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CRY FOR BIG NAVY AGAIN IS SOUNDED

Gardiner Assails Hoover's Conduct of Naval Affairs Once More.

STEVENS SPEAKS FOR WAR VETERAN

American Legion Head Visits Executive; Chairman Byrns Expects $800,000,000 Payment.

IN WASHINGTON TODAY

Legion commander urges additional funds for veterans relief.

Byrns predicts appropriation of $200,000,000 for veterans.

Gardiner again attacks Hoover's naval stand.

Request made for prohibition referendum.

Ludlow would donate 10,000,000 bushels of stabilization wheat for the needy.

Mrs. Hattie Caraway takes oath of office in senate.

Democrats in house force adoption of liberalized rules.

Twelve western Republicans refuse to vote for Moses in senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP)—William Hoard Gardiner seized the moment of congress, assembling to again assail President Hoover's conduct of naval affairs, calling for a sweeping investigation.

His plea, latest utterance in the long-drawn controversy between the White House and the navy league, fell on fertile ground, for advocates of a more powerful naval establishment are planning to push large construction bills at this session.

The latest statement of the league president again assailed Mr. Hoover's suggestion of immunizing sea-borne food supplies from the hazards of war, by terming it the "ill-advised nostrum" of a layman. In essence he reasserted his original charge of "abysmal ignorance" against the president.

Opportunities Expected

Although no senators nor congressmen have yet sponsored the type

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E. O. N. HOOP SEASON OPENS IN JANUARY

Because the squad will not be at full strength until after the holiday season, the Eastern Oregon Normal school basketball schedule for December has been postponed, and games scheduled for this month will be played during the first two weeks of the winter quarter.

A contest had been scheduled for tomorrow night with the Pendleton Independents.

Two games have been lined up with Whitman college, one in La Grande and one in Walla Walla, during February, Coach Bob Quinn expects to have his schedule completed within the next two weeks.

Empire Corporation Elects Dr. Clancy

PORTLAND, Dec. 8 (AP)—If resolutions and personal assurance may be accepted, all is harmony and peace within the Empire Holding corporation, an organization whose stock-selling permit recently was suspended and whose affairs have been recommended for grand jury investigation.

Dr. R. W. Clancy, former secretary of the corporation, who recently accused several other officers of improper conduct as officers, was elected president and general manager at a meeting of the new board last night. He succeeds Oliver P. Coshow, former supreme court justice, as president.

W. R. Bailey, Portland, was elected secretary-treasurer, and D. B. Shambrook, Rossburg, first vice president.

The new board is composed of Clancy, Dr. C. L. Ogle, Grants Pass; Shambrook; Thornton Smith, La Grande, and Bailey.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Generally cloudy tonight and Wednesday; light rains on the coast; moderate temperature; gentle changeable winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY

7 a. m.—26 above.
Minimum: 25 above.
Condition: Cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 38, minimum 27 above.
Condition: Cloudy, snow 1½ inches. Precipitation .08 of an inch. Range—11 degrees.

WEATHER DEC. 8, 1930

Maximum 39, minimum 23 above.
Condition: Clear, 56-mile wind. Range—16 degrees.

Cold Gale Hits Eastern States; Northwest Mild

Mercury Plunges — One Death in New York; Moderate Weather and Snow Visits La Grande.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (AP)—Winter cracked the whip—a biting northwest gale—over the east today.

The wind, which at times attained a velocity of 60 miles an hour, pushed the thermometer down into the twenties. There it will stay for a while, weather observers said.

Extending far to sea, the forceful wind churned the ocean and caused the delay of from 24 to 36 hours of six ocean liners scheduled to dock here yesterday and today.

Only one liner, the Tuscania, managed to force its way through the storm. Captain William Rome said

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"Spotted Mule" Padlocked Today By Federal Men

"The Spotted Mule", a restaurant at 217 Depot street, which has been operated by Pearl Stanley Stiles, has been closed by a temporary injunction. The command tacked to the door forbids admission, while through the windows which open onto the street, may be seen the green tables covered with crumbs, just as they were left following the arrest of the proprietor Saturday night near Starkey by officers after a chase through

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Mystery Play To Be Staged Soon By Junior Cast

Devotees of mystery plays, who revel in hair-raising adventures of heroes and heroines, will have their day! For the past two weeks the auditorium at the La Grande High school has rung with groans and weird shrieks. The casual passerby hurries on, thinking perhaps that the members of the student body are meeting with foul play. Even the leading detectives have not been able to solve the mystery of "The Thirteenth Chair" which is to be presented by the junior class under the direction of Miss Catherine Sartain, Dec. 17 and 18 at the High school auditorium. Bayard Veiller, the author, has furnished an excellent vehicle for experienced and advanced amateurs, which Miss Sartain has selected as the annual junior play production.

Barbara Coolidge has been chosen as the heroine, Helen O'Neill, and opposite her is Harry Johansen cast in the role of Will Crosby. Burke

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Memorial Program Announced Today

Memorial services for the members of the B. P. O. E. will be held Thursday evening, Dec. 10, at 7:30 in the temple, and the "absent brothers" will be honored at fitting ceremonies to which the public is invited. H. E. Coolidge, past exalted ruler, will deliver the main address of the evening.

The program includes:

Funeral March ..... Mrs. Sherwood Williams
Opening ritualistic exercises.
Prayer ..... Lodge chaplain
Vocal solo ..... Selected
Mrs. Floyd Sherwood
Roll call ..... "Our Absent Brothers"
Eulogy ..... R. J. Green
Past exalted ruler
Vocal Solo ..... Selected
E. E. Hurley
Address ..... H. E. Coolidge
Closing ritualistic exercises.
Benediction.
Recessional...Mrs. Sherwood Williams

Irwin Moss Heads Pythian Knights

Irwin Moss will head the Knights of Pythias for the coming year, following his election as chancellor commander at a meeting of the lodge at 7:30 last night at the hall.

A silver offering was taken for the children's Christmas fund at the Pythian home at Vancouver, Wash.

Fred Milner is vice commander; Paul Brace, prelate; Fred Albertson, master of work; D. L. Gaily, keeper of records and seals; C. K. McCormick, master of the exchequer; H. C. Buckwalter, master at arms; H. L. Stoneking, inner guard; and Frank Thorp, outer guard.

After the election the committee in charge served refreshments at a joint social meeting of the Knights and the Pythian Sisters.

Ford Funeral To Be Held Tomorrow

William Ford, a resident here for a long period of time, died Sunday in his downtown rooms following a long illness. Heart disease caused death.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary with the B. P. O. Elks officiating. Burial will take place in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Mr. Ford, about 63 years of age, leaves two nephews, Charles Hoehne, of La Grande, and Bob Hoehne, of Meacham.

MANCHURIAN RESOLUTION IS APPROVED

League of Nations Council Takes Vote—Dawes Studies Document.

COMMISSION OF INQUIRY FEATURE

Little Else Provided For By Resolution; Students in Demonstrations in China.

PARIS, Dec. 8 (AP) — The league of nations council tonight voted approval of its resolution on the Manchurian dispute and United States Ambassador Charles G. Dawes looked over the document in the office of Aristide Briand.

The resolution provides for a commission of inquiry in Manchuria but for little else, it was understood. Such issues as remain unsolved have been removed from the resolution and relegated to the declaration M. Briand will make when it is presented to the full council.

This action was taken at a private meeting of the twelve neutral members. An opening meeting of the full council is scheduled for 5 p. m. tomorrow. At that time it is hoped the resolution will be adopted and the council may adjourn.

MANY DEMONSTRATIONS

SHANGHAI, Dec. 8 (AP) — Thousands of Chinese students deserted their studies throughout China today to participate in demonstrations against

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FARM GROUPS ARE NEAR AGREEMENT

With United Front, Great Organizations Would Call on Congress.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8 (AP)—The American farm bureau federation, the national grange, and the national farmers union were nearing a compromise here by which all three organizations would unite in asking the present congress to supplement stabilization operations of the federal farm board with the equalization fee and export debenture principles of grain surplus control.

L. U. Taber, master of the grange; John Simpson, head of the farmers union, and Edward A. O'Neal, president of the federation, said that the groups, for the first time, were negotiating an agreement to work for a "harmony" program which would permit the optional use by the farm board of either the free or debenture plan and would eliminate future invoking of the emergency stabilization clause of the marketing act.

Taber and Simpson were guests of the federation at its annual meeting which opened yesterday.

Three men were presented the gold medal of the farm bureau for "distinguished service to organized agriculture."

They were:

Frank O. Lowden, former governor of Illinois who sought the Repub-

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POWERS SEEN DIGGING, THREE MEN TESTIFY

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 8 (AP)—Three witnesses pointed to Harry F. Powers today and told of seeing him digging a grave four months ago beside his so-called "death garage."

The spot, they said, was exactly where the bodies of two women and three children later were disinterred.

It is for the slaying of one of the five, Mrs. Dorothy Pressler Lemke, that the placid 45 year old small town lothario is on trial.

The witnesses were Clarence Chambers and Ernest Dodd, who had been drilling for oil, and H. B. Kauffmann, who was looking for a leaking gas connection.

12 Republicans Refuse To Vote For Geo. Moses

Election of Senate President Pro Tem Goes Over Until Tomorrow After Three Attempts.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP) —Twelve Western Republicans bolted the party's choice for president pro tempore of the senate today and election of that officer went over to tomorrow.

After three ballots in which neither George H. Moses, of New Hampshire, the Republican candidate, nor Senator Key Pittman, of Nevada, the Democratic choice, was able to muster a majority of those voting, the senate adjourned for the day.

The Republican revolters against Moses were mostly members of the independent bloc which was termed by Moses "sons of the wild jackass" last session.

Democrats For Pittman

The Democratic minority of 42 votes stood solidly behind Pittman.

The Republicans gave their votes to Norris, of Nebraska; McNary, of Oregon; Jones, of Washington, Cappers, of Kansas, and Moses.

Republicans voting against Moses were:

Borah and Thomas of Idaho; Norris and Howell, of Nebraska; Blaine and LaFollette, of Wisconsin; Capper, of Kansas; Couzens, of Michigan; Cutting, of New Mexico; Nye and Frazier,

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FREIGHT RATE INCREASE O. K. GIVEN ROADS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP)—Virtually unrestricted permission to the country's hard pressed railroads to increase freight rates by more than $100,000,000 had been given today by the interstate commerce commission.

The extra charges are to remain in effect not longer than March 31, 1933.

The commission late yesterday authorized without restraint the placing of surcharges on freight bills of all products except major agricultural crops. It also withdrew restrictions requiring pooling of proceeds.

R. H. Aishton, chairman of the association of railway executives, called a meeting of that organization for Friday, December 11 to decide what they will do.

Elect Ralph Budd Head of C. B. & Q.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (AP) — Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern railway today was elected president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railway, effective Jan. 1. He will succeed F. E. Williamson, who becomes president of the New York Central Jan. 1. W. P. Kenney was elected a director to succeed Mr. Williamson in that position.

The Burlington is controlled by the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads.

ITALIAN WILL EXPLAINS LONG LIFE OF VILLAGERS

CROVEO, Italy (AP)—Ire and envy are the arch-enemies of long life, says the will of Mrs. Anna Lunghee, who died at 100.

The document counsels her three sons, all over 70, to avoid these failings and to eat lots of vegetables.

Mrs. Lunghe's death was the first in this village in several years. Croveo is noted for the longevity of its people and most of the villagers who attended the funeral were near the ninetieth milestone.

AUSTRALIAN TOBACCO CROP MAY BE BAR TO IMPORTS

CANBERRA, Dec. 8 (AP)—Sheltered behind a high tariff wall, Australian tobacco growers are making as much headway as did her rice growers a few years ago.

Australia now produces all her own rice and soon, possibly next year, she will cease imports of tobacco except, perhaps, a little Virginian and Turkish for blending.

Last tobacco season was highly remunerative and about 30,000 acres have been planted to the new crop.

Khaki OK At Buckingham

LONDON (AP) — King George, not wanting his young officers to spend their small salaries on fancy court clothes, has told the army that khaki service uniforms will be quite all right at levees and investitures.

Lenz and Jacoby 1715 Points Ahead Of Culbertsons After First Night

By Tom O'Neil

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (AP) — Sidney S. Lenz and his partner, Oswald Jacoby, playing the "official" system, were 1715 points in the lead today in their 150-rubber contract bridge match against Mr. and Mrs. Ely Culbertson and the Culbertson system.

Lenz and Jacoby made the greater score in each of three rubbers played in the initial session which lasted two hours and 48 minutes, ending at 12:55 a. m. today. In each of the first two rubbers they won a bonus for taking two games. In the third rubber the Culbertsons took two games and with it a rubber bonus, yet because of sets given them, the point total of their opponents increased. Even after the Culbertsons themselves were perplexed, experts agreed that technically under the rules the winner of a rubber is the one with the greater score regardless of who takes two games.

Each side remained convinced today that its system was the better. Culbertson said Lenz and Jacoby had "dreadnaughts" in card holdings and that if the cards were reversed the Culbertsons would have made more than 4000 points. Lenz insisted that if he and Jacoby had played the Culbertsons' cards the proponents of the "official system" would be plus just the same.

Each side found support in individual hands for its theories of bidding. Culbertson was especially critical of the failure of his opponents to bid more. Lenz answered that in some cases doubling by his side would have driven the Culbertsons to other suits and successful contracts instead of sets on inferior bids. Lenz was amazed at the Culbertsons' slowness of play.

No Brilliant Feats

All agreed on one thing: That there

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"THE TIME, THE PLACE, AND —"

Monkey, Trained To Steal, Is On Probation Today

CHICAGO, Dec. 8 (AP)— "Jocko," a monkey, was on probation today.

The police permitted his return to his owner, Mrs. Anna Jans, who said she would try to train him back to honest ways.

Four boys were arrested yesterday, and admitted, the police said, that they had stolen the monkey from Mrs. Jans and trained him to climb over transoms and release door catches to permit their entry into apartments they wished to ransack.

Bloody Fights Preface Peru's Inaugural Today

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 8 (AP)—A sharp clash between citizens and police at Paijan, near Trujillo, yesterday in which ten persons were killed and 13 wounded according to a dispatch to El Commercio, prefaced Peru's presidential inaugural today.

Most of the dead and wounded, according to the dispatch, were members of the Aprista party which supported victory Haya De La Torre, unsuccessful opponent of the new president, Lieut Colonel Luis M. Sanchez Cerro, in the last election.

The inaugural of the new president signifies a triumphant return to power, for Colonel Sanchez Cerro resigned nine months ago, under pressure, as head of the Junta that overthrew former President Leguia in 1930. Colonel Cerro spent some time in exile.

Plan Opposition

The leftist parties now have determined to oppose his administration in the congress. His cabinet, which was announced last night, will be headed by Dr. German Arenas as president of the council and minister of public works, railways and health.

Colonel Cerro, who is 42, has served in the army and was for several years military attache at Washington. He was elected Oct. 11.

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New Racket Broken Up By Authorities

PORTLAND, Dec. 8 (AP)—R. N. "Dad" Carter was under arrest today, $6000 had been collected in the name of "charity," and what was described by police as the latest racket had been broken.

Carter was arrested Monday on complaint of the better business bureau after he had organized a "sales force" of eight telephone callers who requested donations for a Christmas tree fund for poor children of the city, representing to speak for the Portland labor temple.

The labor temple denied any connection with Carter who was arrested on a charge of soliciting money for charitable purposes without a permit.

Jaywalker Killed By Portland Auto

PORTLAND, Dec. 8 (AP)—Struck by an automobile as he "jaywalked" between intersections, a man tentatively identified as Scott Smith, 70, was killed here late yesterday.

His death was the fifth traffic fatality in the first seven days of December.

He was struck by a car driven by Roy Herlihy, 28. Several witnesses said the accident was unavoidable. No arrest was made.

SCHOOLS FACING MORE ECONOMIES

Deficiencies in Estimated Receipts Revealed at Board Session.

SALEM, Dec. 8 (AP) — Difficiences in estimated receipts amounting to about $70,000 will force further economies in the operation of higher institutions of learning, it was stated at the meeting of the state board of higher education yesterday. Sixty thousand dollars of this deficiency was caused by decrease in millage taxes caused by lower valuations, and $17,000 by decrease in tuition fees over the estimates. Unexpended balance will offset some of this.

Additional reductions in institution income are reported for the dormitories at the State college and some of the other schools. President W. J. Kerr reported that the dormitories at the college were running at 28 per cent under capacity. Students are rooming in private homes where costs are now less than in the dormitories. The receipts are expected to run $10,000 short of normal this year.

Summer schools will be continued at the state institutions as in the

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CHEERY NEWS ARRIVES FROM MIDDLE WEST

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Dec. 8 — (Special) — More cheering business news!

As December opened here increased buying developed rapidly in the business district. A big department store reported business ahead of last year with the best bargains since the memory of men offered shoppers. Christmas savings checks totaling some $400,000 were opened in some 6000 homes, and a marked increase in buying resulted.

CLEVELAND NEWS BRIGHT

CLEVELAND, Dec. 8 (AP) — More business brighteners — $3,600,000 of them—came out of the Cleveland area here the other day.

The White Motor company here received a contract from the city of New York for 774 heavy duty dump trucks. The order is the largest White has received since the boom days of the war and is worth approximately $2,600,000. One thousand men will go to work in the next week at the Lorain yards of the American Shipbuilding company, which will convert three lake ore carriers of Boland and Cornelius, Buffalo steamship operators, into self unloaders. The job will cost $1,000,000.

President A. G. Bean, of White Motors, said the New York order would not mean employment of additional men but would enable 3,000 employes now working under the stagger system to put in full time.

Collegians At Wyoming Go On Strike Today

LARAMIE, Wyo., Dec. 8 (AP) — An exodus of Wyoming university students from a gymnasium during a dance was solely for a breath of air and not to "pet and drink" and because "reflections" have been cast on this honest exit, a strike has been called at the school.

Dr. A. G. Crane, president of the university refused to apologize to the students for remarks credited to him that students in parked cars near the gymnasium were "petting and drinking" and at a mass meeting students voted 43 to 85, to strike today. The meeting represented about half the student body.

Catcalls and jeers greeted the president as he attended the student leaders.

Peers Into Cars

Last Friday night the engineering students gave a ball in the gymnasium, popularly known as "Wyom-

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1500 Shivering Demonstrators On Return Trip

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP)—Shivering in the cold, 1500 demonstrators jammed into trucks and automobiles today for a long drive back to their widely separated homes.

They carried with them unheard petitions they had insisted upon delivering personally to the president and congress.

More than a score of the vehicles in which they came had driven away without them and for the return journey they were crowded into the vehicles that remained until every inch of space was occupied.

But there were shouts of "we'll be back again" as the caravan rumbled away.

Police, who yesterday repelled their

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Healthy Race Hope Of Hitler's Party

LEIPZIG, Germany, Dec. 8 (AP)—Sterilization of the physically and mentally unfit in Germany in the event of Adolf Hitler's national socialists come into power was discussed before a group of Nazi physicians last night by Dr. Martin Staemmler, director of the pathological institute at Chemnitz.

Children born dumb and blind and other defectives would be sterilized under the national socialist program he recommended, to build a physically healthy Nordic race.

The theme "We must be strong and intelligent" ran through other discussions at the meeting.

Ohio Will Support Baker or White

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 8 (AP)—Ohio Democrats were divided today as to who shall receive the state's 48 votes in the party's national convention next year.

One group, headed by former Congressman Martin L. Davey, of Kent, favors former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker for the presidential nomination. A second faction thinks Governor George White is the logical choice—at least on the first ballots.

Baker maintained an attitude that placed him in the role of peacemaker. Informed of Davey's draft proposal, the former secretary reiterated that he is not a presidential aspirant and that he had assumed the state delegation would be pledged to Governor White.

MR. HOOVER RECOMMENDS HIGHER TAX

President Presents Program to Cure America's "Credit Paralysis."

SCORES HOARDING OF OVER BILLION

Plenty of Money, But Not At Work, He Tells Congress; Other Messages to Come Later.

By Byron Price

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP) — A reconstruction program topped by higher taxes and new aids to credit was proposed by President Hoover today to a congress ready to accept in part only his offer of leadership.

In an annual message received with far more than the usual attention, he presented no bill of particulars for tax revision. That will come later, and will lead to much controversy. Few members of any political faith remained doubtful of the necessity for higher levies, however, after Mr. Hoover had disclosed that the federal treasury probably would be more than $4,000,000,000 in the hole by the end of next fiscal year.

In general, the congressional leaders agreed with the principles laid down for credit expansion. It is entirely possible that presidential proposals like those for a greater capitalization of land banks, for new banks to loan to home-buyers, and for releasing assets now locked in insolvency proceedings, may go through almost exactly as the administration wants them.

Controversies Anticipated

Over the details of the proposed reconstruction corporation, however, and the method of liberalizing the federal reserve rediscount regulations trouble seems certain to develop.

The president also stepped directly into controversy when he opposed any general tariff overhauling, or any direct government aid to unemployed. Among Democrats and Republican insurgents, there is constant agitation for both.

Already a tax dispute is developing,

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WEDELL HOPES TO CROSS U. S. IN TEN HOURS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 8 (AP) — James R. Wedell believes he can fly his low-wing, home-made monoplane from Los Angeles to New York in ten hours.

The New Orleans aviator, who last week set a new record of six hours, 40 minutes for the Agua Caliente-Vancouver, B. C., flight, was grounded here last night en route to Los Angeles where he will prepare for his projected trans - continental speed test.

"Frank Hawks said the other day that within a year somebody will fly from Los Angeles to New York in ten hours," Wedell said. "I expect to do that, but I won't have to wait a year."

Wedell said his monoplane was capable of a speed of 300 miles an hour and had a cruising speed of 250 miles an hour. This he believes should be sufficient to make the 2450-mile flight in ten hours. The present record is 11 hours, 16 minutes and was established by Jimmy Doolittle.

Movement Against Y. M. C. A. Launched

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 8 (AP)—A motion urging all priests and lay Catholics to wage a campaign against the Young Men's Christian association, the Young Women's Christian association and other similar organizations brought to Mexico from the United States was passed by the national Guadalupe congress here.

The congress is in session in connection with the celebration of the 400th anniversary of the supposed appearance of the virgin of Guadalupe.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Dec. 8 (AP) — President Hoover's message to congress elicited at first only a varying response from the grain markets today, prices declining a little, then rallying, and later reacting. A sharp break in values however after the contents of the message became known took place in the final moments of trading.

The wheat market broke at the last under a sudden onset of selling by eastern houses and on stop loss orders.

Wheat closed unsteady at almost the day's bottom level, ⅜@2⅛ cents under yesterday's finish, corn unchanged to ⅜ cents down, oats a shade to ⅜ cents off, and provisions unchanged to 5 cents lower.

PORTLAND, Dec. 8 (AP) — Losses of ¾c each were shown for December and May wheat options on the Portland futures market Tuesday with aggregate sales of 23,000 bu. Portland merchants exchange cash wheat lost 1c bu. during the same period.