

The Farmers' Market

WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

(Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, April 16, 1917.)

Wheat—New high records were made in wheat prices last week and closing prices on Saturday showed May futures in the Winnipeg market only 1 cent below the high mark. As is natural at these levels, the markets are nervous and subject to rapid fluctuations, making it difficult to execute market orders and consequently the volume is greatly curtailed. Although the lack of moisture has been relieved in the winter wheat areas, the distant months only have been affected. Nearby months are showing continued strength, influenced by light offerings, a very strong cash demand to the south and possibly congestion in Chicago. May. Reports from the lakes indicate that the opening of navigation will not take place before the first of May.

Oats—Oats prices have refused to follow the advance in wheat, and Saturday's close for May oats is only 1 cent higher than a week ago.

Flax—Flax prices are going strong and show a gain of 16 cents for the week. New high levels have been made in this grain also. Reports say that the Argentine crop is a failure and crushing interests are competing strongly for offerings in the American and Winnipeg markets.

WINNIPEG FUTURES							
Wheat—	May	July	Oct.	No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.33	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.30
April 10	208	204	171	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.33	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.32
April 11	208	204	171	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.33	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.32
April 12	211	208	173	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.33	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.32
April 13	215	210	173	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.33	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.32
April 14	218	212	174	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.33	No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	2.32
April 15	228	221	178	No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	2.30	No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	2.28
April 16	206	202	171	No. 3 wheat, 1 car	2.28	No. 3 wheat, 1 car	2.26
Year ago	113	113	109	No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	2.22	No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	2.20
Oats—				No. 3 wheat, 1 car	2.25	No. 3 wheat, 1 car	2.23
April 10	67	65		Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.75	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83
April 11	67	65		Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83
April 12	68	66		Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83
April 13	68	66		Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83
April 14	69	67		Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83
April 15	70	68	60	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83
April 16	70	68	60	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.83
Week ago	67	65		Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.84	Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.84
Year ago	44	43		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
Flax—				No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
April 10	281	284		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
April 11	281	283		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
April 12	285	287		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
April 13	289	292		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
April 14	296	299		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
April 15	300	302		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
April 16	300	302		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.08
Week ago	285	288		No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.12	No. 4 wheat, 1 car	2.12
Year ago	187	188		Sample grade durum wheat, 1 car	1.50	Sample grade durum wheat, 1 car	1.79

MINNEAPOLIS CASH SALES							
(Sample Market, April 14)							
No. 1 hard wheat, 2 cars			\$2.24	No. 4 hard winter wheat, 1 car	2.27	No. 4 hard winter wheat, 1 car	2.27
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars			2.38	No. 3 hard winter wheat, 1 car	2.28	No. 3 hard winter wheat, 1 car	2.28
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car			2.39	No. 2 hard winter wheat, 1 car	2.30	No. 2 hard winter wheat, 1 car	2.30
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car			2.39	Sample oats, 1 car	65	Sample oats, 1 car	67
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car			2.39	No. 3 white oats, 2 cars	67	No. 3 white oats, 2 cars	67

LIVESTOCK		Winnipeg		Toronto		Calgary		Chicago		St. Paul	
		April 14	Year Ago	April 13	Year Ago	April 14	Year Ago	April 11	Year Ago	April 11	Year Ago
Cattle											
Choice steers	10.50-11.00	7.25-8.25	10.75-11.50	9.75-10.00	12.00-13.25	10.00-11.00	10.00-11.00	10.00-11.00	10.00-11.00	10.00-11.00	10.00-11.00
Best butcher steers	9.75-10.25	6.25-7.50	9.75-10.25	6.25-7.50	9.75-10.25	6.25-7.50	9.75-10.25	6.25-7.50	9.75-10.25	6.25-7.50	9.75-10.25
Fair to good butcher steers	8.50-9.50	5.25-6.00	8.50-9.50	5.25-6.00	8.50-9.50	5.25-6.00	8.50-9.50	5.25-6.00	8.50-9.50	5.25-6.00	8.50-9.50
Good to choice fat cows	7.50-8.50	4.25-5.00	7.50-8.50	4.25-5.00	7.50-8.50	4.25-5.00	7.50-8.50	4.25-5.00	7.50-8.50	4.25-5.00	7.50-8.50
Medium to good cows	6.00-7.00	3.25-4.00	6.00-7.00	3.25-4.00	6.00-7.00	3.25-4.00	6.00-7.00	3.25-4.00	6.00-7.00	3.25-4.00	6.00-7.00
Common cows	4.00-5.50	2.25-3.00	4.00-5.50	2.25-3.00	4.00-5.50	2.25-3.00	4.00-5.50	2.25-3.00	4.00-5.50	2.25-3.00	4.00-5.50
Cansters	3.75-4.25	2.50-3.75	3.75-4.25	2.50-3.75	3.75-4.25	2.50-3.75	3.75-4.25	2.50-3.75	3.75-4.25	2.50-3.75	3.75-4.25
Good to choice heifers	10.00-10.50	6.75-7.50	10.25-11.50	7.50-8.25	9.85-11.50	8.00-9.50	8.00-9.50	8.00-9.50	8.00-9.50	8.00-9.50	8.00-9.50
Fair to good heifers	8.00-9.00	5.50-6.50	9.75-10.25	6.75-7.50	9.75-10.25	6.75-7.50	9.75-10.25	6.75-7.50	9.75-10.25	6.75-7.50	9.75-10.25
Best cash	7.50-8.50	5.25-6.25	7.50-8.50	5.25-6.25	7.50-8.50	5.25-6.25	7.50-8.50	5.25-6.25	7.50-8.50	5.25-6.25	7.50-8.50
Best butcher heifers	7.00-8.00	5.25-5.75	7.00-8.00	5.25-5.75	7.00-8.00	5.25-5.75	7.00-8.00	5.25-5.75	7.00-8.00	5.25-5.75	7.00-8.00
Common to bologna heifers	5.50-6.50	4.00-5.00	6.00-7.25	4.25-5.50	6.75-8.25	5.00-6.50	5.00-6.50	5.00-6.50	5.00-6.50	5.00-6.50	5.00-6.50
Fair to good feeder steers	6.50-7.75	4.75-5.75	6.50-7.75	4.75-5.75	6.50-7.75	4.75-5.75	6.50-7.75	4.75-5.75	6.50-7.75	4.75-5.75	6.50-7.75
Best stocker steers	6.50-7.50	6.00-6.75	6.50-7.50	6.00-6.75	6.50-7.50	6.00-6.75	6.50-7.50	6.00-6.75	6.50-7.50	6.00-6.75	6.50-7.50
Best milkers and springers											
(each)	\$75-\$100	\$65-\$80	\$80-\$95	\$85-\$100							
Fair milkers and springers											
(each)	\$50-\$75	\$45-\$55	\$50-\$75	\$55-\$75							
Hogs											
Choice hogs, fed and											
watered	\$15.50	\$10.95	16.00-16.75	\$15.00	16.00-16.40	15.00-16.40	15.00-16.40	15.00-16.40	15.00-16.40	15.00-16.40	15.00-16.40
Light hogs	12.00-13.00	8.25-8.75	15.00-15.75	\$14.00	15.25-15.90	13.00-13.50	13.00-13.50	13.00-13.50	13.00-13.50	13.00-13.50	13.00-13.50
Heavy hogs	10.00-11.00	8.25-8.75	\$14.00								
Stage	6.00-7.50	5.50-7.00	\$13.00								
Sheep and Lambs											
Choice lambs	11.75-12.25	8.00-9.00	14.50-15.50	13.00-13.50	15.40-15.70	8.00-14.50	8.00-14.50	8.00-14.50	8.00-14.50	8.00-14.50	8.00-14.50
Best killing sheep	8.50-9.25	7.00-7.50	10.50-11.00	9.50-10.75	12.50-13.00	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.00

COUNTRY PRODUCE		Winnipeg		Calgary		Toronto		Regina		Saskatoon	
		April 14	Year Ago	Mar. 31	Year Ago	Mar. 31	Year Ago	Mar. 31	Year Ago	Mar. 24	Year Ago
Butter (per lb.)											
No. 1 dairy		30c	24c-25c	36c	35c-37c	35c	35c	35c	35c	35c	35c
Eggs (per doz.)											
New laid		30c	19c-20c	37c-40c	30c	42c	35c	35c	35c	35c	35c
Potatoes											
In sacks, per bushel		1.25	65c-75c	\$1.25	\$2.50	\$1.25	90c-1.10				
Milk and Cream											
Sweet cream (per lb. fat)		30c	27c								
Cream for butter-making		43c	32c								
Dressed Poultry											
Spring chickens			17c		20c-21c	20c-21c	20c-21c	20c-21c	20c-21c	20c-21c	20c-21c
Chickens			17c		21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c
Ducks			20c		21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c
Geese			20c		21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c
Turkeys			23c		21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c	21c-22c
Hay (per ton)											
No. 2 Timothy			No. 1's		No. 1's		No. 1's		No. 1's		No. 1's
No. 2 Timothy		\$12	\$12-\$14		\$12-\$14		\$12-\$14		\$12-\$14		\$12-\$14
No. 2 Mediana			\$15-\$17		\$15-\$17		\$15-\$17		\$15-\$17		\$15-\$17

Cash Prices Fort William and Port Arthur from April 19 to April 16 inclusive

WHEAT		OATS		BARLEY		FLAX	
Date	1" 2"	1" 2"	1" 2"	1" 2"	1" 2"	1" 2"	1" 2"
April 10	210	204	190	171	141	108	87
11	208	204	188	169	139	106	85
12	211	208	191	174	144	110	88
13	215	210	197	178	148	111	89
14	218	212	200	181	151	112	90
15	228	221	209	190	158	113	91
16	206	202	200	189	157	112	90
Week	206	202	200	189	157	112	90
Year	206	202	200	189	157	112	90
Age	113	113	109	90	88	82	44

No. 4 white oats, 1 car	65
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	67
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	67
No. 2 rye, 1 car	1.88
No. 3 rye, 1 car, dockage	1.90
No. 3 rye, 1 car, dockage	1.89
No. 6 barley, 1 car	1.25
No. 4 barley, 1 car	1.26
No. 5 barley, 1 car	1.25
Sample barley, 2 cars	1.25
No. 1 flax, 2 cars	2.39
No. 1 flax, 1 car	3.21
No. 1 flax, 1 car	3.26

INTERIOR TERMINAL ELEVATOR STOCKS

Movement of grain in interior terminal elevators for the week ending Wednesday, April 11, was as follows—

Elevator	Grain	Rec'd during week	Ship'd during week	Now in store
Saskatoon				
"	Wheat	312,726.30	337,146.40	1,678,797.50
"	Oats	85,530.30	82,010.24	666,213.18
"	Barley	2,861.32	1,313.34	31,664.28
"	Flax	20,477.38		157,367.33
Moos Jaw				
"	Wheat	88,270.50	9,492.50	2,152,063.50
"	Oats	21,411.16	17,643.08	747,381.12
"	Barley			24,083.19
"	Flax	353.11		102,318.21
Calgary				
"	Wheat	11,718.00	83,487.00	862,783.00
"	Oats	19,335.00	35,427.00	1,236,548.00
"	Barley			114,976.00
"	Flax			12,206.00