

# ALL WHEAT FIRMER

Market Strengthened by Sharp Advance in East.

## FULL EFFECT IS NOT FELT

Operations in Northwest Hindered by Traffic Conditions and Failure of Eastern Cash Prices to Keep Pace With Options.

There was an underlying current of strength in the Northwestern wheat market yesterday. Prices were not altered materially, but the feeling was firmer throughout. This was due to the wide advance in Chicago options, which in the case of Dec. 20, were up 10 cents to 12 cents. The Chinese buying was reported to heavy export business and to a report that Great Britain had commanded steamer to assist in moving grain from the Atlantic Coast. Private advice to local firms, however, did not indicate any easing of the weight situation in the Atlantic.

The Pacific Northwest was in a position to take advantage of the Chicago advance, because as railroad traffic conditions across the continent have not improved yet. Furthermore, there was a slackening up of the Eastern milling demand. Cash prices, which were 2 to 3 cents above Chicago options last week and two weeks ago, were up again as 7 to 8 cents above options yesterday, according to private wires, and were about on a par with the option market.

Country advice told of but little business in wheat, with farmers holding firm as on the close of last week. At the Merchants' Exchange bids for December wheat were unchanged, December forty-fifth was 10 cents higher, and December, present, 10 cents higher. May and June futures ranged from unchanged to 1 cent over Saturday. The red wheat market followed practically the same course.

Terminal receipts in cars were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows:

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