

Favorable Trade Balance of \$18,000,000 in August

GAIN IN EXPORT TRADE NOTED IN FEDERAL REPORT

Imports of Gold Exceed Exports By \$6,103,000; Silver Imports Also Lead Exports.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (AP)—An increase of \$2,158,000, in the value of merchandise exported from the United States in August as compared with July, and an increase of \$11,580,000 in imports was announced today by the commerce department. The month ended with a favorable trade balance of \$18,000,000.

The merchandise exported during last month was valued at \$109,000,000 as compared with \$106,842,000 in July while the imports were valued at \$91,000,000 as compared with \$79,420,000 the previous month.

The increase in exports was due to the greater exports of cotton during August when the value of such shipments amounted to \$18,112,608 as compared with \$15,853,860 the previous month.

The department gave no reason for the increase in the imports but it was pointed out that increased activities in manufacturing probably caused an increase in importations of material.

The department statement showed that during August imports of gold had exceeded exports by \$6,103,000 with exports of \$18,067,000 and imports of \$24,170,000. Silver exports were \$453,000 and the imports were \$1,554,000.

WOOL REPORT

BOSTON, Sept. 16 (AP)—The Commercial Bulletin will show tomorrow "Activity in the wool market has slackened decidedly. Sales made during the week, however, have been at prices fully equal to any previously made in the current upward movement. In fact, early in the week, fractional advances were secured on some medium grade wools, both greasy and scoured. Scoured wools appear to have been more active relatively than greasy combing wools, this week."

"In the west, there has been some further movement of wools at prices fully up to or a little better than the prices reported a week ago, and some territory wool is reported to have been purchased at prices fully equal to 40 cents, clean landed Boston."

"Brisbane has been a shade higher than Sydney was last week. The Liverpool East India sales showed the expected appreciation over the previous series of 15 to 20 per cent and London is expected to show Tuesday a similar appreciation over the July series."

"The piece goods markets have been less active this week, but some very substantial business has been placed, and the mills are standing pat on the advanced prices recently made."

"Mohair is moderately active and prices are steady."

The Bulletin will publish the following quotations:

Scoured basis: Oregon: fine and f. m. staple 45-48; fine and f. m. P. combing 42-44; fine and f. m. clothing 37-39; valley No. 1, 41-43.

Mohair: Oregon 13-14; domestic graded, first combing 24-25; second combing 22-23; third combing 15-18; fourth combing 15-16; good carding 24-25; first kid 45-50; second kid 35-40.

SUGAR AND FLOUR

PORTLAND, Sept. 16 (AP)—Sugar—Cane, granulated \$4.50 100 lbs.; beet sugar \$4.30 100 lbs.

Domestic flour—Selling price delivered: patent 42s \$5.50; do 48s \$5.30; bakers' bluestem \$4.10; soft wheat pastry patent \$3.40 \$5.20; rye \$4.50 \$4.60.

PORTLAND PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Sept. 16 (AP)—Country meats—Lamb 9 1/2c lb. others unchanged.

Hops—Nominal, 1932, 13 1/2c lb.

Butter, butterfat, eggs and live poultry unchanged.

Onions, potatoes, wool, hay, mohair, nuts, cascara bark and hops quotations unchanged.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 16 (AP)—Wheat closed: Oct. 57; Dec. 56 1/2; May 57 1/2. Exchange \$3.47.

MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
Sept. (old)	.49 3/4	.50 3/4	.49 3/4	.49 3/4
Dec. (new)	.49 3/4	.50	.49 3/4	.49 3/4
May	.52 1/4 @ .53	.53 1/4	.52 1/4	.52 1/4 @ .53
	.58	.59 1/4	.57 3/4	.58 1/4 @ %

PORTLAND WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
Sept.	.49 3/4	.49 3/4	.49 3/4	.49 3/4
Dec.	.52	.52	.52	.52
May	.56	.56 1/4	.56	.56

CHICAGO CORN				
	Open	High	Low	Close
Sept.	.27 1/4	.28	.27 1/4	.27 1/4
Dec.	.29 1/4 @ .30 1/4	.30 1/4	.29 1/4	.29 1/4 @ %
May	.34 1/4 @ %	.35 1/4	.34 1/4	.34 1/4 @ %

SHORTAGE OF CUCUMBERS IN MARKET TODAY

PORTLAND, Sept. 16 (AP)—Great shortage of cucumbers for pickling as a result of the continued dry weather, created additional strength in that line today on the east side farmers' wholesale market. There was a better call for all cucumbers with the possible exception of slicing or table stock. No. 1 pickling sold mostly 40c box with 30c the general price for 36.

Peach market situation appears changing. Elbertas are inclined to rule easy while J. H. Hales are firmer to slightly higher. A nickel better was obtained for some offerings during the day. Chief demand is for The Dalles and the Willamette valley offerings with Yakima still suffering as a result of the recent seizures by officials for misbranding. Sales of Elbertas were generally 25c with a few 30c box while J. H. Hales sold 35-45c box.

Potato market was less active with sales slow and inclined to show a trifle weakness.

Onions were easy to a nickel lower with sales of Oregon 70-75c and Walla Walla down to 60c central.

Dillard cantaloupes showed a wide spread of quality with the best around 85c.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 16 (AP)—Cattle 100 calves 20c steady. Steers 600 to 900 pounds medium \$4.50 @ \$6.00, common \$2.50 @ \$4.50; 900-1100 lbs. medium \$4.50 @ \$6.00, common \$2.50 @ \$4.50; 1100-1300 lbs. medium \$4.00 @ \$5.85; heifers 550-850 lbs. medium \$3.25 @ \$4.75, common \$2.25 @ \$3.25. Cows, common and medium \$2.00 @ \$3.50, low cutter and cutter \$1.50 @ \$2.00; bulls, yearlings excluded, good and choice (beef) \$2.50 @ \$3.00, cutter, common and medium \$1.50 @ \$2.50; vealers (milk fed) good and choice \$6.00 @ \$6.50, medium \$4.50 @ \$6.00, cull and common \$3.00 @ \$4.50; calves 250-500 lbs. good and choice \$4.50 @ \$6.00, common and medium \$2.00 @ \$4.50.

Hogs 350, fully steady. Light lights 140-180 lbs. good and choice \$4.25 @ \$5.00; lightweights 150-180 lbs. good and choice \$4.75 @ \$5.00, 180-200 lbs. good and choice \$4.75 @ \$5.00, medium weight 200-220 lbs. good and choice \$4.25 @ \$5.00, 220-250 lbs. good and choice \$4.00 @ \$4.55; heavyweights 250-290 lbs. good and choice \$3.85 @ \$4.75, 290-350 lbs. good and choice \$3.50 @ \$4.50; packing sows 275-500 lbs. medium and good \$3.00 @ \$3.75; feeder-stocks 70-150 lbs. good and choice \$4.00 @ \$4.50.

Sheep and lambs 2000, steady. Lamb 90 pounds down, good and choice \$4.25 @ \$4.50, medium \$3.50 @ \$4.25, all weights, common \$2.50 @ \$3.50; yearling wethers 90-110 lbs. medium to choice \$1.25 @ \$2.85; ewes 120 lbs. medium to choice \$1.00 @ \$1.25, 120-150 lbs. medium to choice \$1.25 @ \$1.00, all weights, cull to common 50 @ 75c.

PORTLAND CASH

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 16 (AP)—Cash wheat: Big Bend bluestem 56 1/2c. Soft white 49c. Western white 48 1/2c. Hard winter 48 1/2c. Hard spring 48 1/2c. Northern spring 48 1/2c. Western red 47 1/2c. Oats: No. 2 white \$17.00. Today's car receipts: wheat 55; flour 11; corn 2; oats 2; hay 2.

WINNIPEG WHEAT

WINNIPEG, Sept. 16 (AP)—Wheat close: Oct. 51; Dec. 52 1/2; May 57 1/2. Cash wheat: No. 1 northern 50 1/2; No. 2 northern 48; No. 3 northern 46 1/2.

Butter Firm In Oregon Market; Stocks Increase

PORTLAND, Sept. 16 (AP)—Increased stocks of freshly churned butter are noticeable in the local trade. Late receipts from out-of-state points show a rather liberal increase over the preceding week and there was a like gain in the churning of centralizers.

The country movement in this direction is receiving aid from the less keen demand from California points although no late changes of moment are reflected there.

The Portland market's undertone continues perhaps the firmest of any of the leading centers of the country. In the east recent trading has been noticeably easier with further fractional price reductions almost general.

Butterfat situation appears strong. Market for eggs is generally without change in the local territory but appears to have reached its immediate maximum generally. There remains a steady tone in most markets.

Generally steady tone is continued in the market for live chickens along the wholesale way with recent prices on hens continued. A shortage of small broilers continues.

There remains a rather slow, but seasonal call for dressed as well as live turkeys of the new crop with old crop quality insufficient generally to find offers from buyers. Small turkeys alone are needed.

Gaining supplies are reflected in the market for country killed lamb as a result of the filling up of the California demand. Prices here are fairly steady but show a general extreme of 9c 9 1/2c lb. Hogs and veal are unchanged.

Indicating early fall season is the arrival here from California of such specialty vegetables as brussels sprouts and artichokes. The former brought 7 @ 8c and the latter 45 @ 50c dozen.

With receipts decreasing broilers were generally asking a nickel a box advance for Yakima peaches. General trade was also up about the same amount for Elbertas and J. H. Hales.

Notes of wholesale trading:

Small supplies of Yakima Jonathan apples are being offered \$1.25 @ \$1.30 box generally for combination fancy and extra fancy.

Shortage of lemons here until arrivals due late in the day. All citrus prices firm.

Extremely heavy supplies of Yakima potatoes are unsold on Portland tracks.

Onion market is drifting with little price change.

Cantaloupes are inclined to rule a trifle easier again.

Tomatoes continue in active call but at low prices.

Demand for pickling cucumbers is above current supply.

BUTTERFAT

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16 (AP)—Butterfat f. o. b. San Francisco 22c.

LA GRANDE RETAIL MARKETS

Sugar, 100-lb. sack		60.19
Vegetables		
Parsley, bunch		6c
Cabbage, lb.		8c
New wax onions, lb.		8c
Turnips, 3 bunches		10c
Carrots, 3 bunches		10c
Potatoes, 20 lbs.		25c
Potatoes, sack		\$1.25
Onions, lb.		5c
Tomatoes, 5 lbs.		25c
Eggplant, lb.		15c
Beets, 3 bunches		10c
Lettuce, Imperial		5 @ 10c
Garlic, lb.		85c
Beans, 3 lbs.		5c
Fennel, lb.		7c
Celery, bunch		10c
Cauliflower, lb.		12c
Cucumbers, 2		5c
Corn, doz. ears		15c
Red peppers, lb.		30c
Green peppers, lb.		10c

Fruit		
Peaches, basket		10c
Cantaloupes, 4 for		19c
Bananas, lb.		8c
Apples, box		50c @ 83
Lemons, doz.		45c
Oranges, doz.		10 @ 50c
Dry prunes, 30 to 40 size, 4 lbs.		25c
Figs, lb.		25c
Green apples, lb.		5c
Watermelons, lb.		25c
Honeydew melons		25c
Grapes, lb.		10c
Plums, 3 lbs.		10c
Casabas, each		25c

Dairy		
Butter, creamery, lb.		25c
Cheese, lb.		15 @ 25c
Honey, comb		20c
Cottage cheese, lb.		20c

Eggs		
Fresh extras, doz.		23c
Mediums, doz.		18c
Mixed, doz.		15c

Flour		
Hard Federation, 40 lbs.		\$1.25
Per barrel		4.75
Soft wheat, bbl.		4.00

Meat		
Beef, boll, lb.		8c
Pot roast, lb.		12 1/2 @ 15c
Chops and steaks, lb.		15 @ 20c
Hamburger, lb.		15c
Ham, lb.		17c

Fish		
Salmon, lb. (fresh)		20c
Halibut, lb. (fresh)		18c

Much Interest Is Shown In L. H. S. Family Tickets

Much interest is being displayed in the new family ticket which is being presented for the first time by the La Grande High school student body. Burke Inlow, president of the Associated Students, states that this is the most outstanding value ever offered in the history of the High school.

Announcement of prices will be found elsewhere in today's "Observer."

The family ticket will admit to the following games which will be played here.

Football: Walla Walla, Enterprise, Wallawa, Union.

Basketball: Joseph, Union, Cove, North Powder, Enterprise, Baker, Imbler, Pendleton.

Ferns Dig as Trees

So fast did the great ferns grow and finish their span of existence in the carboniferous era that it is believed possible by geologists that coal formations were comparatively rapid. At that time the ordinary horsehairs and club mosses of the present day grew to the heights of great trees. Impressions made in the rock strata of those far distant days prove this assertion.

Nothing in Old Belief

There is no foundation for the popular belief that fence posts rot less quickly if the lumber is set upside down from the way it grew; in fact, forest service tests indicate just the opposite.

Odd Coat of Arms

The arms of the Isle of Man consists of three legs in armor, flexed at the knee. The symbolism is that the Isle of Man "kneels to England, kicks at Scotland and spurns Ireland."

Plan for Privacy

"Sporting one's oak" originated in English universities, and means to shut the door as a sign of being engaged. Most rooms at colleges have two doors, the outer one of oak, which is closed when the occupant is away.

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