

## Commercial and Financial News

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STEADY TONE MARKS  
OPENING OF LONDON  
EXCHANGE MARKET

British Financial Circles Regard Resumption of Trading as Indicating Strength of Empire.

BY HERBERT TEMPLE, Staff Correspondent The International News Service.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—After a suspension of five months, caused by the war, the London Stock Exchange reopened today for business on a restricted scale. There was a large attendance and the opening tone was airy steady, considering the prevailing conditions.

In British financial circles the resumption of the exchange at a time when Great Britain is in the midst of war, was regarded as an indication of the strong financial position of the empire.

The governors of the exchange issued a set of rules which will govern trading. A minimum price list was established upon which the quotations are equivalent to the minimum prices adopted by the governors of the New York Stock Exchange when it was re-opened recently.

NEW YORK EXCHANGE.

BY Leased Wire. NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Trading in securities on the stock exchange during the first fifteen minutes today was quiet. It showed little improvement in conditions that prevailed last week. Price movements were unimportant. A few specialties, however, were forced into prominence because of exceptional activity, with continued accumulation of Bethlehem steel making those issues the most conspicuous features.

The hesitation shown in the first half-hour was of short duration, and large buying orders in several of the leading issues resulted in large advances all around.

NEW YORK EXCHANGE  
STOCK QUOTATIONS

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TOLEDO GRAIN

TOLEDO, Jan. 4.—Wheat: Cash, \$1.33, May \$1.37.

Corn: Cash 72 1/4, May 77 1/2, July 78 1/2.

Oats: Cash 58 1/2, May 57 1/2.

Rye: No. 2, \$1.12 1/2.

Cloverseed: Prime cash \$9.60, February \$9.65, March \$9.70.

Corn: No. 2 mixed 69 1/2, No. 2 white 70 1/2, No. 2 yellow 69 1/2 @ 70, No. 3 milled 68 1/2 @ 68 1/2, No. 3 white 69 1/2, No. 3 yellow 68 1/2 @ 69 1/2, No. 4 white 68 1/2 @ 68 1/2, No. 4 yellow 68 1/2 @ 68 1/2.

WHEAT OPENS HIGH  
AND CLOSES HIGHER

[BY LEASED WIRE.] CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—May wheat opened at \$1.32 1/2, the highest price since the Joe Leiter corner years ago, and closed today at \$1.34 1/2, a clear gain of \$1 1/2 over Saturday's close. July closing at \$1.22, gained 2 1/2¢. The May did not touch \$1.34 just before the close, having fluctuated between \$1.32 and \$1.33 1/2 during the greater part of the day. Reports that today's export sales would exceed two million bushels were the final boosting factor in a day during which offerings at advancing prices were readily taken. Corn was 1 1/2¢ higher for the May and July options. May oats gained 1 1/2¢ and July 1 1/2¢. Provisions closed about 1 1/2¢ lower.

CHICAGO PROVISIONS  
AND GRAIN PRICES

	WHEAT	CORN	OATS	MEAT PORK	LARD	RIBS.	January	May
May	182 1/2	74 1/2	54 1/2	18.67	19.17	10.15	10.50	10.45
July	120 1/2	122 1/2	100 1/2	10.60	10.75	10.92	10.50	10.52
Open.								
Close								

## CHICAGO CASH

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—Wheat: No. 2 \$1.39 1/2 @ 1.31 1/2, No. 3 red \$1.28 1/2 @ 1.30 1/2, No. 3 hard winter \$1.29 1/2 @ 1.32 1/2, No. 3 hard winter \$1.28 1/2 @ 1.31 1/2, No. 3 northern spring \$1.29.

Corn: No. 2 mixed 69 1/2, No. 2 white 70 1/2, No. 2 yellow 69 1/2 @ 70, No. 3 milled 68 1/2 @ 68 1/2, No. 3 white 69 1/2, No. 3 yellow 68 1/2 @ 69 1/2, No. 4 white 68 1/2 @ 68 1/2, No. 4 yellow 68 1/2 @ 68 1/2.

Oats: No. 2 white 51 1/2 @ 52 1/2, No. 4 standard 51 1/2 @ 52.

CHICAGO PRODUCE

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—Butter: Receipts 7,181 tubs; creamery extras 34, extra firsts 32 1/2@33, firsts 27 1/2@30, packing stock 21 @21.

Eggs: Receipts 4,249 cases; current firsts 25 @ 34, ordinary firsts 31 @ 33, firsts 35, extras 30 @ 41, dirlies 16 @ 17.

Live Poultry: Turkeys 13 @ 14, chickens 11 1/2 @ 12, springers 12, roosters 10.

Potatoes: Receipts 28 cases; Wisconsin and Michigan white 40 @ 45.

NEW YORK PRODUCE

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Dressed Poultry: Quail; chickens 12 1/2 @ 15, fowls 12 1/2 @ 17, Live Poultry: Flock: chickens 14 @ 14 1/2, fowls 14 1/2 @ 16, turkeys 15, roosters 11 1/2.

Butter: Quail; creamery extras 32 1/2, creamy specials 34 1/2 @ 37, creamy firsts 30 @ 35 1/2, state dairy tubs 24 @ 25, process extras 26 @ 27.

Eggs: Flock: nearby fancy white 47 @ 49, nearby fancy brown 42 @ 42, extras 40 @ 41, firsts 37 @ 38.

OPPOSE HITCH RACK

Mrs. J. W. Toliver, J. H. Kinsey, A. G. Luken, Charles E. Potter and H. H. Englebert and eleven other owners of property from Main to South A street on Third, entered a remonstrance in commissioners' court today against placing hitch racks on South Third street surrounding the court house square.

WHITE HOUSE IN DENIAL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—White house officials declared today that they knew nothing of the reported sending of an envoy to Rome by the United States government in response to a plan for European peace. Secretary of State Bryan emphatically declared no such move was under consideration.

SOCIETY LEADER RETURNS AFTER YEAR  
WITH HEAD HUNTERS IN JOLO ISLAND

GRAIN MARKET

Corrected daily by Richmond Roller Mills, Phone 2019.) Wheat paying \$1.15, oats paying 40c, old corn paying 55, rye paying 75c.

FEED QUOTATIONS

Timothy hay, paying \$19. Rye straw, paying \$7.

Wheat straw, paying \$7.

Oats straw, paying \$7.

Oats, paying 50c.

Ne wcorn, paying 65c.

Red clover seed, paying \$7.50 to \$8.

Timothy seed, paying \$3.25 bushel.

Bran selling \$28 ton.

Middlings, selling \$30 ton.

Salt, \$1.40 barrel.

Clover hay, \$15.

PRODUCE

Corrected daily by Ed Cooper.

Old chickens dressed, paying 18c, selling 25c.

Young chickens dressed, paying 18c, selling 23c.

Country butter, paying 25 to 30c, selling 30c to 36c.

Eggs, paying 25c; selling 40c.

Country lard paying 11c; selling 18c.

Creamery butter, selling 36c.

COAL PRICES

(Quotations corrected daily by Hackman, Kefeth &amp; Co.)

Anthracite nut, \$8.60; Anthracite No. 4 and egg, \$8.35; Pocahontas lump or egg, \$7.75; Pocahontas mine run, \$4.50; Pocahontas slack, \$4.00; Jackson lump or egg, \$5.75; Winifred, \$4.75; Jewel, \$5.25; Tennessee, \$5.50; Hocking Valley, \$4.50; Indiana, \$3.75; coke, \$7; Winifred Washed pea, \$4.00; and slack, \$3.00.

INDIANAPOLIS LIVE STOCK

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 4.—Hogs: Receipts 17,000; market 10c lower; best hogs \$7.25; heavies \$7 and \$7.30; pigs \$6 and \$6.75; bulk of sales \$7 and \$7.15.

Cattle—Receipts 1,500; market 10c lower; heaves \$6 and \$6.75; cows and heifers \$3.50 and \$4.80; stockers and feeders \$4.50 and \$6.50; Texans \$6 and \$7.25.

Sheep—Receipts 30,000; market 10c lower; natives and westerns \$3.50 and \$6.75; lambs \$6.75 and \$8.85.

PITTSBURG LIVE STOCK

PITTSBURG, Jan. 4.—Cattle supply 100; market steady; choice steers \$9.15 and \$9.25; prime steers, \$8.75 and \$9.10; good steers \$8.25 and \$8.75; tallow butchers \$7.50 and \$8.25; common \$6 and \$6.50; common to fat bulls \$5.50 and \$7.50; common to fat cows \$4 and \$7.25; heifers \$6 and \$6.50; veal calves \$11 and \$11.50; heavy and thin calves \$7 and \$8.

Sheep and lamb supply—17; market strong; prime wethers \$6 and \$6.25; good \$5.50 and \$5.85; good mixed \$4.50 and \$5.25; fair mixed \$2.50 and \$3.50; culs and common \$6 and \$9.

Hogs—Receipts 90; market lower; prime hogs \$7.30; medium \$7.40 and \$7.45; heavy wethers \$7.40 and \$7.45; light wethers \$7.45 and \$7.50; pigs \$7.45 and \$7.50; roughts \$6.25 and \$6.60; stags \$6 and \$6.25; heavy mixed \$7.30 and \$7.35.

NO INFECTED HOGS  
KILLED IN CHICAGO

[BY LEASED WIRE.] CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—Dr. W. N. H. Neal, government inspector in charge of the Union Stockyards, today branded as absurd charges that hogs infected with cholera were being slaughtered, and other irregularities permitted at some of the smaller packing houses here. Owners of the small plants showed anger at the charges, calling them part of a campaign to help the big fellows. "The packing industry in Chicago is absolutely pure," said Dr. Neal.

RICHMOND MARKETS

GLEN MILLER PRICES  
HOGS.

Heavies ..... \$6.85

Heavy wethers ..... \$6.85

Light wethers ..... \$6.50

Pigs ..... \$5.75 and \$6.25

Best steers ..... \$7.00

Good cows ..... \$5.00 and \$6.00

Bulls ..... \$4.50 and \$5.00

Canneries ..... \$2.50 and \$3.50

Lives ..... \$6.50 for Saturday delivery.

EXPOSURE CAUSES  
DOCTORS TO RUSH  
KAISER TO BERLIN

[BY LEASED WIRE.] AMSTERDAM, Jan. 4.—A Maestricht dispatch reports that Emperor William has suffered a relapse as a result of exposure in a visit to a point on the flanders battle front and that he is being rushed back to Berlin on the imperial train. It states that all military trains were side tracked to give the Emperor's train the right of way and traffic between Liege and Aix La Chapelle was held up for ten hours.

HEARING ON RATE  
SET FOR FEB. 15

[BY LEASED WIRE.] WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Hearings for the advance rate will begin Monday, February 15, before Commissioner Daniels in the federal building in Chicago, the interstate commerce commission announced today.

The hearing will be divided in sections. From February 15 until February 18, the time will be given to the railroads to offer evidence in support of their general claim for increased rates, but not in support of particular rates. From March 15 until March 18 the shippers and protestants in the case will be given an opportunity to present their evidence in opposition to the proposed increases.

CREDITORS' AID BUREAU.

There are two possibilities that may be developed: one, that the county commissioners authorize the township trustee to grant more than \$1 a week relief to a family; and second, that more emergency employment be created. If it were not for the kindness of landlords and store keepers who extend credit to their tenants and customers, the Central Bureau would be swamped with applicants.

Secretary Melpolder reported that 140 families and 524 individuals have been helped in the following ways:

Groceries to 420 persons, clothing to 143 persons; shoes to seventy; bedding to forty-nine; household goods to fourteen; fuel to 150; rent paid for seven; meals and lodging for twelve; transportation for thirty-six.

REPORT SHOWS AID.

The report is divided into several parts, organization and equipment, cooperation, education, investigations, constructive relief work, social service and general finances.

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The financial report shows that the bureau is still \$2,000 short of the amount it set out to raise. It has received \$3,500 and has a cash balance of \$1,388, and total resources of \$2,408, including the unpaid pledges.

A report of the Associated Charities shows that operating expenses have been decreased, and the relief expenditures have been increased. The report follows:

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