

WHEAT PRICES ARE AFFECTED BY CROP REPORT

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Weakness developed in the wheat market during the early trading today owing largely to predictions of 25,000,000 to 40,000,000 bushels increase of the government crop estimate this afternoon. Support was lacking. On the downturn, however, there was a scattered demand from shorts who wished to even up as a precaution against some possible surprise in the government estimate.

Subsequently, dry weather reports from the southwest together with talk of a probable bullish showing as to the acreage and condition of the 1922 crop tended to harden the market. Prices closed unsettled at 1/2c net decline to 1/2c advances with May 1.15 1/2 to 1.15 1/4 and July 1.05 to 1.05 1/4.

Corn was easier with wheat. After opening unchanged to 1/4c off, May 54 1/2 to 54 1/4c, the market underwent a slight further sag.

Higher quotations on hogs gave firmness to provisions.

CHICAGO FUTURES

Table with columns: Year, Close, Open, High, Low, Close. Rows include Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, May, July.

Live Stock Grain

Chicago Livestock.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Cattle receipts, 1,000; beef steers, mostly 25c higher; some up more; top, 9.00; bulk beef steers, 6.50@8.00; shee-sheep, 20c to 25c higher; bulls, strong; veal calves, strong to unevenly higher; stockers and feeders, firm.

Chicago Produce

Table listing various produce items like Butter, Eggs, Cheese, Poultry, Potatoes with their respective prices.

NOON LETTER

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Cash trade investors, foreigners, have awaited the 3 p. m. U. S. 1921 final crop figures. This with the Liverpool 1 penny off wheat close has brought a lower market.

Peoria Livestock.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 28.—Hogs: receipts, 2,200; top 7.90; bulk, 7.50@7.90; lights and mediums, 7.00@7.50; heavies, 7.50@7.75; packing, 6.00@6.25.

Kansas City Livestock.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 28.—Cattle: receipts, 3,000; beef steers steady to 1/2c higher; quality improved; top 1,400 pound weight, 8.00; mixed yearlings, 8.25; other sales, 5.75@7.75; calves and fat steers, steady to strong; odd vealers, 9.00; practical top, 5.30; better grades, 4.50@5.00; good heifers, 5.50@6.75; bulls strong to 25c higher; mostly 3.25@4.00; other classes steady, canners mostly 2.25@2.50; medium to good cutters, 3.00@3.50; practically no stockers and feeders on sale.

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ADDITIONS TO EARLY ADVANCE ARE REPORTED

New York, Dec. 28.—On the stock exchange today many additions to the early advance were made during the lively forenoon. Equipments, steels, oils and shippings continued to feature the advance.

Call money opened at 5 per cent. Stocks were active with a firm undertone at the opening of today's session. Speculative interest again centered in equipment, motors, metals and oils. American and Baldwin Locomotives were in further progress of accumulation with Pressed Steel Car, Studebaker, Stromberg, Utah, Inspiration, Mexican Petroleum and General Asphalt. Coalers were the only prominent rails. Reading rising one point. Mercantile Marine preferred, American Woolen, People's Gas and Davison Chemical advanced on short covering. Moderate reactions were recorded by Standard Oil of New Jersey, American Smelting and Sumatra Tobacco.

Liberty Bonds.

New York, Dec. 28.—Liberty bonds—Closing prices today were: 3 1/2s, 94.70; first 4s, 95.90 bid; second 4s, 95.80; first 4 1/2s, 97.20; second 4 1/2s, 96.90; third 4 1/2s, 97.90; fourth 4 1/2s, 97.30; Victory 3 1/2s, 100.05; Victory 4 1/2s, 100.05.

Silver.

New York, Dec. 28.—Foreign bar silver, 65; Mexican dollars, 49 1/2.

New York Money.

New York, Dec. 28.—Call money, firm; high, 5; low, 4 1/2; ruling rate, 5; closing bid, 4 1/2; offered at, 5; last loan, 5.

St. Louis Cash Grain.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 28.—Cash wheat: No. 2 hard, 1.07@1.15; No. 2 red, 1.12@1.14.

St. Louis Futures.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 28.—Futures: wheat: December, 1.11 1/4; May, 1.14 1/4.

Toledo Seed.

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Clover seed: Prime, cash, and December, 14.00; January, 13.50; February, 13.50; March, 13.25.

Flour.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 28.—Flour, unchanged.

Local Wholesale Market.

(Quotations supplied daily by Milan Produce company.) Cattle, heavy, a pound, 3 1/2@4c.

Weather Forecast.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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SOLDIER TRIES TO CUT THROAT

(Special Correspondence.) Sterling, Ill., Dec. 28.—Patsy Costello, a young man residing just north of Morrison, attempted suicide yesterday morning by slashing his throat and wrist with a razor.

Foreign Exchange.

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HOW WILL DEBS USE LIBERTY HE HAS BEEN GIVEN?

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Harding Meets Debs.

Mr. Harding had never seen Debs. He had been told for months of the wonderful personality of the aged Socialist. He really wanted to meet him and talk with him.

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PECULIAR CHARM TO FORDS OWNED BY STERLING MAN

(Special Correspondence.) Sterling, Dec. 28.—Whether it is a hoodoo working overtime or a peculiar charm to his cars, has not been solved yet by R. A. Robinson of Sterling, who on Christmas eve had a Ford sedan stolen. Just one year ago, on the same date and within a few minutes of the same hour, Mr. Robinson had another Ford sedan stolen. The first car stolen was recovered the next day and the thief is now serving time at Joliet. The car stolen last Saturday night has not yet been recovered.

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FRANCE IS ADAMANT ON SUBMARINE

(Continued from First Page.) by members of the delegation as "a joke."

Britain to Build Subs.

Discussing the present apparent deadlock in the conference naval discussions, a British spokesman today said that if the submarine question were not settled, Great Britain would assert her right to build not only submarines, but such auxiliary crafts as she believed necessary to defend her commerce.

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