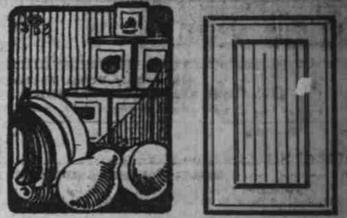


The MARKET PAGE

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RECORD FOR WHEAT PRICES SHATTERED

Market Yesterday Surpasses All Prices This Year; Buying Steady

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Besides crossing to above \$1.80 for the first time, the wheat market today shattered all prices this year. New buying was based largely on an estimate that the exportable wheat surplus looked for in Argentina would amount to only 12,000,000 bushels. Rye as well as wheat went beyond previous top levels. Wheat closed strong, 3 3/4 to 4 3/8 net higher. May \$1.80 7-8 to \$1.81 1/2, and July \$1.54 3-8 to \$1.54 1/2. Corn finished 1 1/2 to 2 7-8 up, oats showing 1 3-8 to 2c gain, and provisions at a rise varying from 12c to 40c.

Closing quotations on all future deliveries of wheat here were the tip top both for the day and the season too. It was pointed out, also, that number two red wheat, the regular Chicago contract grade was sold on track here today at as high as \$1.91 a bushel, 14c premium over December delivery, a new peak for 1924.

At the same time May delivery showed about 9c advance in the last three days. For the most part corn and oats derived their strength chiefly from wheat. The government report on prospective hog supplies proved of only a transient weakening effect on corn.

Provisions, although weak early, were later responsive to the upturn in grain.

The old newsless Monday is a great day for newspaper men, with their lists of killed and injured.



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cutting Peerless bread. They like it better than candy, cake, or cinnamon toast. Well, you have missed a treat if you don't eat this bread. You must try it. It is so wholesome and tasty—mother's delight!

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GENERAL MARKETS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26.—Dairy produce exchange: Butter, extras 46 1/2c; standards 45c; prime firsts 43c; firsts 40c. Eggs, extras 55c; firsts 51c; pullets 49c; peewees 42c; current receipts 44c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Evaporated apples dull; prunes quiet. Apricots and peaches firm; raisins quiet but steady.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 26.—Wheat opened 1 1/4 to 1 1/2c higher; February \$1.87, 3-4; March \$1.68 1/2.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—Grain futures: Wheat, hard white, blue-stem and hard, December \$1.81; January \$1.82; February \$1.83; soft white, December \$1.76; January \$1.77; February \$1.80; western white, hard winter, December \$1.75; January \$1.76; February \$1.77; northern spring, December, January, February \$1.78; western red, December \$1.70; January, February \$1.72; BBB hard white, December, January, February \$2.

Oats, No. 2 white feed, December, January \$40.50; February \$41; No. 2 gray December \$40; February \$40.50.

Barley No. 2, 44-pounds, December, January, February \$43.

Corn, No. 3, eastern yellow shipment, December \$49.50; January \$51.25; February \$51.50.

Milium, December \$36.50; January \$37; February \$37.50.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—Hay unchanged.

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—Hay and grain unchanged.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—Cash wheat: No. 1 northern \$1.73 7-8 to \$1.77 7-8; No. 1 dark northern spring, choice to fancy \$1.96 7-8 to \$2.03 7-8; good to choice \$1.80 7-8 to \$1.90 7-8; ordinary to good \$1.74 7-8 to \$1.80 7-8; No. 1 hard spring \$1.75 7-8 to \$2.03 7-8; No. 1 dark hard Montana on track \$1.76 7-8 to \$1.95 7-8; to arrive \$1.76 7-8 to \$1.95 7-8; December \$1.73 1/2; May \$1.77 7-8.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Receipts: Hay 18 tons.

SALEM MARKETS

Prices quoted are wholesale and are prices received by farmers. No retail prices are given.

GRAIN AND HAY
No. 1 soft white wheat \$1.58
No. 1 soft red wheat \$1.55
Oats \$1.25
Clover hay, baled \$1.15
Oat and Vetch hay \$1.18

PORK, BUTTER AND BEEF
Hogs, 160-200 cwt. \$9.10
Hogs, 200-250 cwt. \$8.85
Hogs, 200-250 cwt. \$8.60
Pork Heavy \$5 1/2 @ C
Light \$5 @ C
Top veal \$6
Dressed veal, top \$11 @ 1 1/4
Cows \$2 @ 3/4
Lamb \$2 @ 3/4

POULTRY
Heavy hens \$1.80
Springers \$1.80
Light hens \$1.70
Ducks \$1.60
Old roosters \$1.50
Turkeys, choice \$3 @ 3/4
Live turkeys \$2.10 @ 2 1/2
Ducks \$1.60
Ducks, dressed \$1.40 @ 1 1/2
Geese, dressed \$2 @ 2 1/2

EGGS, BUTTER, BUTTERFAT
Creamery butter \$49 @ 50c
Butterfat, delivered \$1.90
Milk per cwt \$1.50
Eggs—Standards \$41 @ 43c
Pullets \$1 @ 35c

BUSINESS IS MUCH BETTER THAN 1923

Satisfaction Expressed With Present Outlook; Contrast Prevails

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Dun's tomorrow will say:

"As the end of the year approaches there is much satisfaction regarding business results and in those lines which have not participated to any great extent in the improvement recently witnessed, indications are unusually favorable for a material broadening inactivity early New Year, early inventories have been completed. Unseasonable weather in many portions, the payment of large sums in the way of bonuses by banking and trading concerns, and the release by banks of Christmas savings funds have greatly stimulated retail trade during the past two weeks, and holiday sales at practically every important center have exceeded previous records. In most wholesale departments due largely to the fact that traveling men are home for the holidays and business houses are devoting attention to the preparation of inventories, the customary quieting down of this period is noted but the confident feeling and optimism with which the future is regarded presents quite a marked contrast to the situation which prevailed a year ago."

Weekly bank clearings \$7,289,919,000.

STOCK PRICES ARE SURGING FORWARD

Tradition of Dull After-Holiday Market Is Broken; Copper Stock High

Stock prices surged forward today under the leadership of the copper shares shattering the Wall street tradition of a dull and featureless post-holiday market. Forty-seven individual issues of 18 of them coppers, smashed their previous 1924 highs, carrying the general industrial average to the highest level in five years.

Speculated buying of the coppers took place following the announcement that sales of the red metal in the east were being made at 15c a pound for the first time this year. American Smelting was the leader in that group, jumping more than five points to 100 3-8, the highest quotation recorded since 1917.

The advance, which comprised practically all issues with the exception of the oils, took place despite the maintenance of the 4 1/2 per cent rate for call money.

United States steel common touched 119 3-4, the highest price in seven years, on buying influenced by a further expansion in steel operations. Several of the minor steels also developed marked strength.

Trading in the rails was restricted by the mixed nature of the November earnings reports now being published.

Call money ruled unchanged at 4 1/2 per cent. The time money and commercial paper markets were unchanged with business quiet.

Trading in the foreign exchanges was restricted by the observance of a holiday in London but the rates held firm. Demand sterling again was quoted above \$4.70 and French francs ruled around 5.39c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Stock market verges: Date 20 Industrials. 20 Railroads Friday \$117.50 102.06 Wednesday 115.75 101.39 Week ago 115.12 102.42 High 1924 117.30 102.90 Low 1924 . 90.27 \$1.00 Total stock sales 1,456,000 shares.

Seattle Weather Slightly Moderating, Reports Say

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—A cold wave, which has gripped the Puget Sound district, lifted slightly today and reached above the freezing point for the first time in ten days, the temperature being 36 degrees above zero. The coldest temperature recorded here today was 24 above.

Power was being supplied tonight by the tug Roosevelt to 1,000 homes on Vashon island, southwest of Seattle in Puget Sound, due to an electric cable being

taken up for repairs after it was damaged in recent gales. Island residents have been without electric lights for five days. Power company officials said the tug would generate power for two weeks when the cable is to be relaid.

SLEET BREAKS PRESENT COLD SPELL IN CITY

ported prospects of more snow with slightly higher temperatures. The Willamette river at Portland today was frozen over sufficiently for persons to cross on the ice and only those harbor craft which were protected by metal sheathing dared to plough their way through the floes. The Columbia river also was heavily encumbered with ice, making traffic, except for large steel sheathed vessels, dangerous.

SPOKANE WARMER
SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 26.—With cloudy weather general in eastern Washington tonight slightly warmer temperatures for the night were predicted by the weather office here. The thermometer remained at 14 in Spokane tonight and temperatures within a few degrees of that mark were reported from other eastern Washington cities.

IDAHO STILL COLD
BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 26.—Government thermometers here registered 18 degrees below zero at 8 o'clock this morning. All south-western Idaho is in the grip of a cold wave. Temperatures reported at some other places are Halley 22 below; Nampa, 22 below; Caldwell 34 below, and Pocatello 15 below.

COLD HITS EAST
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The cold wave which inflicted the most frigid Christmas in many years upon the middle and far west, reached New York today. The rise in temperature to 23 degrees this afternoon, following a drop to 11 above at 7:30 this morning, the lowest point to which the mercury had sunk on December 26 since 1872, will be only temporary, the weather bureau announced. Tonight the thermometer again began to drop gradually and the weather bureau predicted that this morning's cold breeze probably would be duplicated by tomorrow morning.

The death of an unidentified man in Scotch Plains, N. J., today, resulted from the cold.

Canby Teacher Sues Board For Damages of \$25,000

OREGON CITY, Ore., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Rosamund Lee Shaw Sampson, ex-teacher in the Canby high school and bride of seven weeks, today filed suit for \$25,000 damages in circuit court here against J. R. Vinyard, F. E. Dodge and H. A. Dedman, members of the Canby school board. The filing of the complaint by Mrs. Sampson grew out of her dismissal from the Canby high school teaching staff following her marriage November 10, 1924, in Vancouver, Wash., to one of her pupils, Clifford Leroy Sampson. The complaint is based on alleged libel. The plaintiff charges that the defendants falsely, with intent to injure the plaintiff, published in writing words that were defamatory and malicious.

Cold Weather Causes Much Damage to Citrus Crops

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—Damage caused in the southern California citrus belt by frost and high winds during the past few days is estimated at "somewhere between five and ten per cent of the orange crop," in a statement issued tonight by Dana C. King, manager of the California fruit growers' exchange. King's summary of the situation, as telegraphed to an associate in the east, lays the damage to "cold weather preceded by strong winds." The minimum temperatures in citrus districts ranged from 24 to 28 degrees above zero Wednesday and Thursday nights, he says, but efficient orchard heating prevented damage in most groves. "The condition of humidity preceding the cold was quite favorable, and we anticipate the minimum of damage under prevailing conditions," he goes on to explain, adding that "the disposition of shippers is to move only good fruit now," pending an accurate estimate of damage to fruit still unpicker.

Prince of Wales' trip to this country will make men's styles English. Wish a naked African prince had visited us in the spring.

SCHEDULE IS ARRANGED FOR WU DEBATERS

(Continued from page 1) is the most pretentious one ever arranged for the varsity debaters, and marks another step toward establishing Willamette circles in a high place in forensic civility. The trip taken two years ago by Willamette men as far back as Wisconsin advertised the university and Salem so successfully that institutions welcomed the opportunity this year to meet the Willamette debaters. High praise for the quality of Willamette contests has been received from many sources. During the past three years only three contests have been lost by the local university and these three have been by split decisions.

In order to help defray the expense of the extensive tour, it is planned to have the local chapter of Theta Alpha Phi, national dramatic fraternity, put on a series of three one-act plays for the benefit of the debate trip. The plays will be coached by Prof. Horace G. Rahskopf, who was largely responsible for the very successful staging of the De Molay show, and will be a distinct contribution to Salem dramatics. Business men of Salem will be asked to support the play in view of the tremendous advertising which the city will gain from the debate trip.

The debate squad has now been reduced to six men, from whom the three men to make the trip will be chosen. Ward Southworth of Salem, junior and two-year letterman; Victor Carlson of Toppenish, Wash., junior and one-year letter man; James McCintock of Roseburg, sophomore; Joel Bertram of Corvallis, sophomore; Charles Redding of Fort Dodge, Iowa, freshman, and Rawson Chapin of Salem, senior, are the men competing for places. A two-man team to meet West Virginia will be chosen by Coach Rahskopf with in a week.

Albanian Cabinet Flee From Rebellious Forces

ROME, Dec. 26.—The members of the Albanian cabinet headed by Premier Fan Noli, fled the night before the capital was occupied by the rebellious forces of Ahmed Zogu, former premier, according to the special correspondent of the Giornale d'Italia at Riana. The Fan Noli cabinet embarked at Durazzo for Avlona. The correspondent learns that Ahmed Zogu's government will install itself at Scutari.

Describing the entry into Tirana of the Zogu forces, the correspondent says: "The first detachment, strong sturdy mountaineers, from the Dibra region, arrived at 10 o'clock in the morning, commanded by a lieutenant. Their ragged uniforms showed the hardships they had experienced. The population of Tirana sent special delegates imploring the commander of the rebellious troops to enter the city without causing bloodshed."

"As the contingent of troops arrived, the city which only a few months ago was beflagged for the arrival of Fan Noli, was decorated for the entry of the Zogu troops. The communication between Tirana and Durazzo had been interrupted by both the disbanded government troops and by the rebels pursuing them."

VICTIMS OF FIRE NOW AMOUNT TO 34

More May Die; Christmas Eve Tragedy Casts Pall Over Whole City

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—(By the AP)—Death stood menacingly outside the doors of three local hospitals as the first victims of the Babb's Switch school fire on Christmas eve were buried in the Hobart cemetery today. The list of dead, which rose to 34 this morning, with the death of John Coforth, was expected to mount higher before dawn comes to signal a renewal of the interments. At the physicians' and surgeons' hospital Mrs. J. P. Noah grew weaker as darkness set in, and hospital attendants held little hope she would survive the night.

Mrs. Joe McNutt was reported slowly sinking at her rural home while Leola F. Eden battled with death at an improvised hospital in a physician's residence.

Mrs. Walter C. Biggers, in the Miles sanitarium, is not expected to recover. Night cloaked the Hobart cemetery as the last of the eight bodies buried today was laid to rest. In one grave sleeps the three Clements sisters, Gladys, Mary Lois, Mrs. Juanita Clements Stephenson and the year old daughter of Mrs. Stephenson.

Volunteer workmen were unable to complete today the huge trench in which 20 bodies will be buried. They will be interred tomorrow as will the remaining six.

A wreath of pink and white flowers, a lover's last mark of devotion to the earthly being of his sweetheart, went into the grave with the body of Gladys Clements. Claude Bolding, fiancée of the dead girl, dangerously burned, is in a hospital. They were to have been married yesterday.

The other buried today were the Revell children, Lee and Lellia, Mrs. Glenn Terryhill, teacher of the school, and Vesta Jackson. No ceremonies were held at the graves.

Hobart and Kiowa counties joined in a memorial earlier in the afternoon, ministers of all the city churches taking part.

Following the reading of the list of dead, the Rev. C. B. Kline, pastor of the Christian church, read from the 19th Psalm.

Sobs at times rising above the minister's intonations broke the rhythm of the Psalm to the dead: "Thou carriest them away as with a flood," he read. "They are as asleep; in the morning they are like the grass which groweth; in the morning it flourisheth and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down and withereth."

A piercing shriek from a sister of Vesta Jackson sent a shudder through the 2000 or more persons in the city auditorium as the minister finished. In that shriek the suppressed grief of a community was voiced.

Tears coursed down the cheeks of many who had known those who so gallantly went to the yuletide celebration which terminated in one of the state's greatest fire

Radio Amateurs Accomplish Two-Way Communication

ATLANTIC, Mass., Dec. 26.—What is believed to be the first two way wireless telephone communication between amateurs in England and the United States occurred Christmas eve between 7 and 8:15, eastern standard time, when Sheldon S. Heap, amateur radio operator here, communicated with and heard B. B. Clapp, Warwick road, Coltsdon, county Surrey, England, it became known today. The work was done on comparatively low wave lengths in the neighborhood of 100 meters, Mr. Heap said. The English station used more power than the American, sending on 1,000 watts as compared with slightly more than 450 employed here. The signals were received with such strength that the phones could be placed on the table and copied perfectly, Mr. Heap said.

Coolidge Will Call for Investigation of Mining

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—President Coolidge expects in the near future to call a conference of governors of the coal producing states to consider promotion of mine safety. The program for the conference, to which about 10 states having extensive coal mines will be invited to send delegates has been provided by the department of the interior and its bureau of mines. It is the intention of the president to hold the conference at an early date so that governors desiring to seek legislation along lines agreed upon by the conference can do so at the forthcoming sessions of the various state legislatures.

The department of the interior today reported that accidents at coal mines in the United States during November caused the death of 155 men, a fatality rate for the entire industry of 3.26 per million tons of coal produced.

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SMITH COLLEGE CREWS ARE TAUGHT HOW TO ROW BY ONLY WOMAN COACH



Miss Eleanor Clifton, head coach of the Smith College crews, is the only woman in the world to hold such a position. She is credited with having developed some of the finest crews in the country from the girl student athletes at Northampton, Mass.

old son near here today while the two were hunting. According to the boy, his shot gun, a Christmas present, was accidentally discharged just as he was about to fire at a rabbit. The full force of the shot struck Tomlinson in the groin, severing an artery. He bled to death while his son was summoning assistance.

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