

**PRICES OF POTATOES ARE IMPROVING**  
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at \$1.10@1.15 per cwt and U. S. grade No. 2 ranged from 10 to 15c lower. Carlot sales ranged from \$1.35 to \$1.40, and a few top sales were made at \$1.50 per cwt. Warehouses are supplying light quantities for the loading.

**Wisconsin Receipts Light**  
Waupaca, Wis.—Lower temperatures prevail here with a light blanket of snow. Other conditions affecting produce trade are practically unchanged. Potato hauliers are light, with slow movement and steady prices. Quality and condition at this point good. Carload sales f. o. b. of sacked round whites, U. S. grade No. 1, are being made at \$1.70 and \$1.75 per cwt. Warehouses are paying growers for bulk stock, No. 1 whites, \$1.15 and 1.30 per cwt. Other Wisconsin points show prices to growers about 5c higher, with haulings light to moderate.

Prices and conditions in the cabbage trade are unchanged.  
**Minnesota Storage Moving**  
Moorhead, Minn.—Red River Valley points are experiencing cold and clear weather. Hauling of potatoes has practically ceased, the greater part of the loading being made from storage. Trading is light, with only a few sales of sacked Red River Ohio and white varieties in carlots f. o. b. at \$1.25. Quality and condition is generally good.

**Seed Demand in Minnesota**  
Minneapolis.—The Minnesota potato market has remained firm during the past week and prices are holding steady. The demand for Red River Ohio has been slow, but white stock is moving well. "The best inquiry, however, is for seed stock and Triumphs with Cobbers next, have the best call. The market seems to be on a better basis and shows signs of strengthening.

Tuesday round and long whites sacked f. o. b. stations, U. S. No. 1, brought \$1.65 and 1.75 per cwt., and seed Triumphs, sacked, ungraded, \$2.20 and 2.28.

Wednesday the market was quiet and practically no trading was done. Thursday's market was firm and prices were steady and unchanged. Demand was moderate and wire inquiry for seed stock was increasing. Very little western stock has come

into this market and what has is rather high. Friday's market continued firm and prices were unchanged.

**New York Market Slow**  
New York City.—The potato market continued very heavy last week, with the congestion that has prevailed for the last two weeks still unreleased. A great many potatoes have been consigned in to the Harlem River yards from Maine and a great deal of this stock is not of very good quality and is hard to move. Then, too, on account of the holidays, retail dealers are devoting their attention to other commodities. Prices were much lower than they were last week. Advice from Maine indicated that the shippers were paying the growers \$2.75 and 3 per 165 pound barrel at loading station. The shippers were quoting \$2.25 and 2.40 per cwt. delivered Harlem River and the potatoes were selling in the yards all the way from \$4 to \$4.50 per 180 pounds bulk, according to quality.

State shippers were paying the growers \$1.67 per cwt. at loading station but the receipts up there were very light. The farmers were not hauling the potatoes. State shippers were quoting \$2.10 per cwt. delivered New York and states were selling at \$3.50 and 3.85 per 180 pounds bulk in the yards.

The market was higher at Middle West points, as Michigan and Wisconsin were asking \$2.25 and 2.50 per cwt. for sacks and \$2.10 and 2.15 per cwt. bulk delivered here. There were very few bulk western potatoes here.

There were practically no Pennsylvania potatoes in New York. Prices were held high in the country, as shippers were getting \$2.60 and 2.55 per cwt. loading station.

Down on Long Island, shippers were paying the growers \$2.65 and 2.75 per cwt. and Long Island stock was selling here at \$5 and 4.25 per 180 pound bulk.

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On the docks, Maine potatoes in 65-pound bags were bringing \$4 and 4.25 and Long Islands \$4.50 and .50. New York states were selling at \$2 and 2.25 and Westerns at \$2 and 2.20 per 100-pound bag. No. 1 Virginia and North Carolina potatoes were selling at \$3.50 and 4 per barrel. Jersey long potatoes were bring-



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ing \$3 and 4 per 165-pound bag.  
**Southern Seed Demand Good**  
Louisville, Ky.—The mild weather experienced during December facilitated shipments of various products, and also had the effect of gingering up the movement of seed potatoes from here which opened up this week. C. A. Schaefer, who, as usual, is active in the deal, says that his concern has heavy supplies which are being loaded out in straight and mixed cars. Cobblers are the principal variety and are finding a good demand. Triumphs, of which there is a comparatively good supply, are also being moved in quantities. Advice indicates that planting will be as usual in most southern commercial shipping districts, and new sections are to be developed. Peace news checked the inquiry along this line, particularly from those who expected extremely low prices, but lately the demand has been better and a normal acreage is expected.

Why, pardner, you're still sick. I can see them crawling all over you now."  
"German statesmanship," said Senator Smoot recently, "is so transparently crooked that it is laughable. It reminds me of the German waiter who was ordered to bring a bottle of Medoc to the man he was serving. He brought a bottle but instead of the Medoc, it was labeled Chabertin. 'But this is Chabertin,' the guest protested, 'and I ordered Medoc.' 'Ach, der stoopid donkey,' I distinctly told Fritz to put a Medoc label on dot bottle!'"

**INFLUENZA STILL CLAIMING VICTIMS BY THE THOUSANDS**

**Epidemic Breaking Out Anew From One End Of Country To The Other**

Warning to the country that the influenza epidemic is by no means ended, and that all possible precautions against the disease should be taken has just been issued by the public health authorities at Washington. Late reports show the disease is breaking out anew in its worst form from practically one end of the country to the other. Already there have been over 300,000 deaths from the disease and one prominent health official predicts that there will possibly be 750,000 deaths in this country next year from influenza and the ailments which follow it. The disease has been very baffling to the medical profession and health authorities frankly admit that ordinary preventive measures such as wearing of masks and closing public places seems of little avail.

Persons who are weak and run-down, and who have not the strength to throw off the influenza germ, are the earliest victims. Those who catch colds easily or who are suffering from catarrhal troubles are also early victims as the influenza mucus membrane linings of the nose and throat are an open door to the germs. If you are suffering from any of these symptoms, nothing will build you up and fortify your system against attack like Tanlac, which contains the most powerful tonic properties known to science. This statement is easily proven by the fact that this celebrated medicine is now having the greatest sale of any system tonic in the history of medicine. It has been accomplishing remarkable results during the present epidemic and hundreds of thousands who have used it are enjoying the best of health. One prominent physician in Texas frankly stated that he had found Tanlac to be the finest tonic to be had for building up his patients who had had influenza.

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**Marked.**  
Mother—"Don't cry, dear. Which one of the naughty boys was it that hit you?" Tommy—"The one with the black eye."—Boston Transcript.

**LLOYD'S COLUMN**

Doc Bixby in his column of "Daily Drift" in the State Journal said recently: "If the scandal touches you, you want all reference to it kept out of the paper. If a neighbor, you demand for it the fullest publicity."

**A Car Of Another Make**  
(Dedicated to F. D. McCormick)  
My auto, 'tis of thee,  
Short cut to poverty—  
Oft thee I chant,  
I blew a pile of dough  
On you two years ago,  
And now you quite refuse to go,  
Or won't or can't.

Through town and countryside,  
You were my joy and pride;  
Ah, happy days,  
I loved thy saudy hue,  
Thy nice white tires so new,  
But now you're down and out for true  
In every way.

To thee, old rattle-box,  
Came many bumps and knocks;  
For thee grieve,  
Badly thy top is torn,  
Thy seats are old worn,  
The whooping-cough affects thy horn,  
I do believe.

Thy perfume swells the breeze,  
While good folks choke and sneeze,  
As we pass by.  
I paid for thee a price  
"I would buy a mansion twice,  
Now, everybody's yelling "ice"—  
I wonder why?

Thy motor has the grip,  
Thy spark plug has the pip  
And woe is thine;  
I, too, have suffered chills,  
Ague and kindred ills,  
Endeavoring to pay my bills  
Since thou wert mine.

Gone is my bank roll now,  
No more 't would choke a cow  
As once before,  
Yet if I had the mon,  
So help me, John—amen,  
I would buy myself a car again,  
And speed some more.  
—Exchange.

"Twas a zoology class at a Saint Monica primary school. They had just been studying the rhinoceros, and had been enthusing over his wonderful armored hide. "And what is this?" asked the teacher, turning to the picture of a giraffe. "Well, Johnny, tell us," in answer to an eagerly raised hand. "It's a unicorn. You can tell by its bloomin' periscope."

"There was a good deal of baseball played in London last summer, and the doughboys often took English girls to see the games," said Earl Dun more at a Washington reception. "I heard of a doughboy who said to girl as they entered the ball grounds together: 'If there's anything you want explained tell me. I guess a lot of things seem meaningless to you.' 'Everything seems meaningless,' said the girl, 'and some things seem idiotic.' 'What seems idiotic?' asked the doughboy. 'Well said the girl 'why do you call the seats the stands?'"

"The Germans," said Representative Tinkham of Massachusetts, "still talk solemnly to one another about their defensive war which the Allies thrust upon them. They remind me of two pallid, wild-eyed men in a bar-room. 'I've been very sick,' said the first man, and he shuddered, 'I had snakes and lizards crawling all over me!' The second man looked at his friend and then he too, shuddered."

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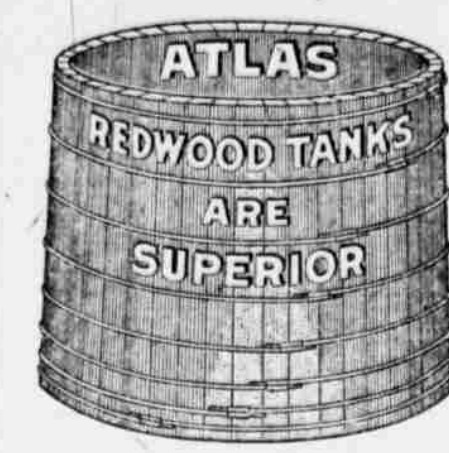
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