

# PRICES OF WHEAT TAKE ANOTHER HIGH HURDLE

## CROP DAMAGE IN ARGENTINE BOOSTS PRICES

Chicago, Dec. 26.—(A.P.)—Sensational advances in the value of wheat took place today amounting in some cases to 3 1/2 cents a bushel. The maximum uptick for the December delivery, the bulk of business, however, was in May delivery, which scored a gain of 6 1/2 cents on some transactions, reaching as high as \$1.30 1/2 a bushel.

Profit taking sales on the advance led to sharp reactions. The final trading was of a highly nervous character with last prices four cents to 7 1/2 cents up December \$1.33 to \$1.34 1/2 and May \$1.29 1/2 to \$1.30.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—(A.P.)—Wheat prices jumped more than five cents a bushel today to the highest level yet this season. May delivery sold at above \$1.75 a bushel and December above \$1.46. Reports of fresh damage to crops in Argentina were at hand, and it was also current talk that mills in the United States have as a rule no more than a sixty day supply of wheat in their elevators.

For a market in the holidays, wheat developed surprising activity. Persistent buying was a notable feature.

Rales in southern and central Argentina were reported to be bringing about further harmful conditions at a critical time for the crop and were delaying the harvest. Such advice accentuated current reports of wheat shortage in the United States and that the close of domestic bread wheat supply and demand has never before been equalled.

Shortly before the wheat market closed, December wheat showed a gain of nearly 10 cents a bushel, having moved to \$1.85 1/2. May wheat meanwhile had climbed 6 1/2 cents a bushel to \$1.35 1/2.

## SOUSA AND BAND TO APPEAR HERE ON JANUARY 22

John Phillip Sousa's band, known throughout the world as the greatest musical organization of its kind will be offered in concert to the people of Salem and vicinity on the evening of January 22 at the armory under the local management of the Heilig theatre.

Announcement of the concert was made this morning by Archie Holt, resident manager of the Heilig theatre, following conclusion of arrangements with Harry Askins, tour manager for Sousa, who was here yesterday.

The Salem appearance of the great bandmaster, composer and director, and his organization on their thirty-first annual tour, is the result of an idea of Sousa and Mr. Askins to carry better music into the smaller cities of the country without financial loss to the local sponsors for the attraction. Under their system of cooperation with the local sponsors in promoting the attraction, which includes special advertising and educational publicity work, the organization houses that in the eight years the plan has been in operation no organization, regardless of the weather or season, has ever been compelled to dig into its treasury to make up a deficit on a Sousa concert.

Booking the Sousa attraction for the armory rather than the Heilig theatre itself was done to take advantage of the increased seating capacity of the larger building.

## CHURCHES

**LESIE METHODIST EPISCOPAL**—Corner South Commercial and Myers street, J. Willard De Yoe, pastor. We will close the year of Nineteen-twenty-five with appropriate services to which we extend a most cordial invitation to everybody. The Sunday school will be held at 9:45, A. E. Rhoten, Supt. The morning hour of worship will be held at 11 o'clock. The chorus will sing "Wonderful Story" by Adams. Mr. Corner singing the solo. The offertory will be sung by Mr. Lyman McDonald. "The Song the Angels Sang," Muehler. The pastor will speak on "Showers of Blessings." The two Epworth Leagues will meet at 6:30. Fred Donaldson leading the Intermediate and Guy Lang leading the Senior. The evening service will be held at 7:30. The pastor will speak on "Some of the Last Things." Mr. Alfred J. Wheaton will sing "Glad Home," from the lyrics of the hymn "From the New World." The chorus will sing "Arise and Shine," by Wilson. Every service is for you. Come and enjoy it.

**UNITARIAN**—Cottage and Chemoleta streets, Rev. Martin Ferechellan, minister. Church school at 10 a. m., graded instruction, Mrs. Miss McKee, Supt. Devotional services at 11 a. m. The minister will preach on "Looking in the Future." He will suggest what may be the outcome in the near future of religion in general and Christianity in particular. He will also comment on recent statements made by the eminent Jewish scholar, Rabbi Wise, and his significance for Liberal Religion, on Thursday evening at eight o'clock the Emerson class will meet at the parsonage.

Doorn, Holland. — Withelm preached a sermon, wore a Prussian general's uniform and sat on a throne, all on Christmas, to say nothing of sending poor families wood that he had chopped himself.

## Dawn Fish Discovery Extends Life Estimate Back Millions of Years

New York, Dec. 26.—(A.P.)—A fossilized fish scale, scarcely larger than a match head, discovered at St. Albans, Vermont, is forcing scientists to extend estimates of pre-human life back millions of years, the New York Times says today.

"Howells Dawn Fish" is the name that has been given this denizen of the Cambrian age which it had heretofore been supposed was peopled only by invertebrates and plants of low order. Although there is no information on which to base a description of this "fish plate," as it is called, scientists say it is highly important because it proves that chondrichthys, or primitive vertebrate, existed in what had been considered a "backboneless age," 50,000,000 to 100,000,000 years ago at the dawn of life in its lowest forms.

Professor D. F. Howell, of the department of geology at Princeton university, the discoverer of the plate said that it corresponded to the scale of the present species of fish. It was described as being part of the armour which probably defended the head and fore-trunk of some hitherto unknown fish. It is said it may throw light on the origin of the fish as a genus.

The plate is now in the Princeton museum of paleontology. Professor Howell and Professor Chas. Schuchert, of the department of geology at Yale, found it last summer on the final day of a field expedition which was of a series extended over 13 years by Professor Howell to find chondrichthys in Cambrian strata.

The fossil was found in shale which contained trilobites and brachiopods, which enabled scientists to estimate the age of the strata and indicated that fish might have had their origin in salt water instead of fresh, as had been believed.

## MINT CROP FOR OREGON TOTALLED 14,000 POUNDS SEEKS BERRIES ON THREE YEAR CONTRACT BASIS

With the crop all cleaned up, an estimate of 14,000 pounds has been placed on the Oregon mint crop for the last year by Dan J. Fry, the heaviest buyer. These figures are approximate. On this basis about 560 acres of mint was produced the last year and the crop sold at the highest price in history, going as high as \$14.50 a pound at the end of the selling season.

While the present idea is the mint acreage may be doubled next year because of high prices this year, nevertheless it may be not as large as expected, as it is known that a few who contemplate putting in mint already are getting cold feet because of talk of tremendous new plantings both here and in Michigan promised for the spring and fear that the market may go as relatively low next year as a result as it went up this.

It has practically been determined that the Hayes interests in the Latham country will put in about 100 acres of mint next year, and maybe more. This will probably go onto some of their land which has been leased for onion growing. This would swell next year's production in itself by about 2500 pounds.

## PANKALLA BUYS LIVESLEY RANCH POSTAL RECEIPTS GAIN 20 PER CENT

Independence, Ore., Dec. 26.—H. E. Pankalla has purchased a 237 acre ranch two and a half miles south of Corvallis, from T. A. Livesley of Salem. The ranch is completely stocked with modern farm equipment, and 123 acres of the land is in hops. The place is located on the state highway between Corvallis and Albany. It was owned at one time by James E. Cooper, who died some time ago.

E. F. Pankalla, son of H. E. Pankalla, the owner, has moved to the newly purchased ranch and will manage it for his father. The older Mr. Pankalla will move either to this city or to Corvallis. He has been manager of a hop ranch at Livesley for a number of years.

## Salem Markets

Compiled from reports of Salem dealers for the guidance of Capital Journal readers. (Revised daily.)

**Wholesale Prices**  
Grain No. 1 white wheat \$1.45; red wheat, (sacked) \$1.41; oats \$1.00; hay, oat and vetch, \$17.00.  
Meat, top hogs \$11.75; sows \$9.00; dressed hogs 16c; top steers \$9.60; cows \$7.50; top veal 9c; bulls 2 1/2 @ 4c; spring lambs 30 lb. and under 12 @ 13c; heavier 9c @ 10c; dressed veal 15c.  
Poultry: Springers 20 @ 22c; light hens 16c; heavy hens 20 @ 21c; old roosters 8 @ 9c; stag roosters 4 @ 5c; turkeys 20c live; dressed 40c; ducks 16 @ 18c; geese 20 @ 22c.  
Butterfat 47c; cream butter 48c; bull's 20c; med. 25c; standard 28c; milk \$2.44 cwt.; eggs per pound 22c.  
Vegetables and fruits: oranges \$4.50 @ \$5.50; Japanese oranges \$2.25; lemons \$5.00 @ \$6.00; grapefruit \$5.00 @ \$6; bananas 10 @ 10 1/2; apples \$1.00 @ \$1.25 box; Yakima potatoes \$2.25 @ \$2.75; sacked vegetables: beets 2c; carrots 1 1/2c; turnips 2 1/2c; local 4 @ 5c; onions, radishes 4 @ 5c doz; bunches: tomatoes 25c pound; hothouse Oregon celery 80 @ \$1.00 doz.; \$5 crate; California celery 90 @ \$1.50; home grown cabbage 1 1/2c; local cauliflower \$1.50 @ \$1.75; peppers 15c; garlic 25c lb.; onions 2c; sweet potatoes \$5.00 @ \$5.25; cranberries \$4.75 box; \$19 bbl. cucumbers \$1.75; bulk dates 100 lb.; lettuce, romaine 50 lb.; California feed \$4.75.

**HAVE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**  
Mountain View, Dec. 26.—Featuring a play, "Christmas in Golden Gulch," by the children of the school in their annual Christmas program, the Mountain View Parent-Teachers association held a meeting at the school house Wednesday evening.

The program was in charge of Miss Myrtle Lewis and Miss Audrey Tribble, teachers.

Following the program Santa Claus distributed packages of candy to the children present.

## EGG MARKET FIRMER; CUBE BUTTER HIGHER

Portland, Ore., Dec. 26.—(A.P.)—Trading in the local produce markets this morning was confined to a few odds and ends. Not much poultry or country meats arrived and sales were so few that definite prices were not established. Poultry and meat prices are nominal at Thursday's close.

The fresh egg market is firmer, especially on small sizes. Mediums are two cents higher and undersized 3 cents up from Thursday. Fresh standard, extra firsts and current receipts are unchanged. Pullets now listed at 30 cents on the exchange and undersized at 28 cents.

Standard cubes are a half cent higher in the butter market at 4 1/2 cents. Other grades are steady and unchanged.

Fruits and vegetables show a nominal tone with little or no change. Local dealers anticipate an improved tone in the potato market after the first of the year.

## LIVESTOCK

Portland, Dec. 26.—Cattle steady receipts none; calves none; steers good, \$7.10 @ \$8.25; med. \$6.75 @ \$7.85; common \$5.50 @ \$6.75; canners and cutter steers \$4.50 @ \$5.50; heifers, good \$6.00 @ \$6.50; common and medium \$4.50 @ \$6.00; cows, good \$5.75 @ \$6.00; common and medium \$3.50 @ \$5.75; canners and cutters \$2.00 @ \$3.50; bulls, good beef (yearlings excluded) \$2.75 @ \$4.50; common to medium (canners and bologna) \$3.00 @ \$2.75; calves medium to choice (milk teds excluded) \$6.50 @ \$8.50; culls and commons \$4.50 @ \$6.50; vealers, medium to choice \$9.00 @ \$12.00; culls and commons \$5.00 @ \$9.00.

Hogs steady, receipts none; 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 (150 to 200 pounds) common med. good and choice \$12.00 @ \$12.25; light lights (130 to 180 pounds), common, medium, 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.


The company reports having signed a contract recently with one of the largest preserving companies in the United States to furnish on a three-year contract 5000 barrels of strawberries, 3000 barrels of red raspberries, 200 barrels of red raspberries and 1500 barrels of loganberries. Mr. Stenberg is working hard to get the support of the growers so as to be able to supply the demand.

Baker, Kelly and McLaughlin are well known in Salem where they have been the heaviest barrels for years.

With postal receipts amounting to \$14,168.83 for the 15 day period from December 10 to December 24, inclusive, business at the local post office showed a gain of approximately 20 per cent this Christmas season over the Christmas season of 1924. This month will undoubtedly show a total of business greater than any other month in the history of the Salem office. It was stated today by J. H. Farrar, postmaster. Christmas packages were still being mailed here today, and business is expected to continue until the first of the year. Many packages received here for persons whose addresses had been changed were being forwarded today. As a basis of comparison, postal receipts for the 15 day period ending December 24 last year reached a total of \$11,697.02.

(Soft or city hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotations). Sheep nom. steady receipts none; lambs good and choice (Mt. 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 commons \$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. 26.—No firm; less five per cent commission.



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heavy hens 25 @ 26c; light 19 @ 20c; springs 25c; young white ducks 22 @ 25c; turkeys dressed 45 @ 48c; live nominal.

**ONIONS AND POTATOES**  
Portland, Ore., Dec. 26.—Potatoes slow; new \$2.50 @ \$2.65; onions \$1.50 @ \$1.75.

**NUTS, HOPS AND CASCARA**  
Portland, Dec. 26.—Nuts steady; walnuts, No. 1, 27 @ 32c; filberts, 21 @ 24c; almonds 27 @ 31c.  
Hops quiet; few crop clusters 22 1/2c, fuggles 25c.

**BRITISH CLUBS TO INVITE GERMAN MEMBERSHIP**  
London, Dec. 26.—(A.P.)—Since the Locarno reconciliation there has been considerable talk of "burying the hatchet" at the exclusive St. James Club and inviting the German diplomats in London to become members.

There has been hints that an invitation may be extended to the Germans some time early in the new year.

Some of the members of the St. James, which is the diplomats' club par excellence of London have not quite made up their minds, however, that this would be the proper step just yet, although the majority are understood to favor German membership.

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