

LOWER VALUES IS CAUSE OF DECLINE

Foodstuff Exports from the United States Fell Off More than \$500,000,000 In a Year.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—Foodstuff exports during the past fiscal year fell off by more than \$500,000,000 as compared with the fiscal year of 1921, according to foreign trade reports issued by the commerce department. The total value of foodstuff exports in 1922 amounted to \$780,000,000, as against \$1,280,000,000 in 1921. The bulk of the decrease was due largely to the decreased price of wheat, the department explained. Exports of wheat, aggregating 175,000,000 bushels, valued at \$110,000,000, in 1922, were practically three times as great as in 1921. Exports of wheat for 1922 aggregated 208,000,000 bushels, worth \$286,000,000, against 253,000,000 bushels, worth \$390,000,000, in 1921. Exports of flour for the year aggregated 10,000,000 barrels, worth \$10,000,000, against 10,000,000 barrels, worth \$150,000,000. Rice exports for the year aggregated 508,000,000 pounds, worth \$19,000,000, as compared with 441,000,000 pounds, worth \$19,000,000, in 1921.



(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Aug. 2.—Cattle, hogs were steady, sheep easier and eggs easy with better firm today.

WHEAT REMAINS THE SAME
PORTLAND, Aug. 2.—Wheat was quoted at \$1.03 to \$1.08 today.

INVENTOR OF
TELEPHONE
DIED TODAY
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Bell reached a crisis in his life at the age of 22, when he was threatened with tuberculosis. The white plague caused the death of his two brothers and the loss of his family migrated to Brantford, Canada. A meeting at that time with Sir Charles Wheatstone, the English inventor of the telegraph, fired the young electrician with ambition to invent a musical, or multiple, telegraph, which eventually turned out to be a telephone. His father, while giving a lecture in Boston, actually mentioned the son's success in teaching London deaf mutes. This led the Boston Board of Education to offer the young Bell \$500 to introduce his system in the newly opened school for deaf mutes. He was then 24 years old, and instantly became the educational sensation of the day. He was appointed a professor in Boston University, and opened his instantly successful "School of Vocal Physiology."

Pats All Time to Inventions. But teaching interfered with his inventing, and he soon gave up all but two pupils. One of these was Mabel Hubbard, of a wealthy family. She had lost her hearing and speech in an attack of scarlet fever while a baby. It was she who later became Bell's wife. Bell spent the following three years in night work in a cellar in Boston, Mass. His money-needs were met by Gardner G. Hubbard, his future father-in-law, and Thomas Sanders, the owner of the cellar. As he worked he began to see the possibility of conveying speech over an electrically charged wire—the telephone. He used a dead man's ear for a transmitter. "If I can make a deaf mute talk," Bell had declared, "I can make you talk." His first success came while test-

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ing his instruments in his new quarters in Boston. Thomas A. Watson, 1862's assistant, had struck a clock spring at one end of the wire, and Bell was electrified to hear the sound in another room. For forty weeks the instrument struggled, as it were, for human speech. Then on March 10, 1876, Watson became almost inane with joy when he heard over the wire Bell's voice saying: "Mr. Watson, come here, I want you."

On his 29th birthday, Bell received his patent. It was at the Centennial Exposition held at Philadelphia, two months later, where men of science the world over who had come to examine and study the numerous inventions exhibited, saw Prof. Bell give a practical demonstration of the transmission of the human voice by electricity.

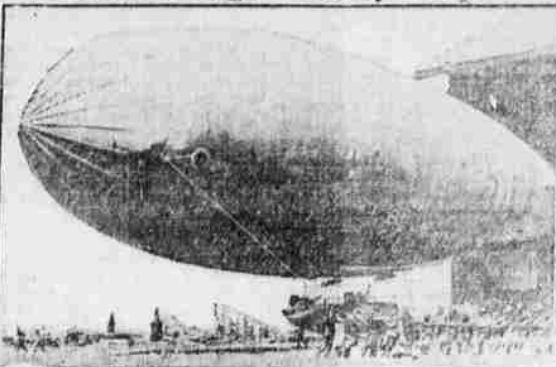
SAGE HENS ARE NOW PROTECTED

The open season on sagehens came to a close with sunshin Monday evening with many local sportsmen taking the last opportunity of bagging a few of the "chickens" before Old Sol took his count. The 1922 season opened with sun-up on July 16 and many hunters got their limit on that day and on preceding days. Hunting was good near Medford, Mt. Hood and several other places in Union county although it was found necessary to have a good dog, as the birds hid especially close this year and often failed to take the air when the hunter who had a dog was within a few feet of them. The open season on deer in August 15 to October 31 throughout the state. Game and native pheasants may be hunted from August 20 to September 30 and the season on Chinese pheasants and quail is from October 15 to October 31. Prairie chickens may be hunted during the same time limit as on Chinese pheasants and quail.

NEIGHBORS MAY FIGHT FOR TOGA

(By Associated Press)
PROVIDENCE, R. I., Aug. 2.—A fight for a United States senatorship between Peter Goulet Gerry and former Governor R. Livingston Beaman, both originally from New York, who live next door to each other along the ocean front of Newport and who have both nobbed over tennis nets and on the polo field, promises to be the feature of the approaching political campaign in Rhode Island. Mr. Gerry, who is a son of Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry of New York, captured a senate seat from Henry L. Lippitt in 1914. He is a democrat, while Mr. Beaman, who will oppose him as the republican candidate, served his month in politics as a state representative from Newport, and finally as governor. There are no primaries in this state. Both parties will hold their

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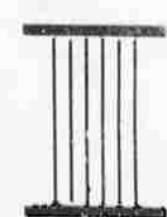
conventions early in October. While the senatorial nominations are virtually concluded, the rest of both tickets from governor down is in doubt. Prohibition enforcement and the long textile strike have aroused antagonism within the republican party, which today had all the state offices. Governor Emory J. San Souci is expected to be candidate for a second nomination.

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