

HOLIDAY LULL SHOWN IN ALL MARKET LISTS

Portland, Ore., Dec. 24.—(A.P.)—A pre-holiday lull was shown in the local produce market this morning. Trading was light and limited to eleven-hour orders or repeats. All local markets will be closed Christmas but open as usual on Saturday.

Turkey prices held firm at the 45 cent level to the end. Fancy stuff cleaned up early but there is some No. 2 and cull stuff still offered on the street. There were no new receipts today to speak of and it is doubtful if there will be any dressed birds carried over.

A clean-up of other lines of fancy dressed poultry, including ducks, geese and chickens was also made. Egg values are two cents lower at 28 cents and all other grades 2 to 3 cents lower.

Extra cubes are a cent lower in the local butter market at 46 1/2 cents. All other grades are steady and unchanged. The butter market is showing a weak undertone.

Country dressed meat receipts were light today but there was little inquiry. Choice hogs are slipping with 15 1/2 cents the top and the bulk of the sales being at 15 to 15 1/4 cents. Choice light calves hold firm at 16 to 16 1/4 cents.

LIVESTOCK Portland, Dec. 24.—Cattle steady receipts none; calves none; steers good, \$7.75@8.25; med., \$6.75@7.25; common, \$5.50@6.75; culls and cutters, \$4.50@5.50; hogs, good, \$6.00@6.50; common and medium, \$4.50@5.00; cows, good, \$5.75@6.00; common and medium, \$3.50@5.75; canners and cutters, \$2.50@3.50; bulls, good beef (yearlings excluded), \$3.75@4.50; common to medium (canners and bologna), \$3.00@3.75; calves medium to choice (milk fed excluded), \$4.50@5.50; culls and commons, \$4.50@5.50; vealers, medium to choice, \$9.00@12.00; culls and common, \$5.00@9.00.

Hogs steady, receipts 1400; heavyweights (250 to 350 pounds) medium, good and choice, \$11.50@12.00; medium weight (200 to 250 pounds) medium, good and choice, \$11.75@12.00; light weight (160 to 200 pounds) common med. good and choice, \$12.00@12.25; light lights (120 to 130 pounds), cutter and stocker pigs, good and choice, \$11.00@12.00; packing hogs (rough and smooth), \$8.50@10.50; slaughter pigs (90 to 130) medium, good and choice, \$11.00@11.75; feeder and stocker pigs (70 to 130 pounds) medium, good and choice, \$10.50@11.50.

(Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotations). Sheep none; lambs good and choice (M.L. Adams), \$13.00@14.25; lambs medium to good (valley), \$12.50@14.25; heavyweights (92 lbs up), \$10.50@12.50; all weights, culls and common, \$9.00@12.00; yearling wethers, medium to choice, \$8.50@11.50; ewes, common to choice, \$5.00@8.25; canners and culls, \$2.50@5.00.

Portland Wheat Portland, Ore., Dec. 24.—(A.P.)—Wheat: HRS hard white, \$1.84; hard white, bluestem, hard, soft white, western white, \$1.77; hard winter, northern spring, western red, \$1.63.

Wheat's car receipts: wheat 75; flour 10; corn 6; oats 2; hay 12.

BUTTER AND EGGS Portland, Dec. 24.—Eggs current 28c; fresh standard firsts 29c; 29 1/2c; fresh standard extras 30 1/2c; underlines 21@21 1/2c.

Portland, Dec. 24.—Butter weak; extra cubes, city, 46c; standard prime firsts, city, 44 1/2c; undergrades nominal; prints 49c; cartons 50c.

Milk steady; best churning cream 44c; net shippers' track in some 11; raw milk (per cent) 12.60 cwt., f. o. b. Portland.

POULTRY Portland, Dec. 24.—Poultry firm; less five per cent commission, heavy hens 25@26; light 19@20; springers 25c; young white ducks 23@25c; turkeys dressed 45@46; live nominal.

ONIONS AND POTATOES Portland, Ore., Dec. 24.—Potatoes slow; new 12.50@12.65; onions 11.10@11.70.

NUTS, HOPS AND CASCARA Portland, Dec. 24.—Nuts steady; walnuts, No. 1, 27@32c; filberts, 21@24c; almonds 27@31c.

Hops quiet; new crop clusters 22 1/2c, fuzles 25c.

and under 12@12 1/2; heavier, 9c @10c; dressed veal 13c. Poultry: Springers 20@22c; light hens 16c; heavy hens 20@21c; old roosters 6@8c; slag roosters 4@6c; turkeys 30c live; dressed 40c; ducks 14@18c; geese 20@22c. Butterfat 47c; cream butter 48c; pullets 25c; med. 26c; standard 28c; milk \$2.44 cwt.; eggs per pecktable, ant. fruits: oranges \$4.50@5.50; Japanese oranges \$2.25; lemons \$5.50@6.50; grapefruit \$5.50@6c; bananas 10@10 1/2; apples, 11.50@12.50 box; 2 1/2 lbs. peaches 2.25@2.75; nacked vegetables: beets 2c; carrots 1 1/2c; turnips 2 1/2c; local 40@50c; onions, radishes 40c doz; bunches; tomatoes 20c pound; hothouse Oregon celery 40c@41.00 doz. 15 crate; California celery 90c@1.50; home grown cabbage 1 1/2c; local cauliflower 1.50@2.50; peppers 15c; garlic 20c lb; onions 2c; sweet potatoes 15.00@15.25; cranberries \$4.75 box; 1 1/2 bbl. cucumbers \$1.75; bulk dates 16c lb; lettuce, spinach 5c lb; California leed \$4.75.

MOHAIR GROWERS CONCLUDE 5 YEAR POOL CONTRACT

The mohair growers of the coast states who have pooled their 1925 clips with the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers are receiving a Christmas distribution in cash proceeds covering the year's sales and making a clean up on the season. This follows closely the returns sent out by the Association to the growers of wool in western Oregon and will be promptly followed by the closing of such other pools as have been completed, together with settlements for the sale of such additional clips of range wools as have been made to date. This will make a distribution of approximately two thousand grow ers in the current week.

The mohair prices received are satisfactory in view of the difficult conditions which have existed with reference to the manufacture of mohair products this year. These prices are particularly to the credit of the grades of hair and the condition is well illustrated by the explanation of a large manufacturer who is quoted as follows: "The mohair situation this year is quite different from anything which we have experienced for a long time. The market on long mohair, most of which comes from abroad, has been so high and the competition for our products so keen that we have changed our process so as to make it possible for us to use all fall Texas mohair. Having established this method in our mill and having figured our costs on this basis, we shall not be in a position for some time to pay any premium for long mohair. As a matter of fact because of the changes which we have made it would be rather inconvenient for us to use long mohair in our plant, even at the same price as the other. We do not believe this condition will last indefinitely but it has been existing for some time and we offer this explanation in answer to your inquiry. We certainly do not believe that the present demand for shorter mohair is going to affect permanently the entire mohair industry. We have always been believers in long mohair and particularly in well bred bright mohair of good grade. We believe, however, of several changes which might take place would tend to restore conditions to the former basis and do not believe that you have any more reason now to worry over the future of mohair than you ever had."

Private information is to the effect that a number of manufacturers are not at present using the Kid and Number One Mohair they purchased, but are holding some until conditions restore them to demand. The sale prices for mohair in the pool are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Mohair grade and price per pound. Includes Kid No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, Brown Ends, Carding, Steady, Black, Damaged, Kempy, Cotted.

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TURKEY TRADE BRISK; CLEANUP OF STOCKS MADE

The turkey came back strong with the Christmas holidays and the bird that fell down miserably as a Thanksgiving seller, swept the boards. Not a turkey was left in town by the time buying was over today and the birds went along at about cents a pound retail.

Harry Levy of the Aldget, who handled a vast quantity of turkeys this year, says that the expected slump turned into a triumph for the turkey and that orders would go unfiled because of the extremely heavy demand developing the last day or two before the turkey cutting day.

Unquestionably in numerous families the turkey, ordinarily the real Thanksgiving bird, was passed up in Thanksgiving menus due to the high price and the feeling that the Thanksgiving dinner would be staged at Christmas time when they figured turkeys would be cheaper. As a result the demand went far beyond expectations. All along, up to within the past few days predictions have been made that there would be plenty of turkeys for Christmas and as a result it was felt prices would decline at the last minute.

Geese and ducks also were a rarity this morning. Geese sold at rapidly and before noon the capboards were bare. The same was true of ducks, from all reports that could be gathered. In fact, markets were frantically telephoning back and forth in an effort to locate additional geese, ducks and turkeys, as well.

WINTER WHEAT ACREAGE SOWN

Washington, Dec. 24.—(A.P.)—The era of winter wheat sown this fall is 29,540,000 acres, which is 10 per cent less than the revised estimate of 32,956,000 acres sown last fall the department of agriculture today announced.

The sowings in the fall of 1923 were 38,664,000 acres and in the fall of 1922 they were 45,122,000 acres. Winter damage during the last ten years caused an average abandonment of 16.9 per cent of the acreage sown to winter wheat. The abandonment has ranged from 1.9 per cent to 28.9 per cent in different years during that period.

The condition of winter wheat on December 1 was 82.7 per cent of a normal, compared with 81.0 a year ago; 88.0 two years ago and 84.0 the 10 year December 1 average. The area sown to winter wheat this fall and the condition of the crop on December 1 by important producing states follow:

TURKEY PRICES STIFFEN AT SAN FRANCISCO San Francisco, Dec. 24.—(A.P.)—Turkey prices stiffened today in anticipation of a last day Christmas rush, but the receipts were lighter than generally expected.

The United States bureau of agricultural economics reported that the wholesale quotations for young dressed birds was 53 to 55 cents a pound, while the young live birds were 45 to 47 cents. Old turkeys wholesale for 42 and 43 cents.

The bureau recorded the receipts of 145,000 pounds of turkey from Montana; 128,000 pounds from Oregon; 20,000 pounds from Wyoming and 27,527 pounds from Nevada.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Axel Emil Eliasson, Presumed Deceased. Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in the county court for Marion county, state of Oregon, by Emil P. Slovarp, praying that a hearing be had to determine that Axel Emil Eliasson is dead, and for the appointment of the said Emil P. Slovarp as administrator of his estate; said Axel Emil Eliasson having been absent and not heard from for more than seven years prior to the filing of said petition.

The court, on the 16th day of December, 1925, in conformity with said petition, made an order setting said hearing for Monday the 1st day of February, 1926, at the hour of 10:00 a. m., as the time, and the court room of said county court at the place, when said court will hear evidence concerning the alleged absence of the presumed decedent and the circumstances and duration thereof; all persons are hereby notified that said hearing of said petition will take place at said time and place; first published Dec. 17th, 1925, last published Jan. 21, 1926.

EMIL P. SLOVARP, Petitioner. Waldemar Seton, attorney for petitioner, 204 Felling Bldg., Portland, Ore.

EDDY CAN'T REMEMBER STOCK DEALS

(Continued from Page One) at any of the meetings of the Salem Kings Food Products company?" asked Reilly. "I cannot answer unless I refresh my memory with the records." "Then I will ask you to refresh your memory" continued Reilly. "I don't know where the records are" said Eddy. "You had better get them or we will have to bring them into court," the lawyer replied. This led to the first display of verbal fireworks. Malarkey arose quickly and began a lengthy talk with the declaration: "You had better get them—you can't order this witness to go out and hunt up anything for you."

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HINDENBURG CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS WITH OFFICIALS Berlin, Dec. 24.—(A. P.)—President Von Hindenburg began celebrating Christmas earlier than most Germans. He assembled the officials and employees of the executive palace around a large tree yesterday, while his son and daughter-in-law distributed gifts. The president told his staff that Christmas was primarily a festival and that he considered them members of his big family. It is estimated that 600,000 geese have been sold in Berlin for tomorrow's dinners. Record sales of table delicacies, including fruit and nuts are reported.

Almost a million carp have been shipped to the capital within the last few days to supply the demand for this traditional Christmas delicacy.

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We begin this series of articles with a statement concerning Reverend S. M. Skaggs, the founder Skaggs stores. We want to close it in the same way by saying that the altruism and high purpose of the man found in only material regard in the way he would have it—the achievement of his life's ambition—to be able to preach the Gospel without charge wherever the need and to the limit of his capacity—and the funds to make this possible regularly find their way to him from the profits of the institution he founded.

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