STOCKS SLUMP BEFORE CLOSE

Call Rate Jumps to 12 Per Cent and Prices Drop.

NEW YORK, March 28.—After some strength at the opening, the stock market developed weakness and losses of from fractions to seven points were suffered in the active issues. Trading was quiet.

Steel common, after advancing ⅝ to 105¼, yielded to 104½. Baldwin Locomotive dropped 2 points to 134¼ and Crucible 2¼ to 244¼.

General Motors rose 3¼ o 378 and then fell to 371. Stutz Motors yielded 3 points to 315, while Chandler Motors rose 4 points to 161. Pierce Arrow rose over 1 point to 70⅝, but quickly lost this upturn.

Mexican Petroleum rose 1½ to 202½ and then fell to 201. Sinclair was active, advancing 1 point to 44½. Pan-American Petroleum, after rising to 104½, yielded to 103¼.

Atlantic Gulf continued in demand, advancing 3½ to 171½. Colorado Gas was prominent, selling up 2¼ to 63. United States Rubber fell 1½ to 110½ and Stromberg Carburetor 2 points to 92.

The tone during the forenoon was strong, with many issues being in scant supply.

Steel common, after falling to 104⅝, rose to 105¼, and Republic Steel rose 1 point to 109¼. Baldwin Locomotive was heavy, falling over 3 points to 133.

The shipping issues were in demand, Atlantic Gulf advancing to over 172.

Chandler Motors rose further to 164½ and Pierce Arrow advanced to 71¾. Sinclair Oil advanced 1⅛ to 46.

The market closed weak. Heavy selling developed when the call money rate rose to 12 per cent.

Baldwin Locomotive yielded 4 points, to 131¾. Nearly all the other issues were in supply at declines of from 1 to 3 points.

Pan-American Petroleum yielded over 4 points to 100½. Industrial Alcohol from the high of 98¼ yielded to 93½. Crucible dropped 8 points from the high to 255 and General Motors to 370.

Southern Pacific was finally 99½; Atlantic Gulf, 165; Marine preferred 93½; Studebaker 105½ and American Woolen, 132.

Total sales of stocks today were 882,100 shares; bonds, $9,184,000.

NEW YORK LIBERTY BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Liberty bond quotations: First 3½s, 97.50; first 4s, 96.30; second 4s, 89.40; first 4¼s, 90.74; second 4¼s, 89.92; third 4¼s, 92.80; fourth 4¼s, 89.76; Victory 3¾s, 97.46; Victory 4¾s, 97.46.

NEW YORK METALS.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Copper quiet; spot, March and April, 18@18¾c. Lead quiet; spot and March, 8½c bid. Spelter firm; spot, 8.40c bid; March, 8.45c bid; April, May and June, 8.45@8.62½c.

ACTIVE OIL STOCKS.

(By Thomson & McKinnon.)

	—Opening— Bid.	Ask.
Anglo-American Oil	26½	27½
Atlantic Refining	1500	1550
Buckeye Pipe Line	97	100
Chesebrough Mfg. Cons	235	240
Continental Oil, Colorado	580	600
Cosden Oil and Gas	8⅞	9
Crescent Pipe Line	32	35
Elk Basin Pete	9⅝	9⅞
Eureka Pipe Line	140	145
Galena-Signal Oil, pref	94	98
Galena-Signal Oil, com	82	86
Illinois Pipe Line	173	178
Indiana Pipe Line	100	103
Merritt Oil	20	20½
Midwest Oil	1½	2
Midwest Refining	170	173
National Transit	31	33
New York Transit	182	187
Northern Pipe Line	102	106
Ohio Oil	355	365
Penn.-Mex	57	60
Prairie Oil and Gas	650	670
Prairie Pipe Line	255	260
Sapulpa Refining	5¼	5⅜
Solar Refining	400	420
Southern Pipe Line	145	150
South Penn Oil	315	325
Southwest Penn Pipe Lines	84	88
Standard Oil Co. of Cal	348	352
Standard Oil Co. of Ind	840	850
Standard Oil Co. of Kas	600	630
Standard Oil Co. of Ky	410	440
Standard Oil Co. of Neb	410	420
Standard Oil Co. of N. Y	440	445
Standard Oil Co. of Ohio	490	510
Swan & Finch	98	103
Union Tank Line	124	128
Vacuum Oil	415	425
Washington Oil	37	42

CHICAGO STOCKS.

(By Thomson & McKinnon)

	Open.	Close.
Booth Fisheries pfd	65	65
Carbide and Carbon	73	72
Chicago Pneumatic Tool	100¼	100
Cudahy Packing Co	97¼	97¼
Diamond Match	121	121
Libby	30½	29⅝
Public Service pfd	90	90
Sears-Roebuck	230	230
Stewart-Warner	48½	47½
Swift & Co	122	120
Swift International	45	44
Armour pfd.	99⅝	99½
Nat. Leather	14	14
Mont. Ward	39½	39¼

Straus & Co. Offer Hotel Bond Issue

S. W. Straus & Co. announced today they have underwritten a first mortgage 6 per cent serial bond issue of $5,000,000 on the Drake hotel now being erected on the Lakeshore drive, Chicago.

The bonds are secured by a first mortgage on the land, building and equipment.

The new hotel will contain 780 guest rooms and will be under the same management as the Blackstone hotel, Chicago.

Foreign Exchange Opens Unsettled

NEW YORK, March 29.—The foreign exchange market opened unsettled today with demand sterling at $3.91¼, off 3 cents; franc checks 14.52, off 25 centimes and lire demand 19.92.

The market closed irregular with demand sterling $3.92½, off 1¾c; franc checks, 14.50, off 23 centimes, and lire checks off 22 centimes at 20.14.

LOCAL HIDE MARKET.

Green Hides—No. 1, 18c; No. 2, 17c. Green Calves—No. 1, 40c; No. 2, 38½c. Horsehides—No. 1, $10; No. 2, $9. Cured Hides—No. 1, 20c; No. 2, 19c.

Weather Conditions

Station.	Bar.	Temp.	Weath.
Indianapolis	29.79	40	PtCldy
Atlanta, Ga	29.92	58	PtCldy
Amarillo, Tex	30.00	26	Clear
Bismarck, N. D	29.62	26	PtCldy
Boston, Mass	29.92	44	Cloudy
Chicago, Ill	29.64	36	Cloudy
Cincinnati, O	29.78	44	Cloudy
Cleveland, O	29.56	46	Cloudy
Denver, Colo	29.88	28	Clear
Dodge City, Kas	29.98	30	Clear
Helena, Mont	29.78	36	Clear
Jacksonville, Fla	30.02	68	Clear
Kansas City, Mo	29.92	38	Clear
Louisville, Ky	29.90	46	Clear
Little Rock, Ark	30.04	44	Clear
Los Angeles, Cal	30.02	48	Clear
Mobile, Ala	29.94	66	PtCldy
New Orleans, La	29.96	64	Cloudy
New York, N. Y	29.82	44	Rain
Norfolk, Va	29.82	64	Cloudy
Oklahoma City	30.06	38	Clear
Omaha, Neb	29.84	34	Clear
Philadelphia, Pa	29.78	52	Rain
Pittsburg, Pa	29.60	60	Clear
Portland, Ore	30.20	44	Cloudy
Rapid City, S. D	29.72	38	PtCldy
Roseburg, Ore	30.26	42	Clear
San Antonio, Tex	30.02	50	Clear
San Francisco, Cal	30.04	48	Clear
St. Louis, Mo	29.92	40	Clear
St. Paul, Minn	29.64	24	Clear
Tampa, Fla	30.02	72	Cloudy
Washington, D. C	29.72	58	Cloudy

Observation taken at 7 a. m., March 29, 1920, by United States weather bureaus.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The disturbance in the west Saturday morning developed much in intensity during Sunday, and moved northeastward, accompanied on its eastern front by high winds and severe local storms. It is now centered over the northern lakes region, and has been followed to the west and south by considerably lower temperatures. Another depression center is present in the Canadian northwest, and high-of temperatures prevail thence southward over the middle Rockies and the southwestern plateau.

J. H. ARMINGTON, Meteorologist.

TODAY'S MARKET NEWS IN BRIEF

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Market opened with show of strength, but reactions soon set in and losses developed. Around noon steadier tone in evidence only to be shattered near close by rate of call money, which jumped to 12 per cent. Market closed weak.

GRAINS.

Indianapolis Cash—Corn, steady, unchanged; oats, steady, unchanged; hay, firm.

Chicago Cash—Corn, unchanged to 1c higher; oats, unchanged to ½c higher.

Chicago Futures—Corn, ⅛@1⅛c higher; oats, ⅛@¼c lower.

Toledo Cash—Corn, unchanged; oats, unchanged; rye, 2c higher; barley, 1c higher.

LIVE STOCK.

Indianapolis—Hogs, 25@50c higher; cattle, slow and uneven; calves, steady; sheep, nominal.

Chicago—Hogs, 20@25c higher; cattle, no market account of strike; sheep, no market.

PROVISIONS.

Chicago Board of Trade—Pork, 65@75c lower; lard, 30@38c lower; ribs, 23@70c lower.

Local Stock Exchange

STOCKS.

	Bid.	Ask.
Ind. Ry. & Light com	55	...
Ind. Ry. & Light pfd	90	95
Indpls. & Northwest, pfd	...	75
Indpls. & Southwest, pfd	...	75
Indpls. St. Ry	46	50
T. H., T. & Light pfd	76	...
T. H., I. & E. com	1¾	...
T. H., T. & L. pfd	75	...
U. T. of Ind. com	...	1
U. T. of Ind. 1st pfd	5	11
U. T. of Ind. 2d pfd	...	2
Advance-Rumely Co. com	...	...
Advance-Rumely Co. pfd	65	...
Am. Central Life	235	...
Am. Creosoting Co. pfd	97	...
Belt Railroad com	109	119
Belt Railroad pfd	52	...
Century Bldg. Co. pfd	99¾	...
Cities Service com	...	...
Cities Service pfd	...	...
Citizens Gas Co., 1917	34	...
Citizens Gas, prior to 1917	34½	...
Dodge Mfg. Co. pfd	99½	...
Home Brewing	50	...
Indiana Hotel com	65	...
Indiana Hotel pfd	99	...
Ind. National Life	4½	...
Ind. Title Guaranty	64	72
Ind. Pipe Line	...	...
Indpls. Abattoir pfd	49	52
Indianapolis Gas	53	56
Indpls. Tel. Co. com	...	...
Indpls. Tel. Co. pfd	75	90
Lencke Realty Co. pfd	95	...
Mer. Pub. Util. Co. pfd	42½	52½
Natl. Motor Co	20½	21½
Natl. Underwrit Co	...	...
Public Savings	2½	...
Rauh Fertilizer pfd	56	...
Stand. Oil Co. of Ind	840	...
Sterling Fire Insurance	8½	10
Stutz Motor Co	...	...
Van Camp Hardware, pfd	99	...
Van Camp Pack. pfd	100	...
Van Camp Prod. 1st pfd	100	...
Van Camp Prod. 2d pfd	99	...
Vandalia Coal com	...	5
Vandalia Coal pfd	...	10
Wabash Ry. com	8	...
Wabash Ry. pfd	27¼	...

BONDS.

	Bid.	Ask.
Broad Ripple 5s	52	...
Citizens Street Ry. 5s	70	83
Ind. Coke & Gas Co. 6s	91	...
Ind. Creek Coal & Min. 6s	98	...
Indiana Northern 5s	...	...
Indiana Union Traction 5s	...	...
Indpls., Col. & South. 5s	88	...
Indpls. & Greenfield 5s	95	...
Indpls. & Martinsville 5s	57	...
Indpls. & North 5s	36	41
Indpls. & Northwestern 5s	52	62
Indpls. & Southeast. 5s	...	44
Indpls., Shelby & S. E. 5s	...	...
Indpls. Street Ry. 4s	59	67
Indpls. Trac. & Ter. 5s	65	67
Kokomo, M. & M. 5s	85½	88
T. H., I. & E. 5s	...	69
Union Trac. of Ind. 5s	...	70
Citizens Gas 5s	77	82½
Indiana Hotel Co. 2d 6s	97½	101
Indianapolis Gas Co	73½	80
Ind. L. & H. 5s	79	86
Indianapolis Water 5s	89	94
Indianapolis Water 4½s	72	78
M. M. & L. ref. 5s	90	94
New Telephone 1st 6s	93	...
New Telephone 2d 5s	98	...
New Tel. Long Distance 5s	91	...
South. Ind. Power 6s	91	...

BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES.

	Bid.	Ask.
Aetna Trust	100	...
Bankers Trust	117	...
City Trust	80	...
Commercial National	70	80
Continental National	111½	...
Farmers Trust	390	...
Fidelity Trust	120	...
Fletcher American National	257	...
Fletcher Sav. & Trust Co	168	...
Indiana National	293	300
Indiana Trust	206	...
Live Stock Exchange	382	...
Merchants National	262	...
National City	114	...
People State	176	...
Security Trust	117	...
State Sav. & Trust	89¼	94
Union Trust Co	368	380
Wash. Bank & Trust Co	131	...

LIBERTY BONDS.

	Bid.	Ask.
Liberty 3½s	96.80	97.50
Liberty first 4s	90.38	90.58
Liberty second 4s	89.30	89.60
Liberty first 4¼s	90.40	90.60
Liberty second 4¼s	89.68	89.98
Liberty third 4¼s	92.70	93.00
Liberty fourth 4¼s	89.70	89.80
Victory 3¾s	97.34	97.54
Victory 4¾s	97.40	97.70

SALES.

30 shares Indpls. St. Ry 49

Local Bank Clearings

Today	$2,681,000
Same day last year	1,862,000
Increase over last year	$819,000

Today's Market Gossip

Representatives of big copper producers and affiliated banking interests have formed a $50,000,000 company to extend credit to foreign consumers.

United States grain corporation reports exports of wheat and flour to March 19 at 146,000,000 bushels, against 211,000,000 bushels year ago.

Consumption frozen meats in Great Britain is 30 per cent below pre-war standard and there are large stocks on hand, according to a London cable.

General Electric stock reported to have been going extensively of late into investment hands with result that the floating supply of stock is so small that bidding for moderate amount is expected to elevate the price sharply.

Gov. Harding of the federal reserve board said today: "Federal reserve specifically precludes the purchase of discount by federal reserve banks of notes, drafts or bills covering merely investments or issued or drawn for the purpose of carrying on trading in stocks, bonds or other investment securities except bonds and notes of United States government."

Corn letter by wire from Chicago says that three cargoes of Manchurian corn were recently bought for importation via Pacific coast. Farm reserves are larger than normal. Shipping demand does not exist. Feeding demand is slowing down. These are good and sufficient reasons for thinking that corn is high enough. But they do not mean that prices will decline at once. Slow distribution is an element that lends stubbornness to market.

WHOLESALE PRODUCE.

Wholesalers are paying the following prices in Indianapolis for eggs, poultry and packing stock butter:

Eggs—Fresh, 41c doz.

Poultry—Fowls, 34c; broilers, 1½ to 2 lbs, 50c; cocks, 18c; old tom turkeys, 32c; young tom turkeys, 12 lbs and up, 38c; young hen turkeys, 8 lbs and up, 38c; cull thin turkeys not wanted; ducks, 4 lbs up, 24c; ducks, under 4 lbs, 20c; geese, 10 lbs up, 20c; squabs, 11 lbs to doz, $7.50.

Butter—Clean packing stock, 35c lb; fresh creamery butter, in prints, is selling at wholesale at 60c; in tubs, 68c.

Butter Fat—Indianapolis buyers are paying 70c lb.

Cheese (wholesale selling prices)—Brick, 29@30c lb; New York cream, 32c; Wisconsin full cream, 31c; longhorns, 33@34c; limburger, 38c.

GOOD HOGS UP 25 TO 50 CENTS

Cattle Market Spotted, With Calves About Steady.

RANGE OF HOG PRICES.

Mar.	Good Mixed.	Good Heavy.	Good Light.
23	$15.75@16.00	$14.50@15.00	$16.25@16.35
24	16.00@16.25	14.50@15.00	16.50@16.65
25	15.50@16.00	14.25@14.75	16.25@16.35
26	15.25@15.75	14.25@14.75	16.00
27	15.50@16.00	14.50@14.75	16.25
29	15.75@16.25	14.75@15.00	16.50@16.75

Receipts, 4,500; market, 25@50c higher.

Run of hogs on hand was not enough to care for requirements and from the start prices were higher.

One local packer had an inside on most of the receipts and other buyers engaged in a keen scramble to get their share.

This was a condition favorable to the selling side and all classes of hogs benefited.

There was no definite schedule as more laxity than usual was allowed in the matter of weights, but the little hogs profited the most, selling at $16.50@16.75, with a liberal sprinkling of sales around the top mark.

Medium and mixed hogs were generally 25c higher, with sows and roughs also up 25 cents.

Sows showed a top of $13.50, but bulk of good stuff cleared at $13.25.

Pigs were about steady, although some fancy stock sold at $16. Bulk of sales, however, for the good weights around 130 pounds was registered at $15.50 down.

Cattle.

Receipts, 1,200; market, slow and uneven.

There was a spotty and irregular trend to cattle sales, with a dragging tendency in evidence.

Steers finally established a stronger tone, and were conceded to be a shade higher.

Good cows and heifers were about steady, but the medium grades of butcher stuff were 15@25c lower.

Canners held steady and bulls showed no shading off in price.

Market was slow in getting started and buyers appeared in no hurry to fill their orders.

Calves.

Receipts, 800; market, steady.

Calves held about steady with a weaker undertone apparent, particularly for the medium weight veals.

Choice veals cleared at $17 and the good at $15.50@16.50. Mediums at $11@14 were barely steady.

With the Chicago strike in force and reports from Pittsburg indicating a plentiful supply there was no outlet for the calves on hand and salesmen were forced to push sales.

Only one local packer was in the market and he took the bulk of the receipts.

Sheep.

Receipts, 50; market, nominal.

There was a bare scattering of sheep on hand, not enough to create a market.

HOGS.

Best hogs, 160 to 200 lbs average	$16.50@16.75
Good, 200 to 225 lbs average	16.25
Good, 225 to 250 lbs average	15.75
Good, 250 to 275 lbs average	15.50
Good, 275 to 300 lbs average	15.25
Good, over 300 lbs average	14.75@15.00
Roughs and packers	10.50@13.25
Bulk of sows	12.75@13.25
Best pigs, under 140 lbs	15.00@15.50
Bulk of good hogs	16.00@16.50

CATTLE.

—Steers—

Prime cornfed steers, 1,300 lbs and up	13.50@14.00
Good to choice steers, 1,300 lbs and up	13.00@13.50
Good to choice steers, 900 to 1,200 lbs	11.50@12.50
Common to medium steers, 1,100 to 1,200 lbs	10.50@11.50
Common to medium steers, 900 to 1,000 lbs	9.50@10.00
Good to choice yearlings	11.00@13.00

—Heifers and Cows—

Good to choice heifers	11.00@13.50
Fair to medium heifers	9.75@10.75
Common to light heifers	8.50@ 9.50
Good to choice cows	9.50@11.50
Fair to medium cows	8.50@ 9.25
Canners	5.00@ 6.00
Cutters	6.50@ 8.00

—Bulls and Calves—

Good to prime export bulls	9.00@ 9.50
Good to choice butcher bulls	8.50@ 9.50
Bologna bulls	7.00@ 8.00
Choice veals	17.00
Good veals	15.50@16.50
Medium veals	11.00@14.00
Lightweight veals	9.00@11.00
Heavy calves	7.00@10.00

—Stockers and Feeding Cattle—

Good to choice steers, 800 lbs and up	10.00@11.00
Common to fair steers, 800 lbs and up	9.00@ 9.50
Good to choice steers, under 800 lbs	9.50@10.00
Common to fair steers, under 800 lbs	8.00@ 9.25
Medium to good cows	6.25@ 7.25
Medium to good heifers	7.00@ 7.50
Fair to best milkers	75.00@125.00
Stock calves, 250 to 450 lbs	7.00@11.00

SHEEP AND LAMBS.

Good to choice sheep	9.50@10.00
Common to medium sheep	5.00@ 8.00
Good to choice yearlings	13.00@14.00
Common to medium yearlings	10.00@12.00
Western fed lambs	18.00@18.50
Good to choice lambs	17.50@18.00
Common to medium lambs	14.00@17.00
Bucks, per 100 lbs	7.00@ 8.00

Other Live Stock

CINCINNATI, March 29.—Hogs—Receipts, 8,400; market strong; heavy, $14.50@15.50; mixed, medium and light, $16; pigs, $14; roughs, $12.75; stags, $8.75. Cattle—Receipts, 2,100; market very slow, 25c lower; bulls steady; calves, $18.50. Sheep—None.

CHICAGO, March 29.—There were practically no sales of live stock today, due to the walkout. Trade was too erratic to quote prices on cattle and sheep.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Hogs—Receipts, 2,000; market strong, 20@25c higher; bulk, $14.80@16; butchers, $14.10@15.25; packers, $13.15@13.75; light, $15.20@16; pigs $13.75@15.50; roughs $12.60@13.15. Cattle—Receipts 1,500; no sales. Sheep—Receipts, 8,000; no sales.

CLEVELAND, March 29.—Hogs—Receipts, 5,500; market 35c higher; yorkers, $16.35; mixed, $16.35; medium, $14.75; pigs, $15.75; roughs, $12.50; stags, $9.50. Cattle—Receipts, 1,100; market steady; good to choice steers, $12@13.50; good to choice heifers, $9@11; good to choice cows, $8@10; fair to good cows, $6@8; bulls, $5@6; milchers, $50@150. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 1,000; market 25c higher; top, $16.75. Calves—Receipts, 1,000; market 50c@$1 higher; top, $20.

PITTSBURG, March 29.—Cattle—Receipts, 85 cars; market lower; choice, $13.75@14.50; good, $12.50@13.50; fair, $10@11.50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 20 double decks; market steady; prime wethers, $15@16; good, $13@14; fair mixed, $10.50@11.50; spring lambs, $13@20. Hogs—Receipts, 40 double decks; prime heavies, $14.75@15; mediums, $16.25@16.50; heavy yorkers, $16.50@16.75; light yorkers, $15.85@16; pigs, $15.50@15.75; roughs, $12@13.50; stags, $9@10.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., March 29.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,500; market, cattle strong, prospects higher; native beef steers, $10.50@13.75; yearling beef steers and heifers, $10@13; cows, $8.75@11; stockers and feeders, $10@10.60; calves, $18.75@19; canners and cutters, $4.75@6.50. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; market 35@50c higher; mixed and butchers, $15.75@16.35; good heavies, $14@15; rough heavies, $11.50@12.75; light, $15.90@16.35; pigs, $13.75@16; bulk of sales, $15.75@16.25. Sheep—Receipts, 1,200; market 25c higher; ewes, $13.75@14; lambs, $19@19.50; canners and cutters, $5@6.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., March 29.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market active to 25c lower; shipping steers, $13@14.25; butcher grades, 9@13; heifers, $6@11; cows, $4@11; bulls, $7@10.75; milch cows and springers, $50@175. Calves—Receipts, 3,000; market slow to $1.25 lower; culls to choice, $5@20.50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 10,000; market active and steady; choice lambs, $20@20.50; culls to fair, $16@19.50; yearlings, $16@18.25; sheep, $6@16. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; market slow to 10@25c higher; yorkers, $16.40@16.50; pigs, $15.75@16; mixed, $16.25@16.40; heavies, $15@15.75; roughs, $12@13.50; stags, $9@10.

MAX SHAW A PROUD DADDY.

Maxwell Shaw, head cattle buyer for Kingan & Co., at the local stock yards, was on the receiving end of a flood of congratulations today.

There is a daughter at the Shaw home that arrived last week and the news had just gotten to the yards.

Max was wearing a radiant smile that eloquently bespoke the role of a proud daddy he is now portraying.

CORN STARTS UP AND OATS DROP

Storm Causes Dull Day, as Wires Are Down.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Trading in grain futures on the Chicago Board of Trade today proved quiet and featureless, due to lack of outside trading.

Absence of information caused by wires being down caused many to hold off.

Provisions were lower.

March corn opened late at $1.61⅛, up ¼c, and later gained ¼c.

May corn, up ⅜c at the opening of $1.56¼, gained a further ⅜c later.

July corn, opening up ⅝c at $1.50½, remained unchanged.

September corn opened up ⅝c at $1.46¾; later lost ⅛c.

May oats opened unchanged at 86⅝c and later lost ⅛c.

July oats opened up ¼c at 79½c and later lost ½c.

It was a featureless market in corn options today with the March delivery closing higher, while the deferred futures were unchanged to a fraction lower.

March corn closed 1⅝c higher, while the May and July closed unchanged. September was ⅛@1⅜c lower. Trade was light throughout.

May oats closed ⅛@¼c lower; July was off ⅜c, while the September was ¾c off.

Hog products finished lower in sympathy with corn and oats.

CHICAGO GRAIN.

—March 29—

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	
CORN—					
Mar.	1.61	1.62⅛	1.61	1.62⅛	†1⅝
May.	1.56¼	1.56⅞	1.55½	1.56	† ⅛
	1.56½			1.55⅞	
July	1.50½	1.51	1.49⅝	1.50⅛	
				1.50¼	
OATS—					
May.	86⅝	86¾	86	86¼	* ⅛
	86¾				
July	79⅛	79⅜	78½	78⅞	* ¼
				78¾	
PORK—					
May.	37.25	37.25	36.50	36.50	* .75
July	37.50	37.50	36.60	36.60	* .65
LARD—					
May.	21.15	21.15	20.70	20.80	* .30
July	21.90	21.92	21.47	21.52	* .38
RIBS—					
May.	19.10	19.17	18.40	18.40	* .70
July	19.70	19.70	19.30	19.37	* .70
July	19.70	19.70	19.30	19.37	* .23

*Decrease. †Increase over Saturday's close.

CHICAGO CASH.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Wheat—No. 2 mixed, $2.50; No. 2 hard winter, $2.58; No. 3 hard winter, $2.55; No. 4 northern spring, $2.50. Corn—No. 2 mixed, $1.63; No. 3 mixed, $1.60@1.61½; No. 4 mixed, $1.58@1.59½; No. 3 white, $1.62½@1.63½; No. 4 white, $1.58@1.60½; No. 3 yellow, $1.61½@1.63; No. 4 yellow, $1.58½@1.59½. Oats—No. 2 white, 95½@96¾c; No. 3 white, 93@95½c; No. 4 white, 92¼@94c; standard, 86c.

TOLEDO CLOSE.

TOLEDO, O., March 29.—Close: Corn—No. 3 yellow, $1.62. Oats—No. 2 white, 99@$1.00. Rye—No. 2 cash, $1.78. Barley—No. 2 cash, $1.54. Alsyke—Cash and April, $36.50; May, $36.40. Cloverseed—Cash and March, $35.50; April, $34.00; October, $23.25. Timothy, 1917 and 1918 cash, $5.90; 1919 cash, $6.10; March $6.10; April, $6.05; May, $6; September and October, $6.15. December, $6.10. Butter—73c. Eggs—47c. Hay—$2.10.

PRIMARY MARKETS.

—March 29—

(By Thomson & McKinnon)

—Receipts—

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	49,000	146,000	123,000
Milwaukee	12,000	75,000	164,000
Minneapolis	378,000	38,000	98,000
Duluth	17,000	.....	2,000
St. Louis	64,000	165,000	184,000
Toledo	.....	5,000	12,000
Kansas City	282,000	103,000	39,000
Peoria	13,000	117,000	67,000
Omaha	62,000	111,000	54,000
Indianapolis	.....	99,000	30,000
Totals	883,000	867,000	783,000
Year ago	658,000	872,000	852,000

—Shipments—

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	33,000	96,000	140,000
Milwaukee	9,000	40,000	38,000
Minneapolis	117,000	8,000	33,000
Duluth	1,000	.....	14,000
St. Louis	24,000	68,000	63,000
Toledo	1,000	3,000	.....
Detroit	.....	7,000	6,000
Kansas City	19,000	30,000	12,000
Peoria	13,000	96,000	54,000
Omaha	48,000	81,000	36,000
Indianapolis	3,000	27,000	6,000
Totals	268,000	456,000	402,000
Year ago	984,000	306,000	685,000

—Clearances—

	Domestic W.	Corn.	Oats.
New York	94,000	.....	.....
Boston	40,000	.....	.....
Philadelphia	34,000	.....	.....
Baltimore	202,000	.....	.....
Galveston	57,000	.....	.....
Totals	427,000	.....	.....
Year ago	593,000	6,000	478,000

INDIANAPOLIS CASH GRAIN.

—March 29—

Corn—Steady; No. 3 white, $1.65½@1.66½; No. 4 white, $1.63½; No. 3 yellow, $1.63½; No. 4 yellow, $1.61@1.62½; No. 3 mixed, $1.64½@1.65; No. 4 mixed, $1.60.

Oats—Steady; No. 2 white, $1.01¼; No. 3 white, 99¼c@$1.00½; No. 4 white, 99¼c.

Hay—Firm; No. 1 timothy, $34@34.50; light clover mixed, $33@33.50; No. 1 clover mixed, $32.50@33.

—Inspections—

Wheat—No. 2 red, 2 cars; No. 3 red, 1 car; total, 3 cars.

Corn—No. 3 white, 22 cars; No. 4 white, 10 cars; No. 3 yellow, 9 cars; No. 4 yellow, 10 cars; No. 3 mixed, 5 cars; No. 4 mixed, 5 cars; ear, 1 car; total, 63 cars.

Oats—No. 2 white, 24 cars; No. 3 white, 8 cars; No. 4 white, 4 cars; sample white, 2 cars; No. 2 mixed, 1 car; total, 39 cars.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, 2 cars; standard timothy, 1 car; No. 1 clover mixed, 1 car; total, 4 cars.

Straw—No. 1 oats, 1 car.

WAGON MARKET.

The following are the Indianapolis prices of hay and grain by the wagon load:

Hay—Loose timothy, $32@33 a ton; mixed, $31@32; clover, $32@33.

Corn—$1.65@1.70 a bushel.

Oats—96@97c a bushel.

Straw—Wheat, $8@9 ton; oats, $14@15.

Chicago Strike Cuts Receipts of Stock

CHICAGO, March 29.—Because of the strike of 1,800 members of the Live Stock Handlers' union here, there were meager live stock receipts at Chicago stockyards today.

Hundreds of cars of stock were diverted to other markets during the night. Nearly all of the big packers practically stopped slaughtering at their plants.

Instead of the 19,000 cattle which should have arrived at the yards today, only 1,500 came in. Hog shipments fell from the expected 45,000 to 2,000, while only 8,000 of 15,000 sheep scheduled arrived.

A shutdown of packing house killing plants will be forced on packers here within the next thirty-six hours, union men stated, unless some agreement is reached.

CLEVELAND PRODUCE.

CLEVELAND, O., March 29.—Butter—Creamery in tubs, extra, 68½@69c; extra firsts, 67½@68c; firsts, 66½@67c; prints, 1c higher; seconds, 62@62½c.

Eggs—Northern extras, 47c; extra firsts, 46c; northern firsts, new cases, 45c; old cases, 44½c; southern and western firsts, new cases, 44½c; fresh gathered extras, 48c; firsts, 47c; new and old cases, 45c; western firsts, 44c.

Poultry—Capon chickens, 45@50c per pound; light fowls, 40@41c; extras, 43@45c; roosters, 24c; springers, 40@41c.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Butter—Receipts, 8432 tubs; creamery extra, 64½c; Firsts, 56@63½c; packing stock, 30c. Eggs—Receipts, 22,914 cases; ordinary firsts, 40½@41½c; firsts, 43½c; checks, 37@38c; dirties, 41c. Cheese—Twins, new, 28@28½c; daisies, 29@30c; young Americas, 30½@31c; longhorns, 30@30½c; brick, 27½@28c. Live poultry—Turkeys, 40c; chickens, 42c; springs, 39c; roosters, 26c; geese, 22c; ducks, 38c. Potatoes—Receipts, 44 cars; Minnesotas, Dakotas, Ohios, $6@6.10 per 100 lbs.

On Commission Row

Tomatoes are 50c crate lower, at $4@5 for six baskets.

Spanish onions quoted 40c higher basket of forty pounds. Now selling at $3.

Shallot green onions down 25c dozen bunches to $1.25. More coming in, dealers say.

Cabbage is ½c pound higher, at 6@6½c. Higher at shipping point and heavy demand, dealers state.

Texas spinach is 75c bushel lower. Now selling at $2.75. Dealers report quality not up to former shipments.

Florida oranges selling 50c box cheaper. Now priced at $7@7.50. Receipts have been more liberal, dealers report.

White onion sets are down 25c hundredweight to $4. Now selling on the same basis as the red and yellow.

Florida celery is 25c crate higher. Now quoted at $5@5.25. Shipments of good quality stock are dropping off, dealers assert.

Seed potatoes are selling 50c hundredweight higher. Red River Ohios now quoted at $7; Earl