

SPICE STOCK SHORT

Prices are Soaring Because of War Conditions.

PEPPER ADVANCING FAST

Quotations have advanced 6 cents and further rise in store.

Other Lines are Lifted 500 Per Cent.

Due in a great measure to the fact that England has placed an embargo on pepper and other spices...

Everyone connected with the spice trade seems to think that a further advance of 6 or 7 cents a pound on pepper is in store...

EAST INQUIRES FOR RED WHEAT

No Demand for White Grades for Rail Shipment.

The wheat market was steadier yesterday, but the export market continues unsatisfactory...

CRUDE OIL OUTPUT IS REDUCED

January Storms Cut Down Production in California Fields.

The storms of January 11 and 27, which destroyed 1500 derricks in the San Joaquin Valley...

CALIFORNIA OIL BUYING IS HEAVY

Hundreds of Bales Are Taken for Shipment to England.

Quiet buying is going on in the Oregon hog section, but the details are not made public.

MILTON FRUIT UNION SIGNS UP

Will Market Its Tonnage Through Northwestern This Year.

The board of directors of the Milton Fruit Growers' Co-operative Union, at a meeting held in their office at Freewater, Or., yesterday...

LOCAL EGG MARKET IS STEADY

Veal Sells at Lowest Prices in Month—Butter is Weak.

The egg market held fairly steady yesterday, with sales at 27 cents a dozen...

Potato Market is Weaker.

There was only a moderate trade in the fruit and vegetable markets yesterday.

Fifteen-Cent Advance in Sugar.

There was a sharp advance in the Eastern sugar market yesterday, and as a consequence...

Chicago Daily Produce.

Best higher receipts 1748 cases; finest 1823 cases; total 3571 cases.

Hops at New York.

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STOCKS GRADUALLY RECOVER

From Recent Declines.

METALS STRONG FEATURE

Steel Advances on Prediction of Record-Breaking Earnings for Current Quarter—Bonds Are Acquired From Abroad.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Gradual but general recovery from low levels of the early week was made in today's dealings.

War issues were mainly irregular, but came forward in the later dealings.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS

Table with columns: Stock Name, Price, Change. Includes Alcoa, American Steel, etc.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations: Butter, Eggs, etc.

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Butter—Prices from wholesaler to retailer...

Simple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations: Flour, Sugar, etc.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1915 crop, 10@12 per pound.

Provisions.

HAMS—All kinds, 10c standard.

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Mercantile paper, 3 1/2 per cent.

Mining Stocks at Boston.

BOSTON, Feb. 18.—Closing quotations: American Lead, etc.

Stocks Quiet at London.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The American securities on the market were withdrawn...

More Coffee Tonnage is Available.

Brazilian Government-Owned Line Pressed Late Service.

Millions in Copper Earnings.

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Naval Stores.

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ALL GRAINS TAKEN

European Buying of Wheat, Corn and Oats.

CHICAGO PRICES HIGHER

Advanced Aided by Bullish Cables From Liverpool and Argentina.

Condition of Domestic-Winter Crop Causes Apprehension.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Liberal export buying, which followed an advance in Liverpool quotations, gave strength today to the wheat market here.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Evaporated apples, dried, 12 1/2c.

HOG RECEIPTS ARE FAIR

NOTHING NOW SELLING AT YARDS OVER EIGHT CENTS.

Supply of Other Classes of Stock is Small and the Prices are Steady.

There was a fair run of hogs at the yards yesterday, but receipts at other lines were light.

WHEAT.

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Foreign Grain Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 18.—Cash wheat 1d higher, 10s 10d.

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Feb. 18.—Hogs—Receipts, 15,000 head.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Hogs—Receipts, 30,000 head.

RETAILERS BUY HEAVILY

JOBBERS INCREASE ORDERS WITH MILLS AND SELLING AGENTS.

Pressure to Make Early Deliveries Indicates Rapid Expansion of General Trade.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Tomorrow Day's Review will say: Accumulation of forward business is only limited by the ability and disposition of manufacturers to handle the same.

Disproportion between demand and supply—heretofore apparent in comparatively few lines—is spreading, and it is increasingly manifest that productive and distributive capacity is not keeping pace with the rapid growth in requirements.

Scarcity of materials is a more noticeable feature and in the West and South, as in the East, it is much easier to find buyers than to obtain merchandise.

Frequent complaints are still heard of tardy deliveries, and the fact that the number of orders for the traffic congestion and there was a 50 per cent reduction in the number of 40-day orders during January.

Pressure on the part of the transportation interests is further reflected in the substantial gain in gross earnings of the railroads during the month.

Business continues of heavy volume in iron and steel.

Wood-Dull, sales, 6000 barrels; receipts, 350 barrels; shipments, 170 barrels; stock, 32,554 barrels.

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SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 18.—The Canadian censor refuse to permit any news to be sent from British Columbia concerning the Japanese cruisers Chitose and Tokiwa which have arrived at Vancouver and which are said to have brought \$1,000,000 in Russian gold rubles.

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