MILLS MAY CLOSE

Stockmen Are Facing Famine in Millfeed.

MIXED FLOUR ORDER PENDS

Plants in Northwest Not Equipped to Comply With Proposed Plans of Food Administration—Protests Sent to Washington.

Dairymen and other stock feeders in the Northwest perhaps do not know how close they are to a millfeed famine. If the Food Administration goes through with certain plans it is working on, it will mean the almost complete absence of millfeed from the market from now on.

The Administration's programme, if carried into effect, will allow the millers to turn out only mixed flour, which must contain 20 per cent of substitutes. The plan will work well in the East, where there is a big corn crop, but it will not work here, as we have practically no substitute cereals this year. To comply with the order, the mills would have to bring substitutes from a distance, such as barley from California, and this would greatly add to the cost of the flour. Furthermore, only two or three of the flourmills in the Northwest are equipped to grind substitutes, and then only limited quantities. The others have no machinery to change their equipment and cannot get such machinery.

Therefore, if the proposed mixed-flour programme goes into effect, and Congressional action on it is expected very soon, the mills in the Northwest will have to close down. Some have already done so. They cannot make anything but straight flour, and the Government will not buy this straight product, when it begins operating under the new Hoover plan.

It is Mr. Hoover's idea that all of the allied nations should eat the same kind of a loaf. They are going to have their mixed flour in Europe and Americans must live on the same fare. Everyone agrees with Mr. Hoover in this. The people of Portland are on a 20-part substitute ration now and like it. They do their own mixing at home. It is proposed by the new rule, however, that the millers must turn out the mixed product, and as they cannot do it with the means at hand, they declare they must close their mills unless the plan is modified in some way. They have sent protests to the Food Administration officials, but unless the dairy and stockmen enlist the aid of the Northwest delegation in Congress, there can be no results. When the mills close down, of course, the millfeed supply stops.

The Shipping Board's action in allotting 10 steamers to move the accumulation of flour at Portland and on the Sound will relieve the flour situation temporarily, but if only new wooden steamers are assigned the millers are keptical as to the outcome, as there is a possibility that the flour may become tainted. Even if the wooden vessels should prove satisfactory, it is pointed out that the entire Northwestern output of wooden, as well as steel ships, will prove inadequate to handle all the flour that should be made from this year's wheat crop.

Whatever way it goes the stockmen cannot get all the millfeed they want, and they stand a chance to get none at all unless the Senators and Congressmen at Washington are apprised at once of the real situation.

SMALL INTEREST IN GRAIN MARKET.

Many Members of Trade Visit Astoria on Business Men's Excursion.

There was not much interest in the grain market yesterday, as many of the exchange members had gone to Astoria on the business men's excursion. Barley bids were 50c@$1 lower than Friday, but other offers showed little change.

The Idaho state crop report gives the condition of corn as 95 per cent versus 94 per cent on August 1; Spring wheat 85 per cent versus 90 per cent; oats 86 per cent versus 82 per cent; barley 91 per cent versus 70 per cent; timothy hay 78 per cent versus 80 per cent; alfalfa 86 per cent versus 91 per cent; all hay production 2,060,000 tons versus 2,046,000 tons.

The weather forecast for the Middle West as wired from Chicago: "Manitoba, fair and cooler today and Sunday, frost in many places. Saskatchewan and Alberta, fair and cool today and Sunday, with frost in many places."

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

	Wheat.	Bar.	Flr.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Saturday.	48	7	9	2	3
Year ago	13	..	1	3	3
Total this week	498	19	51	28	120
Year ago	57	10	15	42	63
Season to date	2285	215	326	177	918
Year ago	439	49	146	216	389
Tacoma, Friday	8	..	..	5	9
Year ago	4	15	..	1	4
Season to date	1159	15	..	53	302
Year ago	371	14	..	45	398
Seattle, Friday	25	3	7	5	16
Year ago	4	2	5	5	22
Season to date	1246	22	405	136	708
Year ago	292	41	324	116	1244

HARVEST IN FRANCE NEAR COMPLETE

Crop Is Estimated at 25 Per Cent Larger Than Last Year's.

Fine wheat crops are reported in France and England by Broomhall, whose cable yesterday said:

"France—Favorable weather conditions facilitated harvesting. This operation is now nearing completion in the south, and is in full swing in the northern portion of the country. Wet weather has tended to delay threshing somewhat, but yields of wheat are satisfactory and the weight is said to be much higher than last year. Rye is also yielding well, but oats are slightly disappointing. Wheat has been estimated at approximately 183,000,000 bushels, which is an increase of about 25 per cent over last year. Foreign wheat is arriving at the ports in fair volume.

"Italy—Harvesting is practicaly completed and threshing is progressing rapidly. Official estimates have placed the crop at 176,000,000 bushels, but this is believed to be too high.

"Spain—It is confirmed that this year's harvest was unfavorable and the question of supplies is now receiving consideration.

"United Kingdom—The outlook for the wheat crop is very promising, and there is no doubt a better yield will be realized than for many years past."

STORAGE EGGS ARE FREELY OFFERED

Withdrawals Are Made on Larger Scale and Demand for Fresh Slackens.

Withdrawals of eggs from storage are on a larger scale, and this has had the effect of reducing the demand for fresh stock. Storage eggs are being offered at 43@45 cents. Eastern are still on the market in good supply. As prices in the East continue easy, there is not much chance for improvement in the local market soon.

The butter market was firm at unchanged prices. Receipts of country creamery stock were light.

There was a good demand for poultry and arrivals cleaned up closely. Prices were unchanged. Country dressed meats were also steady.

SALES OF GRAPES ARE LARGE

Demand for Cantaloupes Has Fallen Off. Apples Shipped East.

Grapes continue the active feature of the fruit market, and the heavy receipts are moving at steady prices. Concords are quoted at $1.50 in lugs and 25 cents in baskets; California Tokays at 7 cents in lugs and $2.15@2.25 per crate; Malagas at 5@5 cents per pound and Cornichons and Black Morocccs at $2.50 per crate. Ladyfingers are due in the coming week.

The demand for cantaloupes was slack. The best Burrel Gems brought $2 and Turlocks $1.50@1.75.

Pear receipts are falling off and the local market is quiet at 4½ cents for Bartletts. Oregon pear shipments reported were three cars to Chicago and one car each to New York, Washington and Bridgeport.

No green prunes are new moving out, but Oregon apples are being shipped in a small way, one car going to New York and one car to Baltimore.

A few late peaches are on the market and are held at firm prices. A part car of California Levi clings was received and another straight car is coming.

Oregon Onions Are on Market.

A few Oregon onions have made their appearance on the market. They are mostly small yellow Danvers and are selling at $2 a sack. Walla Walla globes are held at $2.25@2.50 and California Browns at $2.75.

The potato market was steady and unchanged. Good Burbanks brought $2.75@3; the best offerings $3.25 and misshaped stock $2.50.

Tomatoes were in moderate supply and steady at 50 cents for the best. About 100 boxes came in by express and 100 boxes by boat.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$4,755,217	$ 845,698
Seattle	5,123,214	1,245,350
Tacoma	584,828	200,288
Spokane	1,474,859	459,115

Clearings of Portland, Seattle and Tacoma for the past week and corresponding week in former years were:

	Portland.	Tacoma.	Seattle.
1918	$29,892,719	$41,387,012	$6,026,194
1917	16,968,577	22,766,160	4,401,291
1916	15,169,571	18,204,437	2,566,243
1915	12,191,694	12,474,877	2,145,059
1914	11,950,982	13,585,721	2,407,585
1913	13,437,564	13,908,246	2,611,598
1912	11,975,767	13,248,246	4,303,467
1911	11,871,789	12,446,147	4,655,384
1910	9,621,248	10,852,393	6,189,726
1909	7,744,709	13,869,566	6,615,504
1908	7,001,655	9,169,247	5,131,262

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session:

	Bid.
October—	
Oats, No 2	$50.00
Barley, feed	52.00
Barley, "A"	53.00
Oats, No. 3	52.50
Oats, clipped	53.50
Corn, yellow	68.00
Corn, mixed	68.00
September—	
Oats, No. 2 white feed	60.25
Barley, standard feed	51.50
Barley, standard "A"	52.50
Eastern oats and corn in bulk:	
Oats, No. 3 white	52.50
Oats, 2-pound clipped white	53.50
Corn, No. 3 yellow	69.50
Corn, No. 3 mixed	68.50

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, $11.80@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, $75; 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, 58c; prints, extras, box lots, 56c; cartons, box lots, 57c; half boxes, ½c more; less than half boxes, 1c more; butterfat, No. 1, 60c per pound, delivered Portland.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, candled, rots and cracks out, 48@51c; selects, 53c per dozen.

CHEESE—Tillamook, f. o. b. Tillamook; Triplets, 29c; Young Americas, 30c; longhorns, 30c per pound; Coos 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, 20½@21c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 26@26½c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

FRUITS — Oranges, Valencias, $9.25@10; lemons, $6@7.50 per box; bananas, 8@8½c lb.; grapefruit, $5.50; cantaloupes, $1.50@2 per crate; watermelons, 2½@3c per pound; peaches, $1.40@1.65; apples, $1@2.25 per box; plums, 2½@3c per pound; pears, 4½c per pound; casabas, 3c per pound; grapes, $1.50@2.25 per crate; huckleberries, 13c per pound.

VEGETABLES — Tomatoes, 40@50c per crate; cabbage, 3½@4c per pound; lettuce, $2 per crate; cucumbers, 30@50c per box; peppers, 5c per pound; beans, 6@7c per pound; celery, $1.15 per dozen; eggplant, 5@10c per pound; corn, 20@30c per dozen.

POTATOES—Oregons, $2.50@3.25 per hundred.

ONIONS—Oregons, $2 per sack; Walla Walla, $2.25@2.50; California Browns, $2.75.

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, 13½; large white, 11½@12c; colored, 8½c; limas, 15c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 17@25c.

Provisions.

Local jobbing quotations:

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 36½@37½c; standard, 35½@36½c; skinned, none; picnics, 26c; cottage roll, 34c.

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

BACON—Fancy, 40@51c; standard 45½@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, up to 15 lbs., 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 $5@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 shearling, each, 25@50c; salted sheep shearling, each, 50@75c.

Hops, Wool, Etc.

HOPS—Nominal.

WOOL—Oregon, 56@71c per pound.

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

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

TALLOW—No. 1, 13½c per pound; No. 2, 12½c per pound; grease, No. 1, 10c; No. 2, 9c per pound.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 14.—Turpentine quiet, 61½c; no sales; receipts, 221 barrels; shipments, 75 barrels; stock, 29,211 barrels.

Rosin firm; sales, 288 barrels; receipts, 701 barrels; shipments, 953 barrels; stock, 72,701 barrels. Quote: B, $12.80; D, $13.10; E, $13.25; F, $13.45; G, $13.50; H, $13.55; I, $13.75; K, $13.85; M, N, $14; WG, $14.10; WW, $14.35.

Chicago Dairy Produce.

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Butter—Unchanged. Eggs—Receipts 5513 cases, unchanged.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Cotton—Spot quiet. Middling, 35.05c.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Evaporated apples lifeless. Prunes firm. Peaches firm.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Raw sugar, unchanged.

BEARS IN CONTROL

Corn Prices Decline as Allies Make Rapid Progress.

TONE AT CLOSE NERVOUS

Handicap for Bulls Increased as Reports Come of More Favorable Condition for Crop—Danger of Frost Damage Nearly Past.

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Favorable war news and better weather gave a decided advantage today to the bears in corn. Largely as a result the market finished nervous, 1 to 2c net lower with October $1.52½@1.52⅝ and November $1.49⅞@1.50⅛. Oats lost ⅛c to ⅜c. The outcome in provisions varied from 10c decline to 12c advance.

Corn developed weakness quickly, and at no time displayed much power to recover. The continued rapid progress of the entente allies formed an evident handicap for the bulls, and was made more and more of a burden as reports came in telling of improved conditions for drying out the crop and of increased likelihood for a complete escape from damage by frost.

Oats showed a stubborn resistance to selling pressure. The chief reason ascribed was that purchasing had been liberal for the Government and the seaboard.

Higher quotations on hogs strengthened provisions. In the late dealings, however, pork evinced something of a tendency to sag.

Corn tumbled in value this week, mainly as a result of an unexpected big increase of the estimated yield for 1918 and owing to completeness of American successes in France. Compared with a week ago corn prices are 2 to 7¼c net lower, oats are 1c off to a like advance, with provisions varying from a decline of $1.35 to a rise of 52 cents. Government buying gave relative steadiness to oats. An increase of 8.1 per cent in the number of hogs being fattened on farms caused provisions to average lower, despite new high-record prices on hogs for immediate slaughter.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

CORN.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Oct.	$1.51¾	$1.53	$1.51¾	$1.52⅝
Nov.	1.51⅞	1.52⅞	1.49⅛	1.49⅝

OATS.

Oct.	.71½	.73	.71⅜	.72⅛
Nov.	.73⅝	.74	.73	.73¼

MESS PORK.

Sept.	....	40.10	40.00	40.00
Oct.	....	40.60	40.40	40.40

LARD.

Oct.	26.85	26.87	26.80	26.82
Nov.	....	....	....	26.35

SHORT RIBS.

Oct.	23.60	23.62	23.32	23.60
Nov.	23.55	23.55	23.42	23.52

Cash prices were:

Corn—No. 2 yellow, $1.63; No. 3 yellow, $1.64@1.65; No. 4 yellow, $1.53@1.60.

Oats—No. 3 white, 70½@71¼c; standard, 70⅞@71⅝c.

Rye—No. 2, $1.63@1.64.

Barley—95c@$1.04.

Timothy—$7@10.

Clover—Nominal.

Pork—Nominal.

Lard—$27.07.

Ribs—$23@23.60.

Primary receipts — Wheat, 3,030,000 bushels; corn, 833,000 bushels; oats, 1,513,000 bushels.

Shipments—Wheat, 1,257,000 bushels; corn, 350,000 bushels; oats, 1,103,000 bushels.

Clearances—Wheat, 701,000 bushels; corn, 9000 bushels; oats, 334,000 bushels.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—Flour, $11.20 per barrel.

Grain—Wheat, Government price, $2.20 per bushel; barley, new crop, milling grades, $2.37½@2.42½ oats, white feed, nominal; corn, California, yellow, $4.15.

Hay—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.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 14.—Barley, 84@98c.

SHEEP RECEIPTS LARGE

DOZEN LOADS FROM IDAHO RECEIVED AT YARDS.

Prices Close Steady in All Branches of Local Market With Very Few Sales Noted.

Sixteen loads of stock were received at the North Portland yards yesterday, including a dozen loads of sheep from Idaho. The market closed quiet for the week with no changes in prices. Values were steady for all classes of stock.

Receipts were 100 cattle, 237 hogs and 3216 sheep. Shippers were: Tyron & McKendrie, Albany Falls, Idaho, 12 cars sheep; W. Givens, Estacada, 1 car hogs; C. E. Lucke, Canby, 2 cars cattle, hogs and sheep; A. R. Cook, Ballston, 1 car cattle, hogs and sheep.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Wt.	Price.		Wt.	Price.
15 cows	722	$ 4.60	56 yearlings	130	$12.00
7 cows	914	7.25	45 lambs	76	14.00
8 cows	908	6.00	21 lambs	72	13.50
2 cows	1315	7.00	22 hogs	60	16.00
1 cow	703	5.00	9 hogs	98	17.25
1 cow	960	5.00	105 hogs	110	16.50
4 cows	770	5.00	3 hogs	153	17.50

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	5.75@ 8.25
Choice cows and heifers	8.00@ 9.00
Med. to good cows and heifers	6.75@ 7.25
Fair to med. cows and heifers	4.75@ 5.75
Canners	3.00@ 4.00
Bulls	5.00@ 8.00
Calves	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@14.50
Fair to medium lambs	11.00@12.00
Yearlings	10.00@11.00
Wethers	9.00@10.00
Ewes	6.50@ 8.50

ORIGINS OF LIVESTOCK LOADED

Shipments to the Leading Markets of the Pacific Northwest.

State origins of livestock loaded September 13, 1918:

	Cattle, Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses, Mules.	Mixed Stock.
For Portland—					
California	2	1	....	....	....
Idaho	2	1	....	....	....
Oregon	5	1	....	....	1
Tils. Portland	10	3	....	....	1
One week ago	9	8	....	....	2
Four wks. ago	20	....	....	....	1
For Seattle—					
Washington	2	....	....	1	....
Totals Seattle	2	....	....	1	....
One week ago	3	6	6	....	....
Four wks. ago	13	....	13	....	3
For Spokane—					
Idaho	2	1	....	....	....
Washington	3	....	....	....	1
Tils. Spokane	5	1	....	....	1
One week ago	6	....	1	....	2
Four wks. ago	10	....	....	....	....

Decrease in Excess Reserves.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The actual condition of Clearing House banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold $24,954,220 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease of $35,761,220 from last week.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Sept. 14. — Hogs — Receipts, 8000, 5c to 10c higher than yesterday's average. Top, $20.90, a new record. Butchers, $20.50@20.85; light, $20.60@20.90; packing, $19.65@20.20; rough, $18.75@19.50; pigs, $13.75@19.50.

Cattle—Receipts, 3000, compared with a week ago, prime native steers lower. Calves 25c to 50c higher.

Sheep—Receipts 1000, compared with a week ago, top lambs and yearlings weak to 25c lower. Feeding lambs, 50c to 75c lower. Fat and breeding sheep steady. Feeding sheep and yearlings firm to 25c higher.

Omaha Livestock Market.

OMAHA, Sept. 14.—Hogs—Receipts, 4400, 15c to 25c higher. Heavy, $19.50@20.10; mixed, $19.60@20; light, $20@20.25; pigs, $17@19; bulk of sales, $19.60@20.10.

Cattle — Receipts, 700, steady. Native steers, $12.50@18.50; cows and heifers, $7.50@12.50; Western steers, $10@16.50; Texas steers, $9@11.50; range cows and heifers, $7@11; canners, $6@7; stockers and feeders, $6.50@13.50; calves, $9@13.50; bulls, stags, etc., $7@11.

Sheep—Receipts, 100, steady. Wethers, $10.50@12; ewes, $9@11; lambs, $16.25@17.25; yearlings, $12.25@13.25.

Seattle Livestock Market.

SEATTLE, Sept. 14.—Cattle receipts were 240 head, all on the open market. A mixed shipment from Montana was the feature of the trading, although the lot was secondary. Two bunches of steers brought $12.65. Packers are willing to bid up strong for prime finished steers and cows and would pay a bonus for good quality. Hog receipts were 175 head, all on contract direct to packers. Quotations are steady.

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@15; yearlings, $9@12; ewes, $6@9.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

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

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—Butter, 55@58½c.

Eggs—Fresh extras, 62c; fresh extra pullets, 57½c.

Cheese—New firsts, 30½c; Young Americas, 30c.

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

Vegetables—Green peas, 5@9c; Summer squash, 75@85c; eggplant, 50@85c; peppers, bell, 40@65c; chile, 40@75c; tomatoes, $2@2.50; lettuce, 25@35c; celery, nominal; potatoes, rivers, $2.25@2.75; sweet, 4@4½c; garlic, 16@17c; cauliflower, 75@90c; beets, $1; carrots, 75c@$1; turnips, 65@75c; rhubarb, $1@1.20; cabbage, 80@90c; artichokes, $2.50@4; cucumbers, 75c@$1; string beans, 5@5½c; limas, 5½@6c; okra, 5@6c; green corn, $2.80@3.25.

Fruit—Cantaloupes, $1.50@1.75; watermelons, $1@2; 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@6; Gravenstein apples, $1.75@2.25; peaches, $2@2.25; huckleberries, 12@15c; pears, 75c@$1; figs, white, 75c@$1; black, 90c@$1.25; plums, $1.25@1.50; nectarines, 50c@$1; crabapples, $1@1.50; grapes, seedless, $1.50@1.75; muscats, $1.75@2.50; avacados, $5@7.

Receipts—Flour, 7250 quarter sacks; barley, 4266 centals; beans, 123 sacks; potatoes, 1647 sacks; onions, 315 sacks; hay, 130 tons; hides, 830; wine, 36,470 gallons.

Coffee Futures Irregular.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The market for coffee futures showed no special change in general conditions during today's trading and fluctuations were somewhat irregular. The opening was unchanged to 2 points higher and July sold up to 9.65c during the morning, or 5 points net higher, but March was offered off a point or two and the close was net 2 points lower to 5 points higher. December held well up to the maximum price of 8.95c and there were further exchanges of that delivery for May at 30 points and for July at 47 points. Closing bids: September, 8.50c; October, 8.85c; December, 8.85c; January, 9.05c; March, 9.35c; May, 9.48c; July, 9.65c.

Spot coffee firm; Rio 7s, 9¾c; Santos 4s, 13c.

Duluth Linseed Market.

DULUTH, Sept. 14.—Linseed, $4.12.

ENROLLMENT IS CURBED

MILITARY COLLEGES ADVISED TO ENCOURAGE EFFICIENCY.

War Department Opposes Crowding of Schools to Detriment of Men Called for Military Training.

That some Colleges and Universities of the country are accepting more applicants for the Students' Army Training Corps than can be handled to the best advantage in preparing them for military service, is implied in a telegram received yesterday by President Foster, of Reed College, from the committee on education of the War Department.

The message follows:

Desire that institutions shall not accept such large numbers of students that they can not be instructed according to good academic standards, and can not be housed and subsisted without an undue amount of construction.

Institutions are advised in the interest of efficiency to enforce entrance requirements vigorously. In no case will students be eligible for induction into the Students' Army Training Corps who have not completed the equivalent of 15 units of secondary school work. The commanding officer will induct only students on the list certified by the head of institutions to have satisfied entrance requirements above defined.

An officer will be in your territory September 16, and will be at your disposal relative to housing and other matters.

If a student's draft number is called before October 1, he should notify the College at once and the College will at once furnish his draft board the necessary certificate. If his number is not called before October 1, the student need do nothing after having been admitted to College but register at the College on October 1.

On advice of the Government, Reed College will admit any High School graduate to the Reed Unit of the Students' Army Training Corps. He may enter conditioned in two of the 15 units. For the benefit of those who lack the required units, entrance examinations in all High School subjects will be offered at the College on September 27 and 28.

CITY TO TAKE OVER SICK

TUBERCULOSIS WORK GIVEN UP BY VISITING NURSES.

Council Will Be Asked to Make Appropriation of Approximately $8740 for New Department.

The city health bureau is preparing to take over the tuberculosis work in the city, which for the past ten years has been handled by the Visiting Nurse Association. Recently officers of this organization notified Mayor Baker that because of the increase in calls following the growth in population and the difficulty in securing funds, the Association would discontinue this work.

Health Officer Parrish, at the request of the Mayor has made a survey to determine the added help and cost in maintaining a department in his bureau to properly look after this important work. According to his estimate it will cost approximately $8740 additional to do this work.

Dr. Parrish believes that Portland should have a sanatorium to care for the tuberculosis victims, but his estimate of the yearly cost for taking over this work does not include an appropriation for the sanatorium. He is of opinion that the city should first establish itself in the work and then secure a suitable sanatorium.

Mayor Baker has endorsed Dr. Parrish's plan and the City Council will be asked to pass an ordinance making an appropriation to carry on the work and authorizing City Health Officer Parrish to re-organize his department to handle the added burden.

Jewel Robbery Reported.

Mrs. L. C. Taylor, 609 Main street, reported to the police yesterday that burglars had stolen a platinum wrist watch, set with diamonds, and a $250 diamond ring from her home. Several small articles of jewelry were missing also. The theft occurred while Mrs. Taylor was in the kitchen canning fruit.

STOCKS CLOSE FIRM

Net Gains of One to Five Points Are Registered.

MONEY SITUATION EASIER

Continued Favorable War News and Market Rise in Liberty Bonds Encourage Buying for Investment. Short Covering Effective.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—With the stock market exhibiting a strong undertone for the first time this week, general recoveries from the weakness of the last few days featured the Saturday short session in trading. Indications were clear that the stringency in money, to which was attributed the liquidation which has marked the retrograde movement of speculative issues, had been modified, at least to a limited extent, and this factor and the continued favorable war news, together with a marked rise in liberty bonds, served to encourage investment buyers. Short covering at the levels brought about by the recent break also contributed to the firmness, and stocks generally ruled from 1 to 5 points above yesterday's closing quotations.

General Electric and United States Alcohol scored the largest gains, each rising 5 points. United States Steel and other representative issues, including Reading, Southern Pacific and Canadian Pacific, rose between 1 and 2 points, while some of the specialties, which have been in the forefront of the recent decline, made even greater advances. Sales amounted to 150,000 shares.

Analysis of the bank statement disclosed a much smaller decrease in loans than was commonly expected, in view of the drastic liquidation of the week, the retrenchment amounting to only $32,000,000. Surplus bank reserves decreased $33,761,220.

Miscellaneous bonds maintained a good tone in sympathy with the improvement in liberty issues. Total sales, par value, $4,950,000. United States bonds, old issues, were unchanged on call for the week.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Am Beet Sugar	....	....	....	68½
American Can	....	....	....	44⅝
Am Car & Fdry	1,100	85¼	84¼	85¼
American Loco	....	....	....	65⅛
Am S & Refg	....	....	....	17
Am Sugar Refg	200	103	100½	103
Am Tel & Tel	....	....	....	56⅜
Am Z L & S	....	....	....	15⅛
Anaconda Cop	3,000	67⅜	66¼	67¼
Atchison	300	85	84¾	84½
Atl G & W I ctfs	400	100½	100	100
Balt & Ohio	200	54	54	54
Butte & Sup Cop	....	....	....	25¼
California Pet	....	....	....	18
Canadian Pacific	300	158½	157½	158½
Central Leather	500	66¼	65¾	66
Ch M & St. Paul	3,000	49¾	47¾	48¾
Chicago & N W	....	....	....	93⅝
C R I & P ctfs	400	25¼	25	25½
Chino Copper	200	39¾	39¾	39¾
Colo Fl & Ir	....	....	....	45½
Corn Prds Refg	900	41¼	40¾	41
Crucible Steel	500	64¾	64¼	64½
Cuba Cane Suz	700	30	29⅞	30
Distil Securities	6,800	53⅝	50¾	52⅜
Erie	600	15½	15¼	15¼
General Electric	....	....	....	144⅜
General Motors	1,200	119	116	115
Great North Pfd	....	....	....	90
Gt North O ctfs	400	30⅜	30⅛	30⅛
Illinois Central	300	95⅛	93⅛	93⅝
Inspir Cop	1,000	53⅛	53	53¼
Int M M Pfd	8,200	99⅛	98¾	99⅝
Inter Nickel	500	29¾	29¼	29¼
Inter Paper	....	....	....	31⅛
Kan City South	....	....	....	23⅛
Kennecott Cop	....	....	....	32⅜
Louis & Nash	....	....	....	114
Maxwell Motors	300	26	26	25½
Mexican Pet	4,800	100	99	99¼
Miami Copper	200	24	23¾	23¾
Missouri Pa	....	....	....	69¼
Montana Power	....	....	....	68¼
Nevada Copper	200	20¾	20¾	20⅝
N Y Central	1,000	73¼	72⅝	73
N Y N H & H	4,700	40	39	39⅝
Norfolk & West	....	....	....	103⅝
Northern Pac	1,600	87	86¾	87
Pacific Mail	1,000	31	30¼	31
Pennsylvania	200	49¾	49¼	49¾
Pittsburg Coal	200	49¾	49¾	49¾
Ray Con Cop	500	24	23⅞	23⅞
Reading	2,300	87½	86⅞	87⅜
Rep In & Steel	2,300	90¼	89¼	90⅝
Shat Ariz Cop	....	....	....	15
South Pacific	1,000	85½	85¼	85
Southern Ry	2,400	26¼	26¼	26
Texas Co	600	154½	154	154½
Studebaker Cor	600	46¼	46	46⅛
Union Pacific	1,200	123¾	122⅝	123
U S Indus Al	2,100	115¾	111¼	115
U S Steel	49,600	109¾	108⅜	109⅞
U S Steel pfd	....	....	....	110⅜
Utah Copper	500	83	82	82¾
Wab Pfd "B"	....	....	....	43¼
West Electric	300	43¼	43¼	43¼