BREWERS TAKE HOPS

Contracts Are Accepted as in Former Year.

NOT MANY CAN BE USED

Picking Is Still Under Way—Coast Harvest Will Yield Between 80,000 and 90,000 Bales—Largest Part Saved in California.

Oregon hopgrowers are still harvesting their crops; that is, some of them, but fully 20,000 bales have been abandoned, according to the reports received at local offices. It is figured that only 10,000, or at the most, 15,000, bales will be saved. The bulk of these harvested hops had previously been sold on contract.

In the Yakima section about 8000 bales are being picked, and in Western Washington 1500 to 2000 bales, out of a total crop expected in the state of 18,000 to 20,000 bales.

Californiana harvested a larger proportion of their crop than the Northwestern growers, as, owing to the earlier season, much of the picking had been done there before the Food Administration announced the closing down of breweries on December 1. Southern dealers estimate the California hops picked at 65,000 bales.

For the Coast as a whole, the harvest will yield 80,000 or 90,000 bales out of an estimated crop of 172,000 bales on the vines. This compares with yields of 220,000 to 250,000 bales in former years.

Many of the contract lots have already been delivered by growers to dealers, who are passing the hops on to brewers. The latter will be able to use only a small part of this year's production, but so far as can be learned, they are accepting the deliveries.

STORAGE HOLDINGS MUCH LIGHTER

Decreases Reported in Stocks of Eggs, Butter and American Cheese.

Decreases in storage holdings of eggs, creamery butter and American cheese on September 1, as compared with a year ago, are shown in the monthly statistics issued by the Bureau of Markets. The decline in egg stocks is 2.6 per cent, in creamery butter 6.7 per cent, and in American cheese 40.6 per cent.

The comparative figures are given below in pounds, except in the matter of eggs, which are in cases:

	Sept. 1, 1917.	Sept. 1, 1918.
Creamery butter	107,776,392	100,563,488
Packing stock butter	3,180,789	4,396,962
American cheese	91,545,232	54,184,739
Case eggs	6,365,312	6,262,239
Frozen eggs	19,631,413	15,668,902
Cheese—		
Swiss and brick	663,912	775,712
Munster	416,988	455,292
Limburger	414,997	439,823
Cottage, etc.	1,338,926	1,472,823
Cream and neufchatel	65,685	87,544
Cheese, other	711,700	4,008,787

Storage holdings of frozen poultry and frozen and cured meats on the same dates were:

	Sept. 1, 1917.	Sept. 1, 1918.
Broilers	3,248,616	2,089,081
Roasters	4,198,346	304,648
Fowls	2,176,256	2,624,924
Turkeys	3,546,948	445,501
Miscellaneous	6,392,042	3,114,466
Total poultry	20,756,168	8,598,570
Frozen beef	100,453,086	170,241,546
Cured beef	30,289,505	29,037,924
Lamb and mutton	2,712,659	3,788,371
Frozen pork	72,286,066	69,960,132
Dry salt pork	195,627,563	250,329,390
Sweet pickled pork	328,942,256	315,268,734
Lard	102,171,759	102,658,119
Miscellaneous	47,753,901	77,539,501

WOULD HAVE BROKERS' TAX MODIFIED

Merchants Exchange Votes to Co-operate With National Council.

At a meeting of the Merchants Exchange yesterday a telegram was read from J. Ralph Pickell, secretary of the Council of Grain Exchanges, asking the co-operation of the local body in applying for a modification of the proposed brokers' tax at the Congressional hearing about to be held. The members voted to co-operate with the council.

Corn bids at the noon session ranged from 58 cents to $1 higher than on Tuesday and offers for oats were 25 to 50 cents higher. Feed barley was $1 lower at $56 bid.

Weather conditions in the Middle West, as wired from Chicago: "Winnipeg, 37; Minneapolis, clear, 46; Chicago, cloudy to raining; Peoria, cloudy, 50, some rain last night; St. Louis, clear to part cloudy; Omaha, part cloudy, 40; Ohio Valley, cloudy to raining, 60 to 65. Forecast: Iowa, Missouri, fair, cooler tonight and Thursday; Kansas, fair and warmer tonight and Thursday; North and South Dakota, increasing cloudiness and warmer, probably showers Thursday."

Imports reported from San Francisco included 42,000 centals of Australian wheat.

Terminal receipts, in cars, were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows:

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Wed.	72	16	6	...	34
Year ago	13	1	7	39	14
Season to date	2493	279	333	189	969
Year ago	488	51	160	260	418
Tacoma, Tues.	21	...	...	...	1
Year ago	16	2	...	2	39
Season to date	1330	154	...	56	329
Year ago	407	16	...	53	464
Seattle, Tues.	35	...	...	3	16
Year ago	11	1	4	9	48
Season to date	1366	22	412	147	740
Year ago	351	45	340	142	1343

BUTTER MARKET UP TWO CENTS.

Buying Price of Butter Fat Is Advanced to 62 Cents, Delivered.

A 2-cent advance in print butter prices was announced by the city creameries as a result of the butter shortage now existing. Prints in plain wrappers are now quoted at 58 cents and in cartons at 59 cents, box lots. The buying price of butter fat was also raised 2 cents to 62 cents, delivered at Portland. Cube butter was in small supply, and extras were held at 54 and 55 cents.

The egg market was slow, with numerous offerings of Eastern and local storage stock. There was a good demand for poultry at firm prices, but dressed meats were weak. The top on veal was 20 cents, and buyers would not offer over 25 cents for pork.

OCTOBER FLOUR BIDS ARE ASKED

Corporation Will Also Receive Offers for Other Cereal Products.

Bids for export flour for October delivery have been called for by the Food Administration Grain Corporation. The Government passed over the Pacific Northwest in filling its September requirements.

The Grain Corporation announces that it will receive at its New York office each Thursday bids from flour mills and other sellers of cereal products for rye flour, barley flour, corn flour and corn meal, which it intends to purchase for export requirements. Purchases for shipment to Pacific Coast terminals will be made by the Portland and San Francisco offices. But little of these commodities will be available here.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$4,469,283	$1,175,474
Seattle	7,095,729	969,448
Tacoma	895,450	166,760
Spokane	1,604,723	591,402

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session:

September delivery—	Bid.
Oats, No. 2 white feed	$56.50
Barley, standard feed	56.00
Barley, standard "A"	52.00
Eastern oats and corn in bulk:	
Oats, No. 3 white	53.00
Oats, 36-pound clipped white	53.00
Corn, No. 3 yellow	68.50
Corn, No. 3 mixed	67.50
October—	
Oats, No. 2	60.50
Barley, feed	50.00
Barley, "A"	52.00
Oats, No. 3	53.00
Oats, clipped	55.00
Corn, yellow	68.00
Corn, mixed	67.00

WHEAT — Government basis, $2.20 per bushel.

FLOUR—Straights, $10.05@11.95 per barrel; whole wheat, $10.25; graham, $9.90@10.25; barley flour, $11 per barrel; rye flour, $12.50 per barrel; cornmeal, $11.30@11.80 per barrel; corn flour, $12; oat flour, $11.20@11.40 per barrel.

MILLFEED—Mill run, f. o. b. mill; carlots, $29.65; mixed cars, $30.15; less than carlots, $30.65; rolled barley, $65; rolled oats, $69.

CORN—Whole, $73; cracked, $76 per ton.

HAY—Buying prices, f. o. b. Portland: Eastern Oregon timothy, $30 per ton; Valley timothy, $29 per ton; alfalfa, $27; Valley grain hay, $26@27; clover, $28; straw, $9@10.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Cubes, extras, 54@55c, prints, extras, box lots, 58c; cartons, box lots, 59c; half boxes, ½c more; less than half boxes, 1c more; butterfat, No. 1, 62c per pound, delivered Portland.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, candled, rots and cracks out, 48@50c; selects, 54@55c per dozen.

CHEESE—Tillamook, f. o. b. Tillamook; Triplets, 29c; Young Americas, 30c; longhorns, 30c per pound; Cose and Curry, f. o. b. Myrtle Point: Triplets, 28½c; Young Americans, 29½c per pound; longhorns, 29½c per pound.

POULTRY—Hens, 26@27c; Springs, 26@28c; ducks, 25@30c; geese, nominal; turkeys, live, 32c.

VEAL—Fancy, 20c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 25@26c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

FRUITS — Oranges, Valencias, $9.25@10; lemons, $6@7.50 per box; bananas, 8@8¼c lb.; grapefruit, $5.50; cantaloupes, $1.50@2.25 per crate; watermelons, 2½@3c per lb.; peaches, $1.40@1.75; apples, $1@2.25 per box; plums, 2½@3c per pound; pears, $1.50@1.75 per box; casabas, 3c per pound; grapes, $1.25@2.25 per crate; huckleberries, 12c per pound.

VEGETABLES — Tomatoes, 25@50c per crate; cabbage, 3½@4c per pound; lettuce, $2 per crate; cucumbers, 30@50c per box; peppers, 8c per pound; beans, 6@7c per pound; celery, $1.15 per dozen; eggplant, 8@10c per pound; corn, 20@30c per dozen.

POTATOES—Oregons, $2.75@3.50 per hundred; Idahos, $2.85@3.10.

ONIONS—Oregons, $2@2.25 per sack; Walla Walla, $2.25; California, Browns, $2.50.

Staple Groceries.

Local jobbing quotations:

SUGAR—Sack basis: Fruit and berry, $9.55; beet, $9.25; extra C, $9.15; powdered, in barrels, $10.25; cubes, in barrels, $10.45.

NUTS—Walnuts, 30c; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 20c; almonds, 18@23c; peanuts, 19c; cocoanuts, $1.60 per dozen.

SALT—Half-ground, 100s, $15.90 per ton; 50s, $17.25 per ton; dairy, $25 per ton.

RICE—Blue Rose, 11.70@12c per pound.

BEANS—Jobbing prices: Small white, 12½@13½c; large white, 11½@12c; colored, 8¼@8½c; lima, 15c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 17@25c.

Provisions.

Local jobbing quotations:

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 36¾@37¼c; standard, 33¾@36¼c; skinned, none; picnics, 26c; cottage roll, 34c.

LARD—Tierce basis, standard pure, 29c; compound, 23c.

BACON—Fancy, 49@51c; standard 45¼@47½c; choice, 36@44c.

DRY SALT—Short, clear backs, 30@35c; exports, 29@32c.

Hides and Pelts.

HIDES—Government grades: No. 1 salted hides, 30 lbs. and up, 15c; No. 2 salted hides, 30 lbs. and up, 14c; No. 1 green hides, 30 lbs. and up, 12c; No. 2 green hides, 30 lbs. and up, 11c; No. 1 salted bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 12c; No. 2 salted bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 11c; No. 1 green bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 10c; No. 2 green bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 9c; No. 1 green or salted calfskins, up to 15 lbs., 32c; No. 2 green or salted calfskins, 15 lbs. and up, 30½c; No. 1 green or salted kip skins, 15 to 30 lbs., 16c; No. 2 green or salted kip skins, 15 to 30 lbs., 14½c; dry flint hides, 7 lbs. and up, 30c; dry flint calf, under 7 lbs., 40c; dry salt hides, 7 lbs. and up, 24c; dry salt calf, under 7 lbs., 34c; dry cull hides or calf, half price; dry stags or bulls, 20c; dry salt stags or bulls, 14c; dry cull stags or bulls, half price; dry horse hides, according to size and takeoff, each $1.50@2.50; salted horsehides, according to size and takeoff, each $3@5.

PELTS — Dry long-wool pelts, per pound, 40c; dry short-wool pelts, per pound, 25@30c; salted long-wool lamb pelts, August takeoff, each, $2.50@3.50; salted sheep pelts, August take-off, each $2@3; dry sheep shearing, each, 25@50c; salted sheep shearing, each, 50@75c.

Hops, Wool, Etc.

HOPS—Nominal.

WOOL—Oregon, 36@71c per pound.

MOHAIR—Long staple, 60c; short staple, 40c; burry, 30c.

CASCARA BARK—New and old, 12½@13c per pound.

TALLOW—No. 1, 12½c per pound; No. 2, 12½c per pound; grease, No. 1, 10c; No. 2, 9c per pound.

Oils.

GASOLINE—Bulk, 21c; engine distillate, bulk, 12c; kerosene, bulk, 19c; cases, 20c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, $2.01; cases, $2.11; boiled, barrels, $2.03; cases, $2.13.

TURPENTINE—In tanks, 84c; cases, 94c.

NEW HONEY BRINGS HIGH PRICE

First Shipment From Oak Point Sells at $7@7.50 a Case.

The first new crop honey arrived yesterday, coming from Oak Point. It was quoted at $7@7.50 a case, a price double that which prevailed a few years ago.

Salway peaches cleaned up well at firm prices, the best selling at $1.65@1.75 a box. Cantaloupes were also firm.

There was a good supply of grapes on hand and prices were steady. Local Concords brought 20@25c a basket, Muscats $1.50, Malagas $1.75 and Tokays $2.25 a crate.

CORN MOVEMENT HALTS

EFFECT OF RENEWED PEACE GOSSIP IS OFFSET.

Part of Early Loss in Chicago Market Is Recovered—Oats Values Are On Up Grade.

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—Likelihood of delay on shipments from the interior more than counterbalanced in the corn market today the bearish influence of a renewal of peace gossip. The finish was unsettled, varying from ½c net decline to ⅜c advance, with October $1.52½ to $1.52⅝ and November $1.49 to $1.49⅝. Oats gained ⅛@⅜c to ⅝c and provisions 2c to 85c.

A majority of the traders finally adopted the opinion that during the next few days a decrease in the movement of corn from rural points would not be surprising.

Liberal sales to Georgian Bay ports strengthened oats.

Improved cash demand gave an upward slant to provisions.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

CORN.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Oct.	$1.52⅛	$1.53	$1.51¼	$1.52⅝
Nov.	1.49	1.49½	1.47⅝	1.49¼

OATS.

Oct.	.73¾	.73¾	.73	.73⅝
Nov.	.74⅛	.74⅛	.73¾	.74⅛

MESS PORK.

Oct.	40.15	40.87	40.10	40.55
Nov.	40.15	40.85	40.15	40.65

LARD.

Oct.	26.87	26.87	26.50	26.87
Nov.	....	26.52	26.50	26.50

SHORT RIBS.

Oct.	23.70	23.72	23.60	23.70
Nov.	23.60	23.62	23.52	23.60

Cash prices were:

Corn—No. 2 yellow, $1.66@1.67; No. 3 yellow, $1.55@1.60; No. 4 yellow, $1.52@1.55.

Oats—No. 3 white, 72¾@73¾c; standard, 72¾@73¾c.

Rye—No. 2, $1.63@1.63½.

Barley—90c@$1.03.

Timothy—$7@10.

Clover—Nominal.

Pork—Nominal.

Lard—$27.10.

Ribs—$23.45@23.95.

Primary receipts—Wheat, 2,813,000 vs. 1,182,000 bushels; corn, 1,469,000 vs. 424,000 bushels; oats, 1,157,000 vs. 1,562,000 bushels.

Shipments — Wheat, 1,838,000 vs. 352,000 bushels; corn, 413,000 vs. 174,000 bushels; oats, 790,000 vs. 1,190,000 bushels.

Clearances—Wheat, 1,350,000 bushels; corn, 23,000 bushels; oats, none; flour, 4000 barrels.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—Butter higher. Creamery, 48½@57c.

Eggs—Receipts, 9730 cases, unchanged.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 18.—Flax, $4.21. Barley, 84@98c.

SUGAR PROFIT SET

Retailers' Margin Limited to One Cent Per Pound.

LOCAL SITUATION COMPLEX

Several Dealers Have Supply on Hand Purchased at Old Price, While Others Have Been Compelled to Buy at Advance.

The price interpretation schedule for the week beginning September 18, issued yesterday by W. B. Ayer, Food Administrator for Oregon, says:

Commodity—	Retailer Pays.	Consumer Pays.
Fresh eggs	$ .53 @ .55	$ @ .60
Butter, fresh creamery	.58 @ .58½	.62½ @ .63½
Potatoes, new	2.50 @ 2.75	.03½ @ .04
Cheese, full cream	.31½ @ .32	.35 @ .37½
Fresh salmon, pound	.10 @ .17	.15 @ .25
Corn meal, yellow, bulk, 100 pounds	5.65 @ 5.90	.07
Corn meal, white, bulk, 100 pounds	5.65 @ 5.80	.07
Corn meal, yellow, 10-pound bag, bale	6.60 @ 6.80	.75 @ .80
Corn meal, white, 10-pound bag, bale	6.70 @ 6.90	.80 @ .85
Rolled oats, 90-pound bags, barrel	11.20	.08
Rolled oats, 9-pound bags, bale	6.40	.80
Rolled oats, 20-ounce packages, dozen	1.25@1.35	.13
Rice flour, bulk, per 100 pounds	8.70 @ 9.00	.11 @ .12½
Barley flour, bulk, barrel	11.00	.07
Barley flour, 9.8-pound bag, bale	6.25	.75 @ .80
Rice, head, per 100 pounds	11.70 @12.00	.15
Rice, No. 2 grade	.10¼	.12½
Sugar, dry granulated, 100 pounds	9.50	.07½
Corn flour, white, bulk, 100 pounds	6.00	.85
Corn flour, white, 10-pound bag, bale	6.35	.85
Rye flour, 49-pound sack, barrel	12.50	3.65 @3.75
Rye flour, 10-pound bags, bale	6.95	.85
Hominy, 10-pound bag, bale	6.95 @ 7.10	.85
Cornstarch, pound	.10	.12½
Beans, small white, pound	.13½ @ .13¾	.15 @ .17½
Beans, large white, pound	.11½ @ .12	.14 @ .15
Beans, colored, pound	.08½ @ .08½	.10 @ .11
Dried fruit, raisins, packages, pound	.11	.12½ @ .15
Wheat flour, 49-pound bags, barrel	11.15	3.00 @3.10
Wheat flour, 24½-pound bags, barrel	11.35	1.50 @1.55
Wheat flour, 10-pound bags, bale	6.30	.70
Lard substitute (short.), bulk, pound	.23	.27½
Lard substitute (short.), small cans, dozen	.60	.75
Lard substitute (short.), medium cans, dozen	1.05	1.25 @1.30
Lard substitute (short.), large cans, dozen	2.10	2.60 @2.70
Corn oil, gallon	2.45	2.70 @2.85
Corn oil, one-half gallon	1.26	1.45 @1.55
Corn oil, quart	.66	.75 @ .80
Corn oil, pint	.35	.40 @ .45

The Oregon situation is rather complex, inasmuch as some retailers still have quite a supply of sugar purchased at the old prices, while others have had to supply themselves with newly arrived goods and at the well-known advanced price.

The United States Food Administration at Washington, D. C., is very emphatic that but a maximum profit of one cent per pound shall be made on retail sugar sales. The price interpretation committee in this country has heretofore, in a measure, sanctioned an excess of this margin of profit in consequence of the two-pound packages so generally used, but Washington insists that a profit of but one cent per pound shall be allowed. Retailers having sugar purchased prior to the late advance may charge a maximum of nine cents per pound, and those having the new-priced goods may charge a maximum of 10½ cents per pound.

The price interpreting committee has for the present discontinued the quotation on corn syrup, for the reason that the stocks are so badly depleted. Many familiar brands of syrup are for the present unobtainable, although a few undersized stocks are on their way to this city. The demand for the syrup, owing to the sugar shortage, has of late been very heavy.

Coffee Futures Firm.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—The market for coffee futures was again influenced by reports of a firm cost and freight situation and firmness in the spot market. There was some scattering liquidation in the late months, but trade interests were buyers, and after opening unchanged to 7 points higher the market sold up to 9.81c for July, or 13 points net higher. Later that position eased off to 9.76c, but other months were well sustained and the market closed net unchanged to 8 points higher. September, 8.50c; October, 8.65c; December, 8.95c; January, 9.10c; March, 9.40c; May, 9.60c; July, 9.76c.

Spot coffee firm: Rio 7s, 9¾c; Santos 4s, 13¼c.

ALL LINES ARE STEADY

BIG BUNCH OF LAMBS SELL AT $14 AT STOCKYARDS.

Best Steers Offered Are Taken at $10 to $11.25—Hogs Move at Established Range of Prices.

The feature of the day's trading at the stockyards was the sale of a bunch of 728 lambs at $14. Both lambs and sheep are reported firm in price. The cattle market was steady, the best steers offered bringing $10@11.25. Hogs continued firm at the former range of quotations.

Receipts were 73 cattle, 15 calves, 767 hogs and 868 sheep. Shippers were:

With hogs—John Ogburn, Cottonwood, Cal., 1 load; C. J. Barkley, Independence, 1 load; McMahon & Frum, Halsey, 1 load; A. Luce, Fruito, Cal., 1 load.

With cattle—B. F. Norwood, Pulsa, 1 load.

With mixed loads—B. F. Norwood, Albany, 1 load of cattle, hogs and sheep; Charles Unicon, Willamina, 1 load of cattle, calves and hogs; C. H. Farmer, McCoy, 1 load of hogs and sheep; Frank Wann, Mount Angel, 1 load of cattle, calves and hogs.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
4 cows	910	$ 3.50	3 cows	1010	$ 7.00
1 cow	970	5.00	9 cows	812	7.50
9 cows	853	5.50	2 cows	1050	8.00
5 cows	908	6.50	6 steers	985	8.50
8 cows	893	7.00	1 steer	940	6.50
2 cows	935	7.50	26 steers	975	10.00
1 cow	740	6.00	1 steer	870	10.50
3 cows	685	3.50	2 steers	845	5.50
15 cows	1055	7.75	30 steers	1000	11.25
25 steers	840	10.00	31 steers	1015	11.25
9 calves	282	9.00	2 steers	845	9.00
3 calves	390	6.00	2 calves	130	11.50
125 hogs	182	19.50	1 calf	270	7.00
1 hog	420	17.50	1 calf	250	12.00
21 hogs	184	19.00	53 hogs	226	19.50
10 hogs	194	19.25	142 hogs	186	19.25
7 hogs	190	19.40	4 hogs	287	15.50
13 cows	900	6.00	4 hogs	275	18.50
2 cows	615	4.00	9 hogs	144	17.75
4 cows	945	8.00	50 hogs	143	17.25
4 cows	1025	6.75	11 hogs	180	19.00
5 cows	800	5.00	728 lambs	75	14.00
4 cows	975	4.50	34 ewes	135	8.75
4 cows	1120	8.25			

Prices current at the local yards are as follows:

Cattle—	Prices.
Prime steers	$12.00@13.00
Good to choice steers	11.00@12.00
Medium to good steers	9.75@11.00
Fair to medium steers	8.75@ 9.75
Common to fair steers	6.75@ 8.25
Choice cows and heifers	8.00@ 9.00
Med. to good cows and heifers	7.00@ 7.75
Fair to med. cows and heifers	5.75@ 7.25
Canners	4.75@ 5.75
Bulls	3.00@ 4.00
Calves	5.00@ 8.00
	9.00@12.00
Hogs—	
Prime mixed	19.50@19.75
Medium mixed	19.00@19.35
Rough heavies	18.00@18.25
Pigs	16.00@17.00
Sheep—	
Prime lambs	13.00@13.50
Fair to medium lambs	11.00@12.00
Yearlings	10.00@11.00
Wethers	9.00@10.00
Ewes	6.50@ 9.00

Seattle Livestock Market.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 18.—Hog receipts were 188, all on contract to packers. Bidding without result on empty pens, market strong. Packers inclined to increase offerings by contracting at prices over market.

Cattle receipts were 151. Market strong on prime steers and cows. Offerings composed of secondary steers and cows. Packers very short of beef.

Cattle—Best steers, $11@13; medium to choice, $10.50@11.50; common to good, $8@8.50; medium, $5@7.50; bulls, $5@7.50; calves, $5@10.

Hogs—Prime light, $19.75@20; medium to choice, $19.50@19.60; medium heavy, $18.50@19; rough, $17.50@18; pigs, $17.50@19.

Sheep—Spring lambs, $13@14; yearlings, $9@12; ewes, $6@9.

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Sept. 18.—Hogs—Receipts, 8000; 15c to 20c lower. Heavy $19.60@20.15; mixed, $19.65@19.75; light, $19.90@20.40; pigs, $17@20; bulk of sales, $19.65@19.80.

Cattle—Receipts, 13,000, steady. Native steers, $12.45@18.45; cows and heifers, $7.50@12.50; Western steers, $10@17.75; Texas steers, $9@12; range cows and heifers, $7@11.50; canners, $6@7; stockers and feeders, $6.50@14.50; calves, $9@13.50; bulls, stags, etc., $7@11.

Sheep—Receipts, 31,000; steady. Wethers, $11@12; ewes, $9@10; lambs, $16.50@17.50; yearlings, $12@13.25.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—Hogs—Receipts, 10,000; steady. Butchers, $20.50@20.75; light, $20.40@20.85; packing, $19.50@20; rough, $18.50@19.25; pigs, $19@19.50.

Cattle—Receipts 16,000; steady to lower. Beef cattle, $10@19.50; butcher stock, cows and heifers, $7.65@13.75; canners and cutters, $6.65@7.65; stockers and feeders, $8@14; calves, $18.50@19.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 21,000; 10c to 25c higher. No prime lambs here. Top Western, $18.25; top native, $17.50.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

Prices Current on Eggs, Vegetables, Fresh Fruits, Etc., at Bay City.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18.—Butter, 55@59½c.

Eggs—Fresh extras, 60c; fresh extra pullets, 55c.

Cheese—New firsts, 29½c; Young Americas, 30c.

Poultry—Hens, 34@36c; young roosters, 39c; broilers, 45c; fryers, 37@38c; pigeons, $2; squabs, $3@3.50; geese, 28c; turkeys, live, 34@36c.

Vegetables—Green peas, 8@9c; asparagus, 30@35c; eggplant, 75c@$1; bell peppers, 60@75c; chile peppers, 60@75c; tomatoes, $1@1.50; lettuce, 75c@1.25; celery, nominal; potatoes, rivers, $2.25@2.75; Salinas, $3.25@3.50; onions, Australian brown, $1.50@1.70; yellow, $1.75@2; garlic, 15@16c; cauliflower, 75@90c; beets, $1; carrots, 75c@$1; turnips, 65@75c; rhubarb, $1@1.25; cabbage, 80@90c; artichokes, $2.50@4; cucumbers, 50c@$1; string beans, 7c; lima beans, 8@8½c; okra, 5@6c per pound.

Fruit—Cantaloupes, Turlock, $1.50@1.75; watermelons, $1@1.25; casabas, $1@1.75; honeydew melons, $1.50@1.75; lemons, $4.50@6.50; grapefruit, $4@6; oranges, Valencias, $7.50@8.50; bananas, Hawaiian, 6@7c; pineapples, $4.50@5; Gravenstein and Bellefleur apples, $1.50@2.75; peaches, $1.50@2; huckleberries, 16@18c; pears, $2.25@2.75; figs, white, 75c@$1; black, 90c@$1.25; plums, $1.25@1.50; crabapples, $1@1.50; grapes, Thompson seedless, $1.50@1.75; muscats, $1.50@1.75; avocadoes, $5@7.

Receipts—Flour, 2700 quarters; barley, 1135 centals; potatoes, 4222 sacks; beans, 442 sacks; onions, 325 sacks; hay, 228 tons; hides, 170; wine, 57,200 gallon.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18.—Flour, $11.20 per barrel.

Grain—Wheat, Government price, $2.26 per bushel; barley, new crop, milling grades, $2.37½@2.42½; oats, white feed, nominal; corn, California, yellow, $4.15.

Bay—Wheat and wheat and oats, $23@25; tame oat, $24@26; alfalfa, first cutting, $16@20; second cutting, $22@24; barley straw, 50@80c.

Meals—Alfalfa, $34@36; cocoanut, nominal.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 18.—Turpentine firm, 60c; sales, 122; receipts, 265; shipments, 291; stock, 29,487.

Rosin firm. Sales, 583; receipts, 994; shipments, 8079; stock, 65,862. Quote: B, $13.30; D, $13.50@13.60; E, $13.70@13.80; F, $13.95; G, $13.95@14.10; H, $14@14.10; I, $14.15; K, $14.20@14.40; M, $14.30@14.40; N, $14.60; WG, WW, $14.75@14.80.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Sugar unchanged.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Metals unchanged.

Dried Fruits at New York.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Evaporated apples dull. Peaches firm.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Cotton—Spot, quiet; middling, 34.10c.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, Sept. 18.—Linseed, $4.21@4.24.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Sept. 18.—Maximum temperature, 84 degrees; minimum, 60 degrees. River reading, 8 A. M., 3.9 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.3 foot rise. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), none. Total rainfall since September 1, 1918, 0.66 inch; normal, 0.85 inch; deficiency, 0.19 inch fall. Sunrise, 6:53 A. M.; sunset, 7:17 P. M. Total sunshine, 12 hours 24 minutes; possible, 12 hours 24 minutes. Moonrise, 5:08 P. M.; moonset, 3:35 A. M. Barometer (reduced to sea level) 5 P. M., 29.82 inches. Relative humidity at noon, 55 per cent.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS	Minimum temperature	Maximum temperature	Precipitation past 24 hours	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of Weather
Baker	48	84	0.00	..	NE	Pt. cloudy
Boise	56	80	0.00	..	W	Cloudy
Boston	66	62	1.62	..	S	Cloudy
Calgary	42	76	0.00	10	E	Clear
Chicago	52	86	0.00	14	NW	Clear
Denver	48	78	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
Des Moines	42	58	0.02	..	SW	Cloudy
Eureka	52	78	0.00	..	SW	Pt. cloudy
Galveston	....	80	0.00	12	SE	Pt. cloudy
Helena	56	70	0.00	..	SW	Cloudy
†Juneau	50	*60	1.32	10	E	Rain
Kansas City	52	62	0.00	10	E	Clear
Los Angeles	68	78	0.00	12	NW	Pt. cloudy
Marshfield	48	66	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Medford	52	94	0.00	..	NE	Clear
Minneapolis	....	54	0.68	..	NW	Rain
New Orleans	76	90	0.00	..	SE	Pt. cloudy
New York	66	64	1.34	18	W	Cloudy
North Head	48	54	0.00	18	NW	Clear
Yakima	50	90	0.00	..	E	Clear
Phoenix	70	100	0.00	..	W	Clear
Pocatello	46	78	0.00	..	W	Cloudy
Portland	60	84	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Roseburg	56	94	0.00	..	N	Clear
Sacramento	60	76	0.00	10	S	Clear
St. Louis	54	66	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Salt Lake	52	76	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
San Diego	66	72	0.00	12	SW	Pt. cloudy
San Francisco	56	66	0.00	12	SW	Rain
Seattle	56	74	0.00	..	NW	Clear
*Sitka	....	58	0.00	..	E	Rain
Spokane	54	88	0.00	..	SW	Pt. cloudy
Tacoma	54	78	0.00	..	N	Clear
Tatoosh Island	50	56	0.00	10	SW	Cloudy
†Valdez	42	*46	....	..	calm	Rain
Walla Walla	62	92	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Washington	58	70	1.02	..	S	Clear
Winnipeg	32	48	0.02	..	N	Pt. cloudy

†A. M. today; *P. M. report preceding day.

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Fair; gentle northwesterly winds.

Oregon and Washington — Fair; gentle northwesterly winds.

Idaho—Fair.

EDWARD L. WELLS, Meteorologist.

Prune Dryer Destroyed by Fire.

SHERIDAN, Or., Sept. 18.—(Special.)—The large prune dryer belonging to A. M. Fleming, situated about three miles from Sheridan, burned about 4:30 yesterday morning with a probable loss of from $7000 to $8000. The night-watchman at the time of the fire was overhead in the dryer sweeping and, hearing a noise, came down to look at the furnace, which he found in flames. A large portion of the prune crop was stored in the dryer and many of the prunes were already dried. It is thought there is no insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown.

The reported last words of Czar Nicholas of Russia just before he was shot by the firing squad were: "Spare my wife and my innocent and unhappy children. May my blood preserve Russia from ruin."

STOCK LISTS REACT

Strength Takes Place of Recent Bearish Pressure.

OILS LEAD IN ADVANCE

Absence of Liquidation and Favorable War News Influence Buying in Various Quarters—Gains Range From 1 to 4 Points.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—Reaction from the recent heavy liquidation carried some prominent issues steadily upward in the stock market today, presumably on the theory that a generally oversold condition existed.

The pressure which enforced the downward movement