

Markets and Financial

ATTEMPTS TO LIFT STOCKS STRIKE SNAG

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—Attempts to break the lengthy stock market stalemate met with further opposition in today's brief session and leading issues jagged over a narrowly irregular route.

While scattered specialties managed to tack on gains of a point or more, and fractional advances were fairly well distributed, minor declines were plentiful and numerous stocks ended at Friday's final quotations.

Dealings were about on par with those of last Saturday, the two-hour turnover approximating 400,000 shares.

Cheerful business items brought support for a handful of favorites but lack of much bullish war news, combined with more year-end tax selling to establish losses or gains for income statements, kept speculative forces subdued.

Air Reduction	40
Alaska Juneau	5
Al Chem & Dye	162
American Can	86 1/2
Am Chalmers	30 1/2
Am Chr & Fdy	28 1/2
Am Rad Sta San	6 1/2
Am Roll Mills	15
Am Smelt & Ref	42
Am Tel & Tel	166
Am Tob "B"	68 1/2
Aviation Corp	4 1/2
Am Water Works	6 1/2
Am Zinc L & S	7
Asacorda	26 1/2
Armour III	4 1/2
Atchison	10 1/2
Bald Loco	17 1/2
Bendix Avia	33 1/2
Beth Steel	85 1/2
Boeing Airp	17
Horden	19
Forge-Warner	18 1/2
Calif Packing	17 1/2
Callahan Z L	14
Calumet Hec	6 1/2
Canada Dry	12 1/2
Canadian Pacific	3 1/2
Cat Tractor	40 1/2
Celanese	27
Ches & Ohio	41 1/2
Chrysler	74 1/2
Gas & El	4 1/2
Com'l Solvents	10 1/2
Comm'n W'th & Sou	13 1/2
Consol Aircraft	24
Consol Edison	21 1/2
Consol Oil	5 1/2
Cont'l Can	37
Corn Products	43 1/2
Crown Zellerbach	14 1/2
Curtiss Wright	8 1/2
Doug Aircraft	76
Dupont De N	161 1/2
Eastman Kodak	132
El Pow & Lt	34
General Electric	32 1/2
General Foods	36
General Motors	40 1/2
Goodrich	13 1/2
Goodyear Tire	18 1/2
Gr Nor Ry pfd	26 1/2
Greyhound	10 1/2
Illinois Central	64
Insp Copper	12 1/2
Int Harvester	50 1/2
Int Nick Can	22 1/2
Int Pap P pfd	65
Int Tel & Tel	21
Johns Manville	58 1/2
Kennecott	35 1/2
Lib O Ford	29 1/2
Lockheed	27 1/2
Leow's	31 1/2
Montgomery Ward	36
Nash-Kelv	4 1/2
Nat'l Biscuit	16 1/2
Nat'l Dairy Prod	13 1/2
Nat'l Dist	23 1/2
National Lead	16
N.Y. Central	13 1/2
No Am Aviation	16 1/2
North Amer Co	16 1/2
Northern Pacific	5 1/2
Ohio Oil	6 1/2
Pac Amer Fish	9
Pac Gas & El	28
Packard Motor	34
Pan Amer Airways	15 1/2
Paramount Pic	10 1/2
Penney (J C)	83 1/2
Penna R R	21 1/2
Phillips Dodge	33 1/2
Phillips Pet	39 1/2
Proctor & Gamble	55 1/2
Pub Svc N J	28 1/2
Pullman	25 1/2
Radio	4 1/2

Carload Potato Shipments

Day of Month	Season 1940-41			Season 1939-40		
	Dec.	Daily	Season to Date	Daily	Season to Date	Season to Date
1	4	4	3244	16	16	2254
2	29	33	3273	20	36	2276
3	13	46	3286	5	41	2281
4	33	79	3319	10	51	2291
5	33	112	3352	18	69	2309
6	28	140	3380	21	90	232
7	40	180	3420	14	104	2344
8	3	183	3423	18	122	2362
9	36	219	3459	7	129	2369
10	33	252	3492	19	148	2388
11	32	284	3524	19	167	2407
12	25	309	3549	24	191	2431
13	28	337	3577	31	222	2462
14	45	382	3622	24	246	2486
15	16	398	3638	21	267	2507
16	12	410	3650	22	289	2529
17	29	439	3679	3	292	2532
18	46	485	3725	23	315	2555
19	32	517	3757	19	334	2574
20	54	571	3811	28	362	2602
21				21	383	2623
22					383	2623
23				13	396	2623
24				3	399	39
25					399	2639
26				19	418	2658
27				24	442	2682
28				26	468	70
29				28	496	2736
30				22	518	2758
31				14	532	2772

Month Shipments by Truck 170
Grand Totals 702 2942

Rayonier	17
Rayonier pfd	28 1/2
Republic Steel	21 1/2
Richfield Oil	8 1/2
Sears Roebuck	77 1/2
Shell Union	10 1/2
Socony Vacuum	8 1/2
Sou Cal Edison	25 1/2
Southern Pacific	7 1/2
Sperry Corp	37 1/2
Standard Brands	6 1/2
Stand Oil Calif	18 1/2
Stand Oil Ind	25 1/2
Stand Oil N J	33 1/2
Stone & Webster	7 1/2
Studebaker	8
Texas Corp	39 1/2
Trans-America	4 1/2
Union Carbide	68
Union Oil Calif	12 1/2
Union Pacific	75
United Airlines	15 1/2
United Aircraft	42 1/2
United Corporation	14
United Drug	4 1/2
U S Rubber	22
U S Steel	68 1/2
Warner Pictures	31
Western Union	20
Westinghouse	10 1/2

IVORY PINE FOLK MEET AT BANQUET

BLY — Several weeks ago the Ivory Pine mill employees and their families met at the annual party given by Pat Ivory at the Willard hotel Tuesday evening, December 17, the same crowd numbering over 200 persons gathered at the Sheraton hall in Bly to honor Ivory.

Al Krog of Ivory Pine mill was master of ceremonies and dance music was furnished by a Klamath Falls orchestra.

Late in the evening Ivory was presented with a riding saddle valued at \$250 as a token of appreciation. Refreshments were served.

Recently electricity has been made available to all citizens of Ivory Pine community.

Harold Crane of the Crane mills has had his logging road heavily graveled to facilitate logging operations which he expects to last all winter.

AMERICAN TELEPHONES
An increase of 846,000 telephones over the 1938 figures has brought the number of such instruments in the United States to a new all time high of 20,800,000.

Among the Pulitzer journalism prizes is one of \$1000 given for the best example of a reporter's work.

FORECAST FAILS TO SLASH WHEAT PRICE

CHICAGO, Dec. 21 (AP)—Preliminary forecast of a big 1941 winter wheat crop to be piled on top of a probable record-breaking carryover next July 1 gave the wheat market only a temporary setback today and wheat futures rallied a cent after an early fractional setback.

Prices dipped at the opening but later recovered and held fractionally above yesterday's finish. However, at around 791 for July, 1941, contracts, the new wheat crop was quoted a full dime a bushel below the price for contracts deliverable this month and about 20 cents lower than a year ago. Part of the demand was attributed to mills, with scattered flour business reported.

The official report placing condition of winter wheat at the best figure for December 1 in ten years was even more optimistic than the estimates of five Chicago crop experts released earlier this month. Furthermore, the government report showed acreage was 5.6 per cent greater than sown last year while the indicated crop of 633,000,000 bushels is 38,000,000 in excess of the average of the private forecasts and about 44,000,000 larger than produced last season with the poorest start on record.

The stubborn tone of the wheat market in face of these statistics was attributed largely to short covering on the part of dealers.

WOOL MARKET
BOSTON, Dec. 21 (AP-USDA)—Scattered sales in the Boston market this week comprised limited quantities of domestic wools and moderate quantities of Merino type foreign wools. Demand for fine and half blood foreign wools was somewhat broader than in the previous week and prices were firm. Quotations on domestic fine and half blood wools also were firm because of limited supplies and some demand at current quotations.

Quotations were very steady on domestic wools coarser than half blood. Graded combing bright fleece wools were quoted on a grease basis at 45-46 cents for fine delaine, 44-45 cents for half blood and 44-46 cents for three eighths and quarter blood.

Merrill

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bailey are expecting for the Christmas holiday, their son, William Bailey, Fresno.

Miss Louise Fotheringham, student at the Teachers' college, San Jose, is home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fotheringham.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kilpatrick are looking forward to the arrival of Miss Betty Kilpatrick, their daughter who is a student at Albany college, Portland.

Miss Kilpatrick will spend the Christmas vacation here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Baldwin will entertain at dinner Christmas day for Mr. and Mrs. George Baldwin, Klamath Falls.

A shower for the kitchen of the Presbyterian church was the highlight of this week's meeting of the Ladies Aid held at the home of Mrs. Melvin Bowman with Mrs. C. Bowman and Mrs. Ben Faus as co-hostesses.

Present for the afternoon were Mrs. Jim Daley, Mrs. John Taylor, Mrs. W. F. Jinnette, Mrs. J. L. Fotheringham, Mrs. Velton Haskins, Mrs. Miles Moore, Mrs. Lucy Taylor, Mrs. Clifford Taylor, Mrs. J. L. Haskins, Mrs. Warren Fruits, Mrs. Lawrence Mitchelmore, Mrs. Charles Brown.

Melvin Bowman and E. Shay

were in Grants Pass Thursday on business.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank E. Trotman expect as guests for the holidays, Mrs. Trotman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daws, Kirkland, Wash.

The auxiliary of Merrill post, American Legion, meeting in the kitchen of the Legion room this week enjoyed no-hostess refreshments after a brief business session. Present were Mrs. Ernest Buck, Mrs. Warren Fruits, Mrs. E. E. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Fred Stukel, Mrs. Elmer Stukel, Mrs. Percy Pierce, Mrs. Harold West and Mrs. E. A. McCollum.

Bly

BLY — On the evening of December 18, the forest service employees of Bly and Lakeview met at the Lakeview hotel for a banquet in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Quackenbush, of Bly. Mr. Quackenbush, forest ranger for this district has recently been transferred to the Siskiyou national forest.

Variety in teachers is the vogue in the Bly school at present. During Mrs. Hoffman's illness Mrs. Charles Stump presided over the English department. Mrs. Oscar Hirenjen is taking charge of Mrs. Obenchains room this week. Most of the pupils who were out because of illness are back. The Christmas program was given up but all rooms had gay parties of their own on Friday, December 20.

Bly Community church is planning a varied program on Sunday, December 22, Christmas readings, pantomime and carols will make up the entertainment.

Guests at the G. N. Elliott home are Mr. Elliott's mother, Mrs. Alta Elliott of Bothel, Wash., and Mrs. Elliott's mother, Mrs. J. R. Gynn of Puyallup, Wash. Both Mrs. Elliott and Jean are recovering after severe cases of influenza.

Bly Bob Cats, the local high school team, won by a 45-24 score over the Beatty town team at the high school gym on Wednesday, December 18.

Ed Kendall is the proud owner of a new water tower under construction on the hill above the headquarters of the present water system.

CAROLERS TO SING ON BLY STREETS

BLY — The Bly Music and Dramatic association met at Jean's Beauty shop for their regular meeting on Monday, December 16. Mrs. Lorraine Larsen and Mrs. Norman Bannister were co-hostesses for the affair.

After a short business meeting Christmas carols were practiced under the direction of Mrs. Archie Strong. Local people are placing lighted candles in their windows on Sunday evening as an invitation to the carolers.

Gene Detrick is president of the association this year. Many objectives have been set for the club for 1940-41. The purchase of a piano for the Community church was the worthy goal reached by the group last year.

SEVERE PENALTY
In olden times, Russia and Turkey had bans against pipe smoking, and smokers had their pipes stuck to their noses when they were caught using them.

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INSTRUCTOR DECRIES TB DEATH RATE

"Nothing in all the world is better proven today than that tuberculosis is a preventable disease and therefore needless. Yet it goes on year after year killing an army of 150,000 and desolating countless homes in which half a million men and women are dragging themselves to graves dug by this single enemy," stated David Bridge, Mills school physical education instructor, in a radio talk given Thursday evening during the Christmas seal sale that will close Christmas day.

"No feature of the modern public health movement in the United States has been so encouraging as the general decline in the death rate from tuberculosis during the past generation," he pointed out. "In 1910, there were 160 deaths for 100,000 of the population, and in 1938 there were 49 tuberculosis deaths in the same population unit. (During this period the Oregon death rate declined from 91 to 30 per 100,000.)"

"Great though the victories have been in the last 35 years tuberculosis is not under control as yet."

"Do you know that there were three deaths in Klamath county last year from tuberculosis? Do you know that when one person dies 11 have been contacted? Tuberculosis is catching."

"The average confinement for a person who has tuberculosis is from one to three years. Last year there were 15 persons in Klamath county who developed tuberculosis. For every person confined to the state sanitarium it costs \$60 per month. Thirty dollars is paid by the state and \$30 is paid by the county. The patient is free from cost except for what clothing is necessary while confined."

"But is he free from expense? The average working man makes approximately 62 cents per hour or \$26.25 for a 42 hour week. I might also say for one year the average wage earner makes approximately \$1365. No man working for wages can financially afford to spend from one to three years in a tuberculosis sanitarium. This is especially true if the victim has dependents."

"The annual Christmas seal sale is now in progress and will be until Christmas day. The

first seal sale in America was started on December 9, 1907. The next year, 1908, there was a nation-wide sale when \$135,000 was raised.

"When you buy Christmas seals you help make possible the discovery of people with early and curable tuberculosis, the forwarding of those exposed, the health education of adults as well as children and aid to recovered patients in obtaining suitable employment."

"Ninety-five per cent of the income from the sale of seals remains in the state where the seals are sold. Five per cent goes to the National Tuberculosis association which is constantly working out more efficient and economical methods for the campaign against tuberculosis which must be carried to victory."

"Tuberculosis is catching; it is preventable; if discovered in the early stages it is curable."

"Won't you help? Buy and use Christmas seals. Protect your home from tuberculosis."

ABOUT CAMPHOR
Camphor came only from camphor trees, mostly from Formosa, at one time. Today, the United States gets a large part of its supply from southern pine trees.

DEPENDENT ON OTHERS
Foreign sources are depended upon wholly or in part by the United States for the chromium, cobalt, manganese, nickel, tin, tungsten, and vanadium consumed in making its steel products.

DIFFERS
The guanaye, a Peruvian cormorant, differs from all other species in its fishing tactics. It searches for fish from the air; other cormorants dive and search under water.

LOTS OF RAIN
One of the heaviest rainfalls ever recorded in the United States occurred at Taylor, Tex., on Sept. 9-10, 1921, when 23 inches of rain fell during the two days.

LEGAL NOTICES
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
VAN BRIMMER DITCH COMPANY
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Van Brimmer Ditch Company will be held Monday, January 6, 1941, at 2 p. m. in Community Hall in Merrill, Oregon, for the election of five directors for a term of one year and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

J. L. FOTHERINGHAM,
Secretary.
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LAST MINUTE BUYING RUSH SETS RECORDS

By FREDERICK GARDNER
NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—Christmas shoppers in the final holiday buying rush made cash registers from coast to coast ring today with cheerful tunes of good business.

Swelling the shopping tide in retail trade districts of many industrial communities were thousands of consumers who had found jobs in recent months in war supply factories.

Manufacturing employment was estimated in business circles the highest on record, although several millions remained to be absorbed in private payrolls as result of the growth of the nation's labor forces in the past decade.

Overtime pay in defense-related industries, such as tools and shipbuilding, contributed to the Christmas spending spurge.

As the shopping whirl approached its climax in a wartime setting of free spending mixed with misgivings about the future of consumers goods production, trade reports indicated the best retail turnover since 1929 at industrial centers.

Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., said there was "increasing evidence that consumer holiday buying was shaping up to the best volume in a decade."

"Store traffic was of capacity proportions in many large cities and retail turnover in units frequently was found to be the heaviest since 1929," the mercantile agency added.

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