

Wheat Markets Steady; Feed Grains Higher

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Domestic wheat markets held generally steady during the week ending May 9, while feed grain prices made moderate advances at most points, according to the weekly grain market review of the United States bureau of agricultural economics. Rye was independently firm on small offerings and flax held steady under an active crusher inquiry for current offerings. Indications of increased takings by deficit areas during the next few months, together with uncertain prospects for spring sown grain, were strengthening factors in the wheat market and largely offset the weakening influence of the favorable prospects for winter wheat and the relatively large supplies of old crop grain still remaining in the principal exporting countries.

The domestic winter wheat crop continues to make favorable growth and is becoming into the boot stage in Southern areas of Kansas. The condition on May 1 was reported at the high figure of 90.3 per cent of normal, which compares with a ten year average condition of 82.1 per cent. This condition indicates a crop of about 62,000,000 bushels, or 48-50,000,000 bushels more than was produced in 1930. Considered by classes, a crop of approximately 49,000,000 bushels of hard winter wheat is indicated, which is about 12 per cent more than was produced in 1930. The probable crop of soft red winter wheat is about 24,000,000 bushels, or 5 per cent above last season, and fall-sown crops of white wheat about 40,000,000 bushels, or slightly below the amount produced in 1930.

European conditions. Conditions of winter wheat in Europe continue generally favorable, with prospects in most countries about average, although somewhat less favorable than at the corresponding date a year ago. Winter killing in Germany is reported to be about normal, with the condition of the winter wheat crop slightly above average, but somewhat below a year ago. The French wheat acreage is placed at 12,480,000 acres, as compared with 12,300,000 acres last year and 12,750,000 acres in 1929, when the largest crop of recent years was harvested. The condition of the crop in that country this season is considerably below that of May 1 a year ago, but is somewhat better than in May, 1929.

Spring wheat seeding has been practically completed throughout the domestic spring wheat area and many of the earlier sown fields are up, with stands and color generally good, according to trade reports. Recent rains have been favorable for growth, but sub-soil moisture is still deficient. Rains in Canada during the week improved seeding conditions in the prairie provinces, but more rain is also needed in that area. The seeding of spring wheat in Russia has been retarded by cool, wet weather and the percentage of the seeding plan completed up to April 25 was much less than last year. The acreage of spring wheat intended to be seeded, according to the Russian plan, is reported at 60,000,000 acres or nearly 10,000,000 acres more than were seeded in 1930.

World stocks heavier. World stocks of wheat appear to be considerably heavier than a year ago, with decreases in stocks of native wheat in deficit areas, more than offset by larger supplies still remaining in exporting countries. Data on wheat stocks April 1, for the four principal exporting countries, United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia, indicate an increase of nearly 175,000,000 bushels over those of last season. Stocks of wheat in the United States April 1 totaled approximately 490,000,000 bushels, or around 40,000,000 bushels more than a year ago, while stocks in Canada totaled about 275,000,000 bushels, or nearly 60,000,000 bushels more than April 1, 1930. Supplies in the southern hemisphere were about 85,000,000 bushels larger than a year ago. In addition to these supplies, increases over stocks a year ago appear probable in Russia and the countries of the lower Danube.

Continental port stocks in the principal importing areas in Europe at the first of April were nearly three times as large as last year and amounted to around 10,000,000 bushels. United Kingdom port stocks at the first of April totaled about 12,500,000 bushels, compared with 13,040,000 bushels in 1930. Stocks on ocean passage April 1 were about 19,000,000 bushels greater than in the previous year, combining stocks in exporting countries at the first of April, with European port stocks and stocks on ocean passage, supplies in these positions were approximately 200,000,000 bushels greater than at the corresponding date a year ago. The increase in surplus areas however, is partially offset by smaller stocks of native wheat in deficit areas. Little statistical data is available as to supplies in importing countries, but official and trade reports indicate unusually large stocks of native wheat. Farm stocks in Germany at the middle of March totaled only 12,000,000 bushels, as against 2,000,000 bushels in 1930, while stocks of German rye, which is an important substitute for wheat as a bread grain in that country, were about 22,000,000 bushels less than a year ago. Stocks of wheat on farm in England and Wales as the first of April amounted to about 7,000,000 bushels, as against 8,200,000 bushels last year.

Cost Market Barley Steady. Pacific coast wheat markets were barely steady at Portland and Seattle, but slightly firmer in California. Supplies of wheat in the Pacific Northwest are still heavy and movement from interior points to seaboard continues large. Demand from domestic mills remained dull, as flour buyers were taking only sufficient flour for current requirements. Inquiry from export mills was of only moderate volume as export flour sales were small. Export demand for wheat was also dull and export business for the week amounted to only 1,000 tons to the United Kingdom, according to trade report. Inquiry from California continued to provide a fairly good outlet for wheat and shipments from Columbia river and Puget Sound points to California for the season to date, have totaled nearly 3,500,000 bushels, compared with slightly less than 3,000,000 bushels shipped to that state during the corresponding period last year. Flour shipments to California this season have been about 100,000 barrels larger than for the same period last year. Prices of cash wheat at Portland and Seattle held practically unchanged from a week ago.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK. CHICAGO, May 11 (U. S. D. C.)—Hogs 38,000; bulk 180-210 lb. average \$7.10-\$7.25. Cattle 17,000; calves 2,000; slaughter cattle and vealers: steers 600-1,100 lbs. \$6.75-\$6.80; Vealers good and choice \$7.50-\$8.00; medium \$6.50-\$7.50. Sheep 14,000; better grade woolled lambs \$9.25-\$9.50; few clipppers \$8.00-\$8.25; natives \$11.00-\$12.00; cull standing clipped ewes \$3.40; lambs 90 lbs. down, good and choice \$9.00-\$9.25; medium \$8.25-\$9.00; 91-100 lbs. medium to choice \$8.10-\$9.75; all weights, common \$7.00-\$8.25.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT. LIVERPOOL, May 11 (U. S. D. C.)—Wheat: May 67½; July 67½; October 65½.

MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
May (old)	82½	82½	82½	82½@83
July (new)	84½	84½	84½	84½
Sept.	83½@84	83½	83½	83½@84
Dec.	66@66½	66½	65½	65½@66

PORTLAND WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
May	58	58	58	58
July	58½	58½	57½	57½
Sept.	58	58	57½	57½

FEW CHANGES REPORTED IN OREGON MARK

PORTLAND, May 11 (A) — Early trading conditions and prices were unchanged today in wholesale butter and egg markets. Butter receipts were barely sufficient for a good demand and buyers continued active on shipping accounts. Local storage holdings were increased 6.5 per cent at close of the last week.

Tone of the egg market remained weakened by liberal receipts. Result was more price shading to move ordinary stocks. Western storage holdings stood at 29,000 cases, 14.3 per cent more than a week earlier and 13.2 per cent less than a year back. Retail quotations remained barely steady in the country dressed meat and poultry trade. Liberal poultry receipts were being fairly sought up by retailers but coolers were crowded with hold over hogs, calves and lambs.

Fresh fruit and vegetable wholesale found a brisk early demand for all lines at steady quotations. Market supply of California early strawberries was small, effecting the price of first quality berries up 50 cents a 20 pint crate above last week's top to \$3.50.

Fresh arrivals from California shipping centers included cantaloupe, quoted from \$6.00-\$8.00 for crates of 33 and 45, and cauliflower priced at \$2.10 a crate.

BUTTERFAT. SAN FRANCISCO, May 11 (U. S. D. C.)—Butterfat: f. o. b. San Francisco 25c.

DENVER GANG CAPTURED AT STORE "JOB" (Continued from Page One)

behind a showcase in the store. A fusillade of shots swept through the first floor of the store and one of the yeggs was trapped after his companions had blown a safe in the basement and started work on another.

A watchman opened a side door to admit Max Guidman, office manager, with the day's mail. As Guidman started in the door, the three armed men followed him. Guidman did several other things who were working clearing up details of a Saturday sale, were rounded up by the gunmen.

Strategy of John Rudden, watchman, tipped off the robbery attempt. Although covered by the gun of one of the burglars, who forced him to spike the rounds of his house, Rudden managed to pull a secret burglar alarm. A few minutes later police were pounding at the doors.

For more than an hour the three men terrorized the employees, sought unsuccessfully to learn the combination to the two safes and were finally captured with the arrival of scores of police.

Hundreds of people gathered in the street, a prominent corner in the center of retail trade district. The sound of sirens and clanging of ambulances bells broke the Sabbath silence as police mobilized and surrounded the establishment.

Ryan, the "soup" man of the trio, blew open the small safe and placed a charge against a larger one. Bostelman forced the watchman to make the round of his boxes while Gray took charge of the assembled employees, according to the police version of the affair.

HONOR MOTHERS SUNDAY, MAY 10 (Continued from Page One)

for being the oldest mother present. 77 years old, Mrs. Dwight Fishman was the youngest mother and had the youngest baby; and Mrs. Pyle received a floral piece for having the largest family present, a family of eight, all of whom are in the school.

Gov. Long's Niece to Wed

Miss Caledonia Cooper, above, niece of Governor Huey Long of Louisiana, will be given away by the governor when she is married to Jackson H. Broussard, May 4, in the executive mansion at Baton Rouge. It will be the first marriage held there. Miss Cooper is related to Governor Myers Cooper of Ohio.

Livestock Show Boosters Visit County Towns

By W. V. Connor (Observer Correspondent)

UNION, Ore. (Special) — Tony D. Smith, secretary of the Eastern Oregon Stock Show, accompanied by County Agent Avery and "Jimmy" Mills, of Cove, was out on a booster trip into adjoining counties Friday.

Friday the eighth grade pupils and their teachers, Mrs. Nellie Vaden, plunked at Cove, enjoying the swimming pool most of the day. Mrs. Elizabeth Vogel also accompanied them.

The same day Mrs. Mills and her seventh and eighth graders were here from Cove to hold a joint picnic with the seventh grade class from the Union school. The day was spent at Goodbrod Lake and boat riding was the chief amusement of the children.

Mrs. Clara Lee, who underwent an appendix operation at Hot Lake last week, is still in a very serious condition.

Mrs. Charley Hancock, of Cove, was in Union Friday night and attended the freshman play.

Friday afternoon the grade schools were closed and five of the teachers, Mrs. Maude Rice, Misses Margaret Turner, Loretta Gorman, Rosalee Burns and Margaret Busick, went to La Grande to visit the various buildings and see the grade art display of the La Grande schools. The Union school will hold their art exhibit Tuesday afternoon, May 12.

The boys belonging to the Epworth League, having enjoyed several socials given by the girls of the organization, decided it was their turn to entertain. They held a social at the home of Victor Gamble Saturday evening and the girls all voted it one of the best of the year. Chicken pie, cake, ice cream and punch were some of the refreshments which the boys somehow managed to provide for the event.

Bucalaurante exercises were held for the graduating class of the Union High school at the Methodist church Sunday evening. Rev. R. C. Lee gave the address to the class.

George Goodard, building a bungalow on his property at Goodbrod lake. The new building will be just south of the miniature golf course which he has built.

Friday night the freshman class of the Union High school presented their first high school play, the play being a three-act drama entitled "The Heart of Man".

Following the annual junior-senior banquet at the Union hotel, a dance under the auspices of the High school alumni will be given for the two classes at the gym. This will be Monday night, May 11.

Mrs. Emily Cook will have charge of the city library during the school vacation while the librarian, Mrs. William Campbell is away from Union.

Rev. Henry Young, past grand master of the I. O. O. F. and Mrs. Young, California, came to Union and stopped a while to visit with Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Denton, who left Union for Lubbock, Mo., last fall are back again. They did not like the conditions in the middle west and will try to locate here. Mr. Denton is a telegraph operator.

Mrs. Price, Mrs. John Richards and Mrs. Toule came over from Cove Friday and plunked with the Cove and Union children at Goodbrod Lake.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK. PORTLAND, May 11 (A) — Cattle 1405, including 200 through calves 190; active, matured classes mostly 25 cents or more higher. Steers 600-900 lbs. good \$7.50-\$8.00, medium \$6.75-\$7.00, common \$5.00-\$5.75; 900-1100 lbs. good \$7.00-\$7.50, medium \$6.50-\$7.25, common \$5.75-\$6.50; 1100-1300 lbs. good \$7.00-\$7.50, medium \$6.00-\$7.00, Heifers 500-800 lbs. good \$7.25-\$7.75, medium \$6.25-\$7.75, common \$5.25-\$6.25. Cows, good \$5.50-\$6.00, medium \$6.25-\$7.75, common \$5.25-\$6.25. Cows, good \$5.75-\$6.00, common and medium \$4.75-\$5.75. Low cutter and cutter \$2.50-\$4.75. Bulls (yearlings excluded) \$5.00-\$6.50, cutter, common \$4.00-\$5.00, medium \$3.75-\$5.00. Vealers, milk \$6.00-\$6.50, medium \$7.00-\$8.50, cull and common \$4.50-\$7.00. Calves 250-500 lbs. good and choice \$7.00-\$8.50, common and medium \$4.00-\$7.00.

Hogs 1000, including 80 through active, slaughter classes 25c higher than last week's close. (Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded). Light weight 160-200 lbs. \$7.75-\$8.00; 180-200 lbs. \$7.75-\$8.00. Medium weight 200-220 lbs. good and choice \$8.00-\$8.50, medium \$7.50-\$8.00, and choice \$6.50-\$7.50. Heavy weights 250-300 lbs. good and choice \$8.00-\$8.50, medium \$7.50-\$8.00, and choice \$6.50-\$7.50. Packing sows 275-300 lbs. medium and good \$5.00-\$6.00. Feeder and stocker pigs 70-130 lbs. good and choice \$7.50-\$9.00.

Sheep 665, active, fully steady. 1000, including 140-160 lbs. \$7.00-\$8.00. Spring lambs 100 lbs. down, all weights, common \$5.50-\$6.50. Yearling ewes 100-120 lbs. medium to choice \$6.50-\$7.50. Ewes 90-120 lbs. medium to choice \$2.50-\$3.00; 120-150 lbs. medium to choice \$2.00-\$2.75, all weights, cull and common \$1.00-\$2.00.

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Cove Children Attend Picnic At Union Lake

By Mrs. Leona Prite (Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore. (Special) — All but one of the pupils of the seventh and eighth grades attended the picnic at Union as guests of the Union seventh grade. During the forenoon the young folk became acquainted, rowed on the lake, played miniature golf, baseball and other games. After the picnic dinner a short program was given by the Union boys and girls, using numbers which had been given at their monthly programs during the nine months of school.

The program opened with a song by Virgil Anderson, followed by a comic reading by Niola Anderson. Sylvian Tibball and King Spain sang "The Strawberry Moon." Maxine Jory gave two readings in dialect and the "Tramp Song" was sung by Edna Tartar, Leatha Watts, Lucia Bassett and Maxine Jory. Albert McClellan gave a reading and three or four plays were given by Marion Busick, King Spain, Sylvian Baker, Niola Anderson and Lucia Bassett. The program closed with the class room read by Mr. Connor. The program was followed by races which included a wheelbarrow race, turtle race, centipede race, the race, summersault race and three-legged race. Besides the regular sprints. Each winner drew a prize package. The four car loads of Cove young people were unanimous in their reports of good time. They state that W. V. Connor

and his seventh graders are perfect hosts.

Mrs. Haskell Bloom and daughter, Beulah May, who have been visiting at North Powder with Mrs. Bloom's parents are returning Sunday.

Miss Thelma Anderson, who has been ill of quinsy for several days is unable to be in school. As her classes are ahead of the schedule and they are doing review work, her brother, Logan Jr., is teaching for her. Miss Anderson carefully outlines each day's work for him.

Dr. Frank Bloom, of Seattle, visited his relatives in Cove, arriving Wednesday and leaving Thursday. Dr. Bloom recently had the misfortune of seriously injuring his arm when a gun accidentally went off, tearing the elbow joint off. It was feared he would lose his arm, but the wound has healed and it is thought that later bone surgery may be used to give him partial use of the arm.

The program to be given Thursday at the Women's club meeting is "Oregon Poets" and will be given over largely to local talent. Among those who will give readings from their own works are Mrs. Juliet F. Danberry, Mrs. Helen Lincoln, Mrs. Lydia Lantz, Mrs. Nellie R. Grace, J. B. Love, L. M. Carter, and Clarence Clark. Selections will also be read from the works of Miss Ida Roberts which her sister, Mrs. Grace, has been preparing for publication.

Wool Market. BOSTON, May 11 (A) — Business on wool is slow but sentiment among members of the trade shows more confidence than a week ago as the result of an increasing interest in offerings on the part of wool manufacturers. Ideas on prices still are inclined to be bullish on 56's and 48-50's domestic wools on which at present trading is very light. Receipts of domestic wool for week ending May 9 amounted to 2,700,300 pounds compared with 2,834,700 pounds a week ago.

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