

Specialties Show Upturn

Holiday, Rail Strike Threat Dampens Trading

By BERNARD S. O'HARA NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP)—A mild upturn in a mixed group of specialties near the close was the nearest approximation of a trend in today's stock market.

Until the final hour price movements generally were limited to small fractions. Selling carried no force despite an undercurrent of uneasiness over the badly snarled railroad labor situation.

Apart from the rail strike threat the approach of the Christmas holiday tended to discourage any widening of speculative activities. The day's transactions of 563,530 shares were the lowest since December 3 and compared with 656,320 yesterday.

Helped by the late bidding were such stocks as Sears Roebuck, which had a final gain of 3/4, American Telephone, up 1/2, Eastman Kodak, up 3/4, Douglas Aircraft, p 1/2, Owens-Illinois, up 1/4, and American Hawaiian Steamship, up 2.

Chrysler had a minor rise, while General Motors was a little under. US Steel and Bethlehem were unchanged. Santa Fe dipped 3/4, while other carriers were steadier.

Of the 802 stocks traded, 262 advanced, 315 declined and 225 were even with Tuesday's closings. The Associated Press 60-stock composite was unaltered at 49.4, or 1 of a point under the high range of December advance.

Lyons School Has Program

LYONS — The Lyons Methodist Sunday school will present its Christmas program Friday at the church. The Lyons school program will be given Thursday at the Rebekah hall and the Fox Valley school will hold its program Wednesday.

Mrs. Earl Wagner of Marion is spending several days at the home of her sister, Mrs. Robert Fetherston.

Mrs. Ivan Day, who underwent a major operation at the Salem Deaconess hospital is convalescing nicely.

Bob Brassfield, seaman first class of the US navy, is spending a ten-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Brassfield.

Ed Spa has been confined to his home for several days by illness. Spa is millwright at the Linn Lumber company mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lind of Corvallis visited relatives in Lyons last week.

Teachers Ill, School Closed

UNIONVALE — The Unionvale teachers were both ill with influenza Monday and no substitutes were available, therefore no school was held.

Among residents who are ill and confined to bed at their home the last few days are George Antrim, elderly native resident, and his daughter, Mrs. L. L. Thornton. Also Marion Boulden and Clarence S. Crawley.

Edward Nielson of Camp Adair spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Nielson.

Mrs. C. J. Countiss had all of her teeth extracted Friday, before noon, at Salem. She celebrated her birthday anniversary Sunday. Her grandson Donald Brown and Betty Rose O'Hara of Portland played a banjo and accordion selection dedicated to her on a radio broadcast from Gunderson's shipyard.

Goes to McMinnville

JEFFERSON — Harley Libby left Monday for McMinnville where he will visit the camp where Mexican labor is being lodged during the winter. He will also visit other camps. His work is in connection with the food administration.

Stocks and Bonds

Table with columns for Stock Averages and Bond Averages, showing various market indices and their values.

"Strictly Private" By Quinn Hall



It's Class Private Peter Plink 12-23

Wheat Displays Strength

Closing Prices Show Fractional Gain; December Up

By WILLIAM FERRIS CHICAGO, Dec. 22 (AP)—Wheat gave a display of steady strength in an otherwise erratic grain market today, closing on gains of fractions to more than a cent.

At the close wheat was 1/4-1/4 higher, May \$1.65 1/2, oats were unchanged to 1/4 lower, May 78 3/4-79, rye was 1/4 lower to 3/4 higher, May \$1.24 3/4-3/4, and barley was unchanged to 1/4 lower, May 1.22 1/2. The final price for December wheat was \$1.72-\$1.72 1/4. The \$1.72 1/4 figure equaled the season's high, the best price for a December delivery since 1925.

Wheat drew strength from reports that sales of government feed wheat were running as high as ever. Sales in the first 10 days of December, the Commodity Credit corporation reported, totaled 10,627,000 bushels. This corrected a report of the previous day, which showed negligible sales and induced moderate liquidation of futures.

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Californians In Buena Vista

BUENA VISTA — Mrs. Gail Prather received a visit from her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Willis of California, and their son, Elmer of Camp Adair, several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wells and family were Sunday dinner guests at Cecil Hultman's.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wells and sons were visiting relatives in Dallas Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Simpson who bought Gail Prather's home in Buena Vista, moved in last week. Mr. Simpson runs the Buena Vista ferry.

Mrs. Nels Hanson returned on Thursday from Nebraska and Kentucky where she has been visiting her parents and her daughter.

Cpl. Donald Weigel is here from California visiting his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Gordon have home from Tulelake, Calif., for Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thurston are rejoicing over the homecoming of their son, Bill. He has seen overseas service and been hospitalized for some time, but is better now.

Jerome Wilcox, E. D. Long, Mrs. Milford Hoover, Linsey Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and Victor are among those reported ill with the flu this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Wells received a telegram from their son, Donald, announcing his engagement to Miss Lyle Clear of Sidney, Australia.

Mill City Has Yule Program

MILL CITY — The Church of Christ presented its Christmas program Sunday night. After the program, Santa Claus made his appearance and presented each child present with a treat. The following program was presented: song, "Joy to the World," by congregation; scripture, Glenn Shelton, superintendent of Sunday school; prayer, Glenn Shelton; address of welcome, Glenda Swift; play, primary department; recitation, Joan Turnidge; recitation, Barbara Prodropsky; recitation, Shirley Jean Cree, beginner's department; recitation, Jerry Cruson, beginner's department; song, "Away in a Manger," beginner's department; "A Fat Girl's Trial," Jean Popkiss; "The Night Before Christmas," Joy Johnson, "atricia Cree and Bobby Shelton; song, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," junior girls; violin solo, Cleone Caplinger; "The Coming of the King," Gates young people; song by Mill City high school boys' quartet.

Buying prices for No. 1 stock, based on conditions and sales reported. Spring lambs 11.00 to 11.50 Yearlings 8.00 to 9.00 Ewes 3.00 to 4.00 Hogs, good to choice grade, 170-270 lbs. 14.00 Sows 9.00 to 10.00 Dairy type cows 3.50 to 6.00 Beef type cows 7.00 to 9.00 Heifers 7.00 to 9.00 Dressed veal 8.00 to 10.00

FRUIT: Apples — Jonathans 2.25; Baldwins 2.00-2.25; Jumble box; Winter Bananas 2.00-2.25; Spitzberg, Orley 2.25 box; Rome Beauty 2.25-2.50 box.

VEGETABLES: Broccoli — Green 1.00 lug and dozen bunches. Cabbage — No. 1 green 1.75-2.00 crate; red 2.00 crate.

CAULIFLOWER — No. 1, \$2.25 crate; near 1a, \$2. No. 2, \$1.85-2.15 crate. Celery — No. 1 green 2.75 crate; No. 1 white 3.75 crate; root 65-80c dozen; hearts 2.00 dozen bunches. Endive — No. 1, 80c dozen.

GREENS: Spinach 1.60-2.00 orange box; mustard 65-75c dozen bunches; kale 60c crate; swiss chard 50c dozen bunches; parsley 90c dozen bunches. Herbs: 1.00-1.50 box.

ONIONS — Green 90c dozen bunches; No. 2 dry 2.25 per 50-lb bag. Radishes — Red, 70-80c doz. bunches. Root vegetables — Bunched carrots 90-95c; beets 90c; turnips 80-85c dozen. Sprouts: Brussels, 3.50-2.75 flat box. Squash — Danish 70-75c per cantaloupe crate; Hubbard 1-1 1/2 lb.

PORTLAND GRAIN: Wheat futures and cash grain quotations. Cash wheat (bid): Soft white 1.45; soft white excluding Rex 1.46; white club 1.46; western red 1.44.

Hard red winter: Ordinary 1.45; 10 per cent 1.47; 11 per cent 1.50; 12 per cent 1.52. Hard white Bart 10 per cent 1.48; 11 per cent 1.49; 12 per cent 1.50.

Today's car receipts: Wheat 16, barley 3, flour 1, oats 1, mill feed 7.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK: (WPA)—Cattle: Salable and total 130 calves 50; market fairly active on beef cattle but slow on canner-cutters; few common-medium steers 11.00-12.00; good 1000 lb. steers 14.50; cutter-common light steers 7.50-8.50; medium-medium heifers 8.50-12.00; medium-

Young Farmers Form Union Local

ZENA — An enthusiastic group of young folk attended the Spring Valley Farmers Union meeting at Zena Friday night. Mrs. W. E. Krower, state Junior Farmers Union organizer was present and helped organize a Junior Farmers Union local here for boys and girls from 16 to 21 years of age. Mrs. L. I. Mickey will be leader of the group.

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The Farmers Union state convention will be held in Portland in February and members of the newly organized Junior Farmers Union local here plan to attend as there is a department for junior groups, in which they are much interested.

A younger group to be called



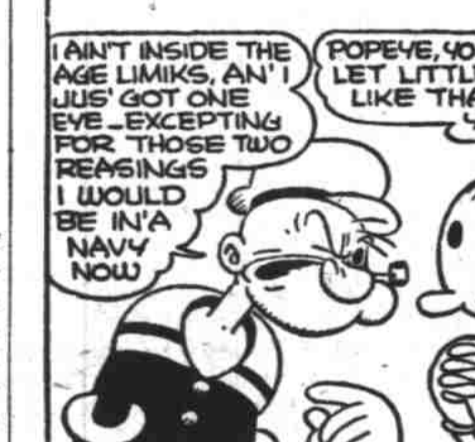
SCORCHY SMITH

WAIT, SCORCHY! LET ME CATCH MY BREATH! IT'S TOO SUDDEN! KATHY! I KNOW... BUT DON'T THINK ABOUT IT OR WE'LL BOTH WAKE UP! HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT! THE GUY COMES THROUGH MACHINE-GUN BULLETS WITHOUT A SCRATCH AND NOW HE GETS PLUGGED BY AN ARROW!



BARNEY GOOGLE

AN' ON PAGE TWO, LONZIE SAYS—I QUOTE: "I'M NOT A-FRETIN' ABOUT YORE GALLAVANTIN' BECAUSE BRUTHER CLEM SEZ NO EGGYFRIN' MUMMY WOULD BE SEEN TRAMPIN' WIF A DAD HAD LIKE YOU, PAW..."



MICKEY MOUSE

GOSH... I'VE GOT TO GET HOME QUICK! THE ELECTRONIC RAYS FROM THIS BOX ARE RUNNING AWAY FROM ME!



THIMBLE THEATRE

I AIN'T INSIDE THE AGE LIMKS, AN' I JUS' GOT ONE EVE EXCEPTING FOR THOSE TWO REAGINGS I WOULD BE IN A NAVY NOW!



LITTLE ANNIE ROONEY

MY STARS, ANNIE, I'M BEGINNING TO BELIEVE IN MIRACLES!

YES MIRACLES. FOR YEARS I'VE WATCHED MR. CARYN'S NO GOOD SON POSING AS A SOCIAL BUTTERFLY—NEVER SOLING HIS LILY WHITE HANDS WITH HONEST LABOR—

NOW LOOK AT HIM, WORKING LIKE A SLAVE, GRINNING AND WHISTLING LIKE HE ENJOYED HARD LABOR. I MUST BE DREAMING.

HE USED TO ACT SHOOTY AN' STUCK-UP. NOW HE'S LAFFIN' ALL THE TIME. IF THAT'S A MIRACLE, THEN I THINK MIRACLES ARE SWELL.

Grand Island Has Program

GRAND ISLAND—Many of the Grand Island students are ill with severe colds and influenza at their homes. The community Christmas program will be held Thursday at the Grand Island schoolhouse. The annual school Christmas party will be held at the school Friday afternoon.

The annual Mother's Circle Christmas party was held Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Asher with 19 present when the members entertained their husbands. Mrs. Clarence Rockhill was leader in group singing of Christmas carols accompanied on piano by Mrs. Morton Tompkins. Mrs. Worth Wiley directed games. Mrs. Fred Finnicum and Mrs. Henry Taylor served refreshments. Exchange of Christmas gifts was a feature enjoyed because many comic as well as useful gifts have always added interest in opening the neatly wrapped packages.

Silverton Mill Closed For Repair, Overhaul — SILVERTON — Silver Falls Timber company logging and mill operations have been closed down for three weeks during which time repairs and a general overhaul of the mill will be made.

One hundred and fifty of the regular crew of 250 will be unemployed by the mill during that time. Names of these men were registered Wednesday for unemployment compensation insurance, a worker from the Salem office of the UCC coming to Silverton to register them.



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