

### CORN RISES WITH JUMP IN STERLING

#### Shortage of Feed Barley in the Northwest Strengthens Oats.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Strength developed in the corn market today, owing largely to a notable advance in sterling, as change. The close was firm, 1/2c to 1/4c net higher, with January 1 1/2c and May 1 1/2c to 1 1/4c. Oats gained 1/4c to 1/2c in provisions, the outcome varied from 1/2c decline to a rise of 40c.

### ON CHICAGO MARKET

Fughes, Harcourt & Co., 307 Royal Bank building, received the following wire at the close of the Chicago market yesterday: Corn has moved within a comparatively narrow range, with the trend uncertain. There was little in the news to influence prices much either way, and probably the most important feature was the decision of the supreme court, that wartime prohibition remains. The scarcity of cars and the fact that railroads are rushed to capacity hauling more important commodities indicates that there will be a great rush for several weeks. Foreign exchange rates have shown a better tone.

### U. S. WINTER WHEAT

Washington, Dec. 15.—The winter wheat crop totals 38,770,000 acres, the crop estimate bureau of the agricultural department announced today, which is 22.2 per cent. less than the revised estimate area counted in the fall of 1918.

The condition of the crop on Dec. 1, 1919, was 85.2 per cent. normal, as compared with 98.5 per cent. Dec. 1, 1918, and 89.5 per cent. over a ten-year average.

### CHICAGO MARKETS

J. P. Bickell & Co., Standard Bank Building, report the following trade of the Chicago Board of Trade:

	Open	High	Low	Close
<b>Corn</b>				
May	139 1/2	139 1/2	139 1/2	139 1/2
July	137 1/2	137 1/2	137 1/2	137 1/2
Sept.	135 1/2	135 1/2	135 1/2	135 1/2
Dec.	133 1/2	133 1/2	133 1/2	133 1/2
<b>Oats</b>				
May	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
July	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
Sept.	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Dec.	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2
<b>Barley</b>				
May	34.00	34.10	33.55	34.05
July	32.00	32.00	31.55	32.00
Sept.	30.00	30.00	29.55	30.00
Dec.	28.00	28.00	27.55	28.00
<b>Ribbed</b>				
May	18.55	18.67	18.37	18.67
July	17.50	17.50	17.37	17.50

### NEW YORK COTTON

J. P. Bickell & Co., 802-7 Standard Bank Building, report New York Cotton Exchange fluctuations as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Jan.	35.50	35.50	34.50	35.50
Mar.	33.40	33.38	33.05	33.25
May	31.90	32.20	31.60	32.05
July	30.40	30.70	30.20	30.45
Sept.	28.35	28.48	27.95	28.40
Dec.	26.50	27.00	26.35	26.50

### WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—Oats closed 1/4c to 1/2c higher; barley 3/4c to 1/2c higher; flax 1/2c lower to unchanged, and rye 1/4c to 3/4c higher. Quotations: Oats—No. 1, 88 1/2c; No. 2, 88 1/2c; No. 3, 88 1/2c; No. 4, 88 1/2c; No. 5, 88 1/2c; No. 6, 88 1/2c; No. 7, 88 1/2c; No. 8, 88 1/2c; No. 9, 88 1/2c; No. 10, 88 1/2c; No. 11, 88 1/2c; No. 12, 88 1/2c; No. 13, 88 1/2c; No. 14, 88 1/2c; No. 15, 88 1/2c; No. 16, 88 1/2c; No. 17, 88 1/2c; No. 18, 88 1/2c; No. 19, 88 1/2c; No. 20, 88 1/2c; No. 21, 88 1/2c; No. 22, 88 1/2c; No. 23, 88 1/2c; No. 24, 88 1/2c; No. 25, 88 1/2c; No. 26, 88 1/2c; No. 27, 88 1/2c; No. 28, 88 1/2c; No. 29, 88 1/2c; No. 30, 88 1/2c; No. 31, 88 1/2c; No. 32, 88 1/2c; No. 33, 88 1/2c; No. 34, 88 1/2c; No. 35, 88 1/2c; No. 36, 88 1/2c; No. 37, 88 1/2c; No. 38, 88 1/2c; No. 39, 88 1/2c; No. 40, 88 1/2c; No. 41, 88 1/2c; No. 42, 88 1/2c; No. 43, 88 1/2c; No. 44, 88 1/2c; No. 45, 88 1/2c; No. 46, 88 1/2c; No. 47, 88 1/2c; No. 48, 88 1/2c; No. 49, 88 1/2c; No. 50, 88 1/2c; No. 51, 88 1/2c; No. 52, 88 1/2c; No. 53, 88 1/2c; No. 54, 88 1/2c; No. 55, 88 1/2c; No. 56, 88 1/2c; No. 57, 88 1/2c; No. 58, 88 1/2c; No. 59, 88 1/2c; 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