FROM BOTTLE AT FATHER'S FUNERAL.

Centerville, Dec. 11, (Special).—Only one witness was on the stand this morning in the Frank Smith murder trial, and that was Dr. G. F. Severs, a member of the Iowa state board of health. He was put on the stand by the state on the question of Smith's insanity and before he left was accused by the attorneys for the defense of being insane himself, because he said it was no indication of insanity for Smith to talk to the dead, as he himself had done it, being a spiritualist. The matter of Smith talking to his dead father the morning that he killed Mrs. Alice Gerlach in Unionville was discussed, and the doctor said that it might have been due to Smith's physiological condition and not necessarily to insanity. He said that one of Smith's temperament and condition, both physical and mental, might hypnotize himself into the belief that he received communications from the dead.

Centerville, Dec. 11.—Important testimony bearing on whether Frank Smith is insane, or acted in an unusual manner from other causes, was introduced Saturday afternoon when Dr. Nixon, veterinary surgeon of Unionville, told of seeing him a few months before the shooting frothing at the mouth from drinking bitters. The defense had introduced testimony on the fact that Smith frothed at the mouth at the funeral of his father as indicating insanity. Dr. Nixon says he observed him drinking from a bottle that seemed to have some kind of bitters in it which caused this same result. The doctor said it was a red looking liquid that the bottle contained and a few draughts from it produced the frothy condition. The defense asked him if it might not have been a heart medicine and he said that it might, but it looked to him like some kind of bitters.

The state introduced further testimony as to Smith's sanity by putting Dr. W. L. Downing of Moulton on the stand. He said he did not profess to be an insanity expert, but in answer to the state's hypothetical question answered that it described a sane man. When the defense put its question he thought the man described might be insane. But on the whole his testimony was favorable to the state.

The third week of the case has ended and the fourth begun with a large number of witnesses yet to be examined. The state expects to complete its rebuttal today, but the twenty-five new winesses summoned by the defense will occupy some time. The arguments will be reached, it is thought, well after the middle of the week and it is a question whether the case will go to the jury this week or not.

SHOT HIT HUNTER IN EYE.

Montezuma, Dec. 11.—A few days ago Tom Bryan, with George Iberg and Harold Bone, went hunting. Harold shot at a rabbit about the same time that Bryan fired. Neither of the three was in range of the other's gun, but in some manner, a stray shot found its way to Tom Bryan's left eye. Specialists say the sight may be saved.

FARMERS TO PAVE ROAD.

LaMoille, Dec. 11.—A mile of paved road on the Lincoln highway near LaMoille, the first town west of Marshalltown, is likely to result from a movement started by farmers of the neighborhood.

PLENTY OF HOGS AT HIGHER PRICES

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Demand for hogs came from so many quarters today that prices rose despite liberal arrivals.

Most of the cattle offerings lacked quality.

Sheep and lambs proved scarce.

Chicago Live Stock; Opening.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—The opening live stock market follows:

Hogs—Market strong at Saturday's average; receipts, 62,000; bulk, $9.50@9.95; light, $8.90@9.85; mixed, $9.30@10.05; heavy, $9.45@10.10; rough, $9.45@9.60; pigs, $6.75@8.75.

Cattle—Market steady; receipts, 28,000; native beef steers, $7@12.60; western steers, $7@10.50; stockers and feeders, $4.60@7.85; cows and heifers, $3.85@10.05; calves, $9.50@13.25.

Sheep—Market steady; receipts, 22,000; wethers, $8.50@9.50; lambs, $10.25@13.

Chicago Live Stock; Closing.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—The closing live stock market follows:

Hogs—Market active, 5 to 10c higher than Saturday's average; receipts, 62,000; estimated tomorrow, 43,000; bulk, $9.60@10; light, $8.95@9.90; heavy, $9.50@10.20; mixed, $9.40@10.15; rough $9.50@9.70.

Cattle—Market steady; receipts, 29,000; top, $12.60.

Sheep—Market strong to 10c higher; receipts, 22,000; top, $9.50; lambs, $13.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 11.—The live stock market follows:

Hogs—Market strong; receipts, 10,000; bulk, $9.50@9.90; heavy, $9.85@10; light, $9.35@9.85; pigs, $8@8.75.

Cattle—Market strong; receipts, 15,000; steers, $6.50@12; cows, $5@8.50; heifers, $6@10.50; calves, $6.50@11.

Sheep—Market steady; receipts, 9,000; lambs, $11.50@12.50; yearlings, $9.75@11; wethers, $8@9; ewes, $7.50@8.50.

St. Louis Live Stock.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 11.—The live stock market follows:

Hogs—Market steady; receipts, 16,500; lights, $9.40@9.90; pigs, $7.25@9; mixed $9.35@10.10; heavy $10.05@10.10; bulk, $9.55@10.

Cattle—Market lower; receipts, 10,000; beef steers, $7.50@11.75; heifers, $8.50@11.50; cows, $5.50@8; calves, $6@12.25.

Sheep—Market higher; receipts, 1,500; lambs, $7.50@13.

Omaha Live Stock.

Omaha, Nebr., Dec. 11.—The live stock market follows:

Hogs—Market higher; receipts, 11,300; heavy, $9.75@10.05; light, $9.35@9.80; pigs, $7.75@9; bulk, $9.50@9.85.

Cattle—Market steady; receipts, 10,500; steers, $7@11; cows and heifers, $5.75@7.50.

Sheep—Market higher; receipts, 9,000; yearlings, $8.50@10.50; wethers, $7.60@9.10; lambs, $11.75@12.80.

St. Louis Horses and Mules.

East St. Louis, Ill., Dec. 11.—Horses and mule market:

Horses—Extra heavy draft $150@220; eastern chunks, $150@185; good southerns, $90@130.

Mules—16 to 16¼ hands, $150@250; 15 to 15½ hands, $140@200; 14 to 14½ hands, $50@110.

Omaha Cash Grain.

Omaha, Nebr., Dec. 11.—The cash grain market follows:

Wheat—No. 2 hard, $1.71½@1.73.

Corn—No. 2 white, 87¼@88c; No. 2 yellow, 87@87½c; No. 2 86½@87c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 52½@52¾c.

Minneapolis Closing Grain.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 11.—Closing grain:

Wheat—May, $1.83¾; July, $1.79⅛. Cash, No. 1 hard, $1.83¾@1.87⅝; No. 1 northern, $1.80⅝@1.83¾.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, 86½@87½c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 49¼@49¾c.

Flax—$2.83@2.88.

Car Lot Receipts.

Wheat—49 cars, with 8 of contract grade.

Corn—238 cars, with 18 of contract grade.

Oats—104 cars, with 45 of contract grade.

Total receipts of wheat at Minneapolis, Duluth and Winnipeg today were 2,662 cars, compared with 3,211 cars last week and 5,102 cars the corresponding day a year ago.

Estimated cars tomorrow, Chicago—Wheat, 103; corn, 499; oats, 341.

GETS $1 VERDICT ON $2,400 ACTION

Muscatine, Dec. 11.—After deliberating for sixteen hours, the jury in the $2,400 suit of the Hawkeye Pearl Button company against the Henry F. Kath company, returned a verdict awarding the button concern $1 with six per cent interest from November 22, 1916.

LAD IS LOCATED.

Iowa City, Dec. 11.—Saved from distress and sorrow by a newspaper item, the parents of Cutler Kinser, the youth who disappeared in September from Corydon, are happy. The boy has been discovered on a farm near West Branch, Cedar county.

The Sports' Corner

RIFLE CLUB IS QUITE ACTIVE

ADD NEW TARGET AND IMPROVE THE RANGE WEST OF TOWN; INTEREST IS KEEN.

If interest in the work of the organization will make the Ottumwa Rifle club the best in the state, then it is only a question of time until the local club is heard from. Since its organization some months ago, the club has been growing and getting more actively interested in the work every day.

Having got the use of the guardsmen's range west of the city, the club members have done much to improve it and are still adding to the improvements with a view to making it the last word in a rifle range. Scarcely a day passes but there are some of the members on the range shooting to get a marking. A number have already attained the rating of marksmen and sharp shooter and more are striving to qualify for these ratings.

A number of the members in the past week visited the range and almost completely transformed it from the old haphazard affair into a more modern target range. The various distances, 200, 300, 400 and 500 feet have been measured and marked off, the bunting at the range renewed and another target added making two now for the use of the members. Posts have been installed for the marksmen where they can rest their guns and make better results in their practice work.

ALGONA ELEVEN IS BANQUETED

Algona, Dec. 11.—The Algona high school football team, state champions, was banqueted here Saturday night by the local Commercial club and Algona boosters. The feast was a gala event and it served as a mark of appreciation of the sensational work of the team in the season which just closed.

Two hundred and fifty members of the local churches, commercial club and citizens joined in the celebration in honor of the boys who put Algona back on the map in the athletic world. Every superintendent, coach and captain of the teams that have played with Algona the past season took a big hand in the reception Saturday night.

TAKE DRASTIC ACTION.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Action taken at the annual meeting of faculty representatives of the western conference here Saturday threatens expulsion for Big Nine football players who engaged in professional contests after the collegiate season and also to take away letters earned in sports.

The opening dates of the football season were also advanced from September 20 to September 1. Professor T. F. Moran of Purdue university was elected president of the conference and J. P. A. Urye of Wisconsin was made secretary.

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Articles—	Receipts	Shipments
Wheat, bu	2,012,000	863,000
Corn, bu	1,474,000	963,060
Oats, bu	1,239,000	1,366,000

Seaboard clearances—Wheat, 1,308,000; corn, none; oats, 945,000.

New York Money; Closing.

New York, Dec. 11.—Mercantile paper—4⅝.

Bar silver—75½c.

Mexican dollars—58¼c.

Time loans—4@4½%.

Call money—High, 10%; low, 3½; closing bid, 9.

ELDON

Miss Sigafoose, who has been a visitor at the John Hull home, has returned to her home in Kansas.

Mrs. R. R. Potts has returned home from a visit in Kansas with relatives.

Mrs. Ben Herrold returned home Friday night from Selma where she had been visiting at the Ransom home.

The basketball game between Stockport high school and the Eldon high school was won by Eldon, the score being 16 to 50. Music was furnished by the high school band. After the game a reception and banquet were given at the Hazen F. Moore home for the two teams by the high school girls.

Misses Helen and Hazel Holmes spent Saturday in Ottumwa.

N. U. Luellen returned home from Des Moines Friday night.

Cecil Lyons has a position at the Varney mercantile store.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid society's bazaar was quite a success. About $50 worth of goods was sold.

The Fortnightly club gave a party at the Masonic hall Friday night. The evening was spent in playing rook. Refreshments were served.

William Trigg, Harry Trigg, Dick Griffith and Charles Kindig, who are working on the new bank, went to their homes in Centerville to spend Sunday.

JUDGE WADE FLAYS ACCUSED PERJURER

Des Moines, Dec. 11.—Liars came in for a bitter excoriation at the hands of Judge Martin J. Wade in the federal court when he passed sentence on William M. Clark of Marshalltown who earlier in the day had been convicted by a jury on a charge of perjury.

Judge Wade declared in terms not to be mistaken that he would do everything in his power to punish men who go before grand juries and courts and perjure themselves.

BRIEF ITEMS IN SPORTING EVENTS

ARE GIVEN LETTERS.

Galesburg, Ill., Dec. 11.—At the quarterly football meeting of the athletic council of Lombard college the following men were granted their college letter in football: Arthur Rose of Galesburg; Alfred E. Hedden of Farmington; Ray Seeley, of Macomb; Clifton Adams of Yates City; Rurick Anderson of Kewanee; Wm. Jacobs of Joliet; Ray Jackson of Rockford; M. E. Wilson of Colchester; Milo Hollorran of Oconto, Wisconsin; Wm. Buckley of Waukesha, Wis.; Douglas Bragdon of Waterloo, Iowa; Wm. Recknor and Harry Stream of Creston, Iowa

LEADS IN TENNIS.

New York, Dec. 11.—According to official lists of the ranking committee of the United States National Lawn Tennis association, made public here Saturday, R. Norris Williams II, national champion of Philadelphia, is the ranking lawn tennis player of the country. William M. Johnston of San Francisco, 1915 champion and runner up this year, is placed second, George M. Church third, R. Lindley Murray fourth and Ichiya Kumagae, Japanese player, fifth. Miss Molla Bjurstedt leads the list of women players, with Mrs. Edward Raymond taking second place.

PERMIT FRESHMAN GAMES.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 11.—Permission for intercollegiate athletic contests between freshmen teams of the schools of the Missouri Valley conference was given by the governing board of the conference in annual session here Saturday.

President Hill N. Bell of Drake university, Des Moines, Iowa, was elected president of the governing board. E. W. Stanton, vice president of Iowa State agricultural college (Ames) was reelected secretary.

WINS LONG RACE.

New York, Dec. 11.—Villar Kyronen of the Millrose Athletic association of New York won the National Amateur Athletic Union senior cross country run over the Van Cortlandt Park six mile course Saturday afternoon. Despite a heavy rain and muddy course, Kyronen's time was 32 minutes and 45 second, ten second faster than the previous record for the course made by Hannes Kolehmainen, who finished second in Saturday's race.

TAKE FIRST GAME.

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 11.—University of Illinois basket ball team won its first game of the season here Saturday night over Milliken university five, 38 to 18.

BOUT DECLARED OFF.

New York, Dec. 11.—For the third time this season the ten round bout scheduled for next Friday night between Al McCoy and Jack Dillon has been called off. McCoy is said to have injured his arm so that he will not be able to train.

ELECT SUB CAPTAIN.

Oxford, Ohio, Dec. 11.—Lewis O. McVey, a substitute varsity player and fullback on the second string eleven, was chosen here Saturday as captain for the 1917 football team of Miami university.

BOSTON ELEVEN WINS.

Boston, Dec. 11.—De Paul academy of Chicago, leaders in middle western prep football, was defeated here Saturday by the Somerville high school team, 7 to 0. It was the first defeat of the academy since 1914.

LEADS NOTRE DAME.

Notre Dame, Ind., Dec. 11.—Mervin J. Phelan of Portland, Ore., was elected captain of the 1917 football team at the annual football banquet Saturday night.

CHURCH BULLETIN PLEASES HEDRICK

Hedrick, Dec. 11.—All of Hedrick has been awaiting the erection and illumination of the large Come to Church bulletin just installed here by the Leonard Fowler bulletin service, of Des Moines, as an extension of the work of the Non Sectarian Society for the Encouragement of Religious Faith, an eastern organization.

The bulletin is placed on the Shaw building and presents a very fine appearance when all illuminated at night.

It is built of sheet steel, ten feet high by thirty feet long. Like the Carnegie libraries, there is no charge for the building of the boards nor for their installation. This is done free of any cost to the churches, the financial plan allowing the building of these boards as the library buildings are built. In each city, however, the ministerial association or some minister from one of the churches arranges to guarantee the cost of lightning, the labor for making annual replacements, interest on money invested and insurance.

At Hedrick, Rev. L. R. Rohrbaugh, Rev. James Elliott and Rev. O. M. Humphreys met with Rev. Hodge and appointed Rev. Humphreys a committee of one to assist Rev. Hodge in promoting the maintenance fund here.

The following local business men have pledged themselves to pay the fund necessary to maintain the bulletin for a period of three years:

First National bank; Hedrick State bank; E. W. Hartrick, Clem & Vandiver, H. S. Cline, O. E. Thorne, Broadwell Lumber & Grain Co., R. R. Jackson & Son, G. W. Storey, W. H. Cooper, J. A. Mathews & Son and C. G. Miller, all substantial and representative citizens who sympathize with the new movement to popularize the churches through the medium of advertising.

The First National bank is acting as agent of the people of Hedrick, as well as for Leonard Fowler bulletin service.

RUTH HEADS SLABSTERS

RED SOX SOUTHPAW STANDS AT TOP OF AMERICAN LEAGUE HURLERS.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Babe Ruth, the big Red Sox southpaw, who hurled his way to fame in a fourteen inning duel with Sherrod Smith in the last world's series, stands at the head of the American league pitchers for 1916, according to the official averages made public here Saturday. Taking part in forty-four games, he allowed an average of 1.75 runs a game.

Eddie Cicotte of the Chicago White Sox was second and Walter Johnson Washington, was third. Cicotte allowed 1.78 runs a game, Johnson 1.89. Coveleskie, Detroit; Wolfgang, Chicago, and Faber of Chicago follow in the order named. The veteran Eddie Plank stood thirteenth on the list, with an average of 2.33 runs a game.

Big Dave Davenport of St. Louis was the iron man of the season, appearing on the slab in fifty-nine contests. Reb Russell of the White Sox was a close second with fifty-six.

In innings pitched Johnson led the field with 371 to his credit. Davenport only pitched 290 innings.

Walter Johnson also appears in the lead in the number of strikeouts, having forced 228 batsmen to hit the air. Myers of Philadelphia is closest to this mark with 182. Johnson gave 172 bases on balls and hit nine batsmen.

NAP LAJOIE ENDS BASEBALL CAREER

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 11.—Napoleon Lajoie, who has made 3,242 major league base hits, will make no more. Lajoie will be seen in the minor leagues next season and will be a manager. Just where the graceful Frenchman will spend what remains of his youth after twenty-one strenuous campaigns in the big leagues has not definitely been decided. But next year he will not be stationed at second base with the team Connie Mack is endeavoring to whip into a pennant winner. He will be holding the managerial reins of a first rate minor league club, perhaps in the American association. He has several offers under consideration and will accept one of them. Connie Mack is willing, Lajoie is anxious and several clubs want him as a pilot. In addition he will be a part owner. His contract as a major leagues expired with the close of the 1916 season.

HAWKEYES WILL MEET HUSKERS IN LINCOLN

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 11.—Guy E. Reed, athletic manager of the University of Nebraska, announced Saturday night four football games of the Nebraska 1917 schedule that have been arranged. They are:

October 13—Iowa at Lincoln.
November 19—Missouri at Lincoln.
November 17—Kansas at Lawrence.
Thanksgiving day—Notre Dame at Lincoln.

There will be at least two and possibly three more games. The athletic board believes it will yet be possible to reach terms with Ames at Iowa.

PINE VILLAGE WINS.

Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 11.—Pine Village won the professional football championship here Sunday by defeating the Clabby eleven of Hammond, 3 to 0. Dick King, ex-Harvard star, made the field goal for Pine Village just before the game ended.

DODGE'S BEQUEST NOW IN CITY'S CARE

Council Bluffs, Dec. 11.—The third bequest of $50,000 made by Gen. Grenville M. Dodge to the city of Council Bluffs has just become available and turned over to F. T. True, city treasurer, for deposit until such time as a special commission has decided upon its investment.

This last bequest is for the benefit of the hundreds of railroad men who live or have their layover in this city. The city is to become the permanent trustee of the funds. The interest or profit from the investment is to be used for the maintenance of a railroad Y. M. C. A. reading room, bath rooms and library.

The only restriction which Gen. Dodge placed upon its use or benefit is that a railroad man to be eligible "must be in good standing."

WOMAN WHO IS 106 ASKS PENSION

Shenandoah, Dec. 11.—Lucy Brown, colored, 106 years old, applied to the county clerk at Clarinda for a pension under the blind pension statute. She is unable to care for herself and is bedfast. She is at the home of her niece whose husband is serving time in the county jail for bootlegging.

She has been a resident of Clarinda since the civil war and declares she has seen six wars in the United States. She was held in slavery in Virginia and has been sold a number of times from the human block and always brought a good price.

ROBBERS ENTER STORE.

Centerville, Dec. 11.—Two stores in