NEW BARRACKS BUILT

Standifer Plant Housing Its Own Workers.

QUARTERS ARE CONVENIENT

Big Hotel About Half Plastered and Bungalows for Families of Shipyard Workers Being Rushed Rapidly to Completion.

In the rush to care for more men in various departments of the G. M. Standifer Construction Corporation's steel plant at Vancouver it is promised there will be accommodations added by Thursday for 240 workers at barracks being constructed near the river and between the main plant and the railroad bridge across the Columbia River. There are now 350 men residing in quarters there, and the employment of more men necessitated the camp being extended.

The Standifer interests are also building a big hotel, half of which is plastered and will be ready for occupancy soon, while bungalows in the same tract will soon be finished.

In the hotel the men will have warm, airy and attractive quarters. Rooms for two will be rented at about $18 a month to each man. Hot and cold water will be in each room, and means of taking care of clothing the same as in any hotel, with a lobby, lounging-room for reading and writing and all features that will tend to afford the shipbuilder comforts.

The corporation operates three yards, the steel and wooden plants at Vancouver and a wooden yard on North Portland harbor, with a total of 10 ways for building wooden steamers and five ways for steel ships. As fast as unskilled laborers can be had the force at the steel plant will be increased from 1300 to 2300, and augmented later as operations warrant.

FIVE VESSELS ARE LAUNCHED

Large Addition Made at Seattle to Government Tonnage.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 21.—Seattle shipyards today slipped three more big steamships into the water for the Government programme, a fourth vessel for Norwegian interests and a tug, making a total of 28,900 deadweight tons of shipping launched exclusive of the tug.

The Skinner and Eddy plant celebrated the second anniversary of its first launching with a triple launching, the 8300-ton steel freighter West Loquassuck, built in 53 days, and the 8500-ton freighter West Cressy, built in 62 days, and a tug.

In honor of the occasion President D. E. Skinner of the company announced that he had taken out a blanket insurance policy of $1000 for each of the concern's 13,000 employes.

The other vessels launched were the 8300-ton steel freighter Westpool by J. F. Duthie Shipbuilding Company, and the wooden motorship Trollitnt, 2500 tons, by the Elliott Bay Shipbuilding Company, for Norwegian interests.

MEN CLAIM HALF-HOLIDAY

18,000 Seattle Union Metal Workers Quit Work at Noon.

SEATTLE, Sept. 21.—Union metal workers, numbering, according to their leaders, about 18,000, today at noon left their posts in Seattle shipyards to take a Saturday half-holiday which the shipyard and shipping board officials claimed they were not entitled to under an agreement covering working hours. The men said they would be at work Monday.

According to the yard officials, the agreement says the men should work Saturday afternoons at regular pay. The men claim the agreement is void. The Seattle Metal Trades Council early today instructed its members to work only four hours Saturday unless given overtime for Saturday afternoon work. The council voted to take the Saturday half-holiday until the Macy board reports its findings.

CAPTAIN LARSON WINS BONUS

Schooner Makes Fastest Run of Season From South Pacific.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 21.—(Special.)—One of the Walter S. Scammell schooners, commanded by Captain Peter Larson, arrived at a Pacific port today after a 70-day passage from a South Pacific port. This is the best time made by a sailing vessel this season and the skipper will receive a handsome bonus which will be shared by his officers and men. The schooner brought a big cargo of copra, cocoanut oils and hardwood lumber.

Marine Notes.

Boilermakers and their affiliated brethren among the shipbuilders labored in all plants yesterday as naturally and easily as though there had not been any contention over the Macy board's new scale or Saturday afternoon holidays. Their action Friday, in voting again to take up their work yesterday for an eight-hour stretch, instead of stopping at noon, drew favorable comment about the city.

Inspectors of draft ages employed in steel plants of the district, who are under the direction of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, gathered yesterday at the office of Fred B. Pape, assistant supervisor, to receive instructions in furnishing the Philadelphia officials with data relative to the character of service they would prefer if called away from the yards. The understanding is that such men are to be placed on the deferred list until war conditions necessitate their being inducted.

Henry Cave, assistant to F. B. Pape, in the steel construction of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, reported on deck again yesterday after having taken unto himself a wife. Mrs. Aramella Windrow consented to share his lot. The office staff showered congratulations.

Tony J. Zimmerman, formerly clerk in the office of Superintendent Warrack, of the 17th lighthouse district, called on old colleagues there yesterday in the garb of a Navy man and holding a rating as first-class machinist in the radio division. He studied at the University of Washington and his first assignment will be one of the steel ships built here, the Western Comet.

Plans are under way for the construction of more houses aboard the tug Akutan, of the Alaska-Portland Packers' fleet. The vessel is to be held in Winter quarters at Goble, where the new work will be performed.

Federal officials and clerks at the Customhouse went delving into records yesterday to establish for their own satisfaction the time when all clocks are to be turned back one hour and gave the data as October 27. That is provided in the daylight saving law which fixed March 31 as the date when the clocks of the country were to be turned ahead.

Douglass Woodhams, of a well-known London shipping firm of Douglas Woodhams & Co., leaves the city today for Puget Sound and British Columbia in the hope of being able to place contracts for the construction of steel steamers, about 10 of them, for delivery after the war. He was unable to interest heads of Portland yards in the proposal.

One ship laden with Alaska salmon, in cases, reached the harbor Friday and another reported yesterday. Because of the large amount of freight on storage at Municipal docks it has not been determined where 90,000 cases of salmon to be brought by both vessels, will be accommodated.

Two copra cargoes being unloaded at the same time is an unusual sight at the East Washington-street terminal. Fore and afters are lying there getting rid of the shipments, which are in bulk and will be moved East in cars without being sacked.

First of the tanbark cargoes discharged at Portland in months was received yesterday. The material is brought from a coast port for use by one of the tanneries.

Inspection of the new steamer Airlie, of the Supple-Ballin fleet, was inaugurated yesterday under the direction of United States Steamvessel Inspectors Edwards and Wynn.

Four youthful bathers leaping overboard from a dock just south of the east approach of the Hawthorne-avenue bridge found their pleasure short-lived yesterday, when one of the Harbor Patrol force happened along and discovered that their bathing gear was lacking as provided by ordinance. They were escorted to headquarters.

Salmon is the name of the first ship of the fleet built at the McEachern plant for the Government to come to Portland, she having arrived up Friday for dry-docking. The McEachern force turned out the hull and the machinery installation and general fitting out was done at the plant of the Astoria Marine Iron Works.

MEN ASK FOR MORE PAY

GRAINHANDLERS' COMMITTEE TO MEET EMPLOYERS TOMORROW.

New Rates Expected by Men to Operate Monday, but Other Side Propose Matter Be Arbitrated.

Developments yesterday in a situation growing out of a demand by the Grainhandlers' union for an advance in the wage scale from 70 to 80 cents straight time and from $1.05 to $1.20 an hour overtime, consisted chiefly of a proposal that a committee of the union would meet the employers at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Merchants' Exchange to discuss the subject. In their letter to the employers, a few days ago, setting forth the schedule of pay they sought, it was made plain that the new wages were expected to go into effect tomorrow.

The employers proposed, in answering the demand for more pay, that in view of increases granted during the past year, the entire matter be submitted to arbitration. No answer had been received to that offer yesterday, other than an oral request that the employers meet with the union committee tomorrow afternoon.

As to the justice of the demand for increased compensation, the employers say they are now paying 5 cents more an hour straight time than is allowed on Puget Sound, the scale there being 65 cents and $1. The straight time wage here was 55 cents an hour and in April of this year was boosted to 65 cents, while in July, say the employers, the men asked for a further increase and 70 cents was fixed.

Pacific Coast Shipping Notes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—The local monopoly of the tugboat business enjoyed by the Redstack Company since the organization was taken over by a local syndicate is a thing of the past. Competition in the form of a single tugboat owned by another concern has already made its appearance and according to popular rumor there may be a considerable fleet of competing craft in the near future.

Although there has been nothing tangible about the new competition, it became known today that the Matson tug Intrepid, which was shifted to this port from Honolulu some time ago, has already been injected into the local field. This occurred when one of the salmon packers was towed into port by the former island tug. It is believed that the movement has been started because of the fact that the Redstack Company has notified its patrons that a rise of 25 per cent in rates is now in effect.

According to advices received here today, the commandeered ship Star of Poland, which was thrown upon the beach on the coast of Japan September 15, while bound for a Pacific port, is fast becoming a complete wreck and there is now little possibility that anything can be done to salvage the Alaska Packing Company's $900,000 craft. The cablegram said that the vessel was breaking up fast and a lot of the million-dollar Oriental cargo was being strewn upon the sea and beach.

Columbia River Bar Report.

NORTH HEAD, Sept. 21.—Condition at 5 P. M.—Sea, smooth; wind, northwest eight miles.

LIQUOR OWNER CONVICTED

"Red Line" Motor Oil Turns Out to Be Sunnybrook Brand.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—Two barrels of booze masquerading as lubricating oil arrived in the city this morning, but were seized by the police. W. H. (Doc) Maple, owner of the contraband, was convicted in the Police Court of bringing liquor into the state and was fined $300, which he paid.

The barrels, which came from San Francisco, via Portland, were part of a shipment arriving a few days ago on the Rose City, some of them being marked "Havoline medium" and the others "Red Line heavy" motor oil.

Thirty quart bottles of Sunnybrook were tightly packed in each barrel in sand. The barrels were perfectly dry and clean on the outside, showing no trace of ordinary seepage, and this fact aroused the suspicions of the authorities.

Justice Fisher Resigns.

MANILA, P. I., Sept. 21.—Justice Frederick Charles Fisher, of the Philippine Supreme Court, has resigned to enter private practice. He was appointed in 1917 by President Wilson.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Sept. 21.—Maximum temperature, 63 degrees; minimum, 51 degrees. River reading, 5 A. M., 5.9 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.2 foot fall. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), none; total rainfall since September 1, 1918, .06 inch; normal rainfall since September 1, 1.06 inches; deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1918, .40 inch. Sunrise, 6:57 A. M.; sunset, 7:11 P. M.; total sunshine, 3 hours 50 minutes; possible sunshine, 12 hours 14 minutes. Moonrise, 6:32 P. M.; moonset, 7:34 A. M. Barometer (reduced to sea level) 5 P. M., 30.01 inches. Relative humidity at noon, 61 per cent.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS	Minimum temperature	Maximum temperature	Precipitation past 24 hours	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of Weather
Baker	52	80	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
Boise	56	88	0.00	10	NW	Pt. cloudy
Boston	50	..	0.00	..	W	Clear
Calgary	50	..	0.09	..	E	Cloudy
Chicago	46	56	0.00	..	NE	Clear
Denver	46	80	0.00	..	E	Clear
Des Moines	54	66	0.00	..	E	Clear
Eureka	54	60	0.01	8	NW	Cloudy
Galveston	69	70	0.00	..	NE	Clear
Helena	32	72	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
†Juneau	34	*56	0.00	..	..	Clear
Kansas City	44	84	0.00	..	SE	Clear
Los Angeles	60	78	0.00	10	SE	Pt. cloudy
Marshfield	48	64	0.04	28	N	Cloudy
Medford	42	72	0.00	..	S	Cloudy
Minneapolis	54	62	0.00	10	SE	Clear
New Orleans	54	70	0.00	..	N	Clear
New York	46	52	0.00	..	NW	Pt. cloudy
North Head	52	58	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
Yakima	52	82	0.00	..	SE	Pt. cloudy
Phoenix	74	102	0.00	..	SE	Clear
Pocatello	56	88	0.00	14	SW	Clear
Portland	52	62	0.00	..	SE	Cloudy
Roseburg	58	70	0.00	..	NW	Pt. cloudy
Sacramento	56	72	0.02	6	SE	Clear
St. Louis	42	60	0.00	..	NE	Clear
Salt Lake	58	88	0.00	..	S	Clear
San Diego	64	72	0.00	8	SW	Pt. cloudy
San Francisco	58	70	0.00	18	W	Clear
*Sitka	..	54	0.00	..	..	.....
Spokane	62	74	0.00	..	E	Cloudy
Tacoma	47	60	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy
Tatoosh Isl'nd	52	56	0.00	18	SW	Clear
Walla Walla	48	80	0.66	..	N	Rain
Washington	58	74	0.00	..	W	Cloudy
Winnipeg	44	60	0.40	18	NW	Cloudy
	44	68	0.00	12	S	Pt. cloudy

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

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Probably showers; cooler.

Washington and Oregon—Probably showers; cooler.

Idaho—Unsettled weather, probably showers; cooler.

EDWARD L. WELLS, Meteorologist.

FLOUR RULE PENDS

Government Is Likely to Purchase Only Mixed Article.

MILLS MUST BE CHANGED

California Will Supply Barley for Necessary Substitute--This Cereal Is in Large Supply and Prices Are Cheapening.

The mixed flour proposal of the Government is still pending. It is understood a delegation representing American millers will soon visit Washington to investigate the question, and if the Food Administration shows a disposition to put it through the millers will support it as a wartime measure. They are opposed to the repeal of the mixed flour tax law, but would, under the circumstances, indorse the steps proposed to suspend it for the duration of the war.

In the grain trade the opinion prevails that Mr. Hoover will stand by his proposal to buy for the Government only mixed flour containing 80 per cent wheat flour and 20 per cent substitutes. In that case the millers of the Pacific Northwest will have to find the means for making this mixed flour or suffer the loss of closing down. The big institutions that depend on export trade, it is believed, will adapt their plants to the new grind, and it is said some of them are already taking such steps.

The most logical substitute for them to use will be barley, as it can be handled much easier than corn and is decidedly cheaper. As the Northwestern barley crop is small, the California crop will have to be drawn upon. California has a normal barley crop this year of about 600,000 tons, and as her requirements for home consumption, Hawaii, etc., are only 250,000 to 300,000 tons, she will have a large surplus to dispose of. The Export Company has made no barley purchases in California yet, and it is possible no barley exporting will be done from that state this season. There is no chance of California barley going East, as the East has a large crop, and the brewers are out of the market probably for all time to come. The East is, in fact, shipping barley to the Western states, and some of it has already reached Oregon.

On the local board $52 was bid for milling barley yesterday and $50 for feed barley. The market is weak and dealers look for a further decline of about $5 a ton.

FRENCH WHEAT OF FINE QUALITY

British Crop Reports Are Favorable—Italian Harvest Completed.

Crop conditions abroad are summarized in Broomhall's cable of yesterday as follows:

United Kingdom—Crops of this midlands have been very favorably reported. Cutting of wheat and oats is going on actively. Crops generally presented a fine appearance. In some parts oats are light in bulk, while barley is fair and wheat good.

Italy—Harvesting is now practically completed with the outturn generally satisfactory. Large quantities of wheat will have to be imported during the current season, as the requirements of the army have increased considerably. The corn crop, which has been requisitioned by the government, is promising.

France—Weather has favored harvesting in the north and this operation is making rapid progress. Results of threshing are fine for wheat, rye and other grains. Many of the samples of new wheat are fully 62 to 64 pounds per bushel. Corn crop has improved, but fair outturn cannot be expected. Oats are very scarce, being absorbed by the army.

Spain—Harvesting is now finished and reports confirm that wheat is a maximum crop.

North Africa—Algeria has reported that threshing is active, but yields are somewhat disappointing, though the harvest on a whole is a good one.

Ukraine—Reports that the harvest would be above the average and there would be available for export 1,700,000 tons of grains; transport problem is difficult.

Argentina—Weather is now clear and crop outlook is favorable. Abundant rains have relieved practically all dry sections. Offerings of wheat are increasing, with prices declining, on temporary absence of export buying.

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET IS EASY

Corn Bids Are Reduced 50 Cents to $1.50. White Oats Down.

There was very little interest in the grain market yesterday. The undertone was rather weak. Corn bids were 50c@$1.50 lower and white bulk oats were down 50 cents. Sacked oats bids were unchanged.

Weather conditions in the Middle West, as wired from Chicago: "Minneapolis cloudy, 45 degrees; Duluth clear, cold; Winnipeg part cloudy, 45; Chicago clear, cold; Peoria part cloudy, 46; St. Louis clear, light frost; Kansas City foggy, 46; Omaha clear, 40, heavy frost; Ohio Valley clear. Forecast—Entire grain belt shows forecast of fair and warmer for tonight, Sunday and Monday. Canadian forecast—Manitoba, fine and a little warmer. Saskatchewan, fair and moderately warmer."

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

	Wheat.	Bar.	Fir.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Sat.	51	2	12	3	29
Year ago	30	2	3	7	12
Total this week	420	71	27	20	100
Year ago	100	5	21	72	54
Season to date	2705	286	853	197	1018
Year ago	542	54	167	288	443
Tacoma, Friday	17	...	...	2	3
Year ago	10	...	...	3	14
Season to date	1419	15	...	59	348
Year ago	437	17	...	57	486
Seattle, Friday	13	...	...	5	...
Year ago	24	...	...	11	15
Season to date	1478	19	431	157	760
Year ago	372	46	361	185	1207

BUTTER MARGIN NOT TO BE EXCEEDED

No Allowance Can Be Made for Shrinkage in Cutting or Storing.

The United States Food Administration wires that all handlers of butter, fresh or cold storage, must confine themselves to the margin of profit provided for different quantities; that the maximum margins allowed are considered by them as more than normal margins, and that handlers must not add entire margin, if by so doing they obtain an unreasonable profit on the investment.

No allowance can be made for shrinkage in cutting butter nor for shrinkage in weight in storing butter, as margins are believed sufficiently wide to cover shrinkage. Interest may be charged while butter is in storage, but not on delayed payments after sale.

POTATO PRICES ARE HOLDING STEADY

Local Receipts for Day Are Light—Onions in Small Supply.

There was a fair movement in potatoes yesterday and no important change in prices. Receipts were light. Eastern conditions for the day were summarized by the Bureau of Markets: "Minnesota sacked white stock again declined 5c in Chicago, ruling $2.50 per cwt., carlots; New Jersey Giants were strong at shipping points and ruled about steady in distributing markets; Maine white stock ruled nearly steady in distributing markets and sold $3.40@3.65 per barrel, bulk, trackside, at Presque Isle, Colorado and Idaho shipping points were about steady. Total shipments were very heavy."

Onion supplies were light and local prices very firm at $2.50@3 for Oregons and $2.75@3 for Californias. Two cars were shipped from California for Portland on Friday.

Good Demand for Tomatoes.

Tomato receipts, aside from home-grown, were 200 boxes by boat and 40 boxes by express. There was a good demand at 50@60 cents for the best stock and 35 cents up for others.

California cabbage is about finished for the season and dealers are filling their orders with Oregon grown. Local cauliflower is also on the market with the trade asking $2.25 a crate for the best. A fresh car of sweet potatoes was on sale at 5½@6 cents a pound.

GRAPES ARE STEADY IN PRICE

Cantaloupe and Pear Receipts Are Light—Cling Peaches Coming.

Two cars of California grapes arrived and 80 boxes of Oregons by express. There was a good demand and prices were steady. Oregon Concords were quoted generally at $1 per lug and 25 cents per basket. Tokays were held at $2.25 per crate, Muscats $2.25 per lug and Malagas 6@7 cents per pound.

There were no fresh arrivals of cantaloupes and prices were unchanged at $2.50@3 for Yakimas.

Pear receipts were small and prices steady, Bartletts bringing $1.50@1.75 per box and 5 cents a pound bulk. Oregon pear shipments were three cars to New York, two to Chicago and one each to Washington, Denver, Kansas City and Grand Island.

Limited quantities of Salway and Crawford peaches were on the market. Two cars of California Levi Clings are due and are quoted at $1.75 a box.

BUTTER WILL ADVANCE ON MONDAY

Three-Cent Lift Is Announced in Local Print Prices—Butterfat Also Up.

Butter prices are again moving upward. Monday morning there will be a three-cent advance in print quotations by the city creameries to 61 cents for plain wrapped and 62 cents for cartoned butter in box lots. The buying price of butterfat will be raised three cents to 63 cents.

Cube butter was a scarce article yesterday and extras were quoted firm at 55 cents.

There was no change in the egg situation. The demand was slow and prices barely steady.

Poultry and dressed meats cleaned up at unchanged prices.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$4,095,317	$1,629,926
Seattle	9,124,331	1,071,952
Tacoma	802,436	240,570
Spokane	1,548,444	489,507

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

	Portland.	Seattle.	Tacoma.
1918	$32,261,315	$47,876,539	$5,871,936
1917	16,992,484	26,765,811	3,430,285
1916	14,031,981	17,583,706	2,446,729
1915	10,358,871	12,027,662	1,943,718
1914	11,161,792	11,448,328	2,038,958
1913	13,937,870	14,367,039	2,416,454
1912	12,038,783	11,687,986	4,332,223
1911	11,400,424	10,755,260	4,489,204
1910	11,278,154	11,772,514	5,861,445
1909	6,895,414	8,092,799	5,632,230
1907	7,853,693	11,227,233	5,059,574
1906	6,306,647	12,268,570	4,866,585
1905	6,228,957	8,046,286	3,376,908

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

Merchants' Exchange, noon session:

September delivery—	Bid.
No. 2 white feed oats	$60.50
Standard feed barley	50.00
Standard "A" barley	52.00
Eastern corn and oats in bulk:	
No. 3 white oats	53.00
35-pound white clipped oats	55.00
No. 3 yellow corn	67.00
No. 3 mixed corn	67.00
October—	
No. 2 oats	60.50
Feed barley	50.00
"A" barley	52.00
No. 3 oats	53.50
Clipped oats	55.00
Yellow corn	66.50
Mixed corn	65.50

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, $11.50@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, 55c; prints, extras, box lots, 61c; cartons, box lots, 62c; half boxes, ½c more; less than half boxes, 1c more; butterfat, No. 1, 63c per pound, delivered Portland.

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

CHEESE—Tillamook, f. a. b. Tillamook: Triplets, 30c; Young Americas, 31c; longhorns, 31c per pound; Coos and Curry, f. o. b. Myrtle Point; Triplets, 28½c; Young Americas, 29½c per pound; longhorns, 29½c per pound.

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

VEAL—Fancy, 21c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 25c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations:

FRUITS—Oranges, Valencias, $9.25@10; lemons, $6@7.75 per box; bananas, 8@8½c per pound; grapefruit, $6.50; cantaloupes, $2.50@3 per crate; watermelons, 2½@3c per pound; peaches, $1.40@1.75; apples, $1@2.25 per box; plums, 2½@4c per pound; pears, $1.50@1.75 box, plums, 2½@3c per pound; casabas, 3@3½c pound; grapes $1@2.25 per crate.

VEGETABLES — Tomatoes, 55@60c 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, 90c per dozen; eggplant, 10@15c per pound; corn, 20@35c per dozen.

POTATOES—Oregons, $2.50@3 per hundred; Idahos, $3@3.25; Yakimas, $3.25.

ONIONS—Oregons, $2.50@3 per sack; California browns, $2.75@3.

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, $1.69 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@13¾c; large white, 11½@12c; colored, 8¾@8½c; lima, 15c.

COFFEE—Roasted, in drums, 17@25c.

Provisions.

Local jobbing quotations:

HAMS—All sizes, choice, 36¾@37½c; standard, 35¾@36¼c; skinned, none; picnics, 26c; cottage roll, 34c.

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

BACON—Fancy, 49@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, 10c; 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 horse hides, 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 takeoff, each, $2@3; dry sheep shearling, each, 25@50c; salted sheep shearling, 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@13 per pound.

TALLOW—No. 1, 13½c 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, 10c; cases, 20c.

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

TURPENTINE—In tanks, 84c; cases, 94c

ALL BONDS STRONG

Liberty and Foreign War Issues Are Higher.

STOCK LIST ALSO GAINS

Resumption of Outside Buying for Investment Is Indicated; Money Conditions Are in More Favorable Shape.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Continued strength in the stock market today, illustrated by a further upward rise in prices, was held in some quarters to reflect a stronger investment position.

The opinion was emphasized by the weekly bank statement, issued after the market's strong close. The statement showed the expected improvement in monetary conditions, the surplus reserves having increased $40,380,950 during the week. This condition operated to the advantage of stock-exchange borrowers, funds being more freely supplied during the week, which caused an expansion of $72,648,000 in the loan account.

The scope of the buying movement was interpreted as indicating some accession of outside orders, which contributed to a comprehensive advance in specialties of 1 to 2 points. Dealings, however, were largely of a professional character, with more general buying for the long and short account. Sales amounted to 140,000 shares.

Liberty bonds strengthened after an early interval of heaviness, while foreign issues ruled higher, Paris 6s again breaking into new ground for the movement at 96½. The general bond market was steady. Total sales, par value, $3,975,000. United States bonds, old issues, were unchanged on call on the week.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing bid.
Am Beet Sugar	....	....	....	69¾
American Can	300	44½	44½	44½
Am Car & Fdry	700	86¾	85¾	85¾
American Loco	300	65½	65	65¼
Am S & Refg	....	....	....	78¾
Am Sugar Refg	....	....	....	108½
Am Tel & Tel	....	....	....	96¾
Anaconda Cop	4,300	68¾	67¾	68¾
Atl G & W I S S	400	86	86	86
Balt & Ohio	200	105½	105	105
California Petrol	....	....	....	19
Central Leather	1,200	68½	68¼	68
Canadian Pac	800	164	163	163
Ches & Ohio	....	....	....	37½
Ch M & St Paul	....	....	....	49½
Chicago & N W	....	....	....	94
C R I & P ctfs	400	25¼	25	25¼
Chino Copper	200	39¼	38¾	39¼
Colo Fl & Ir	200	46¾	46¾	46¾
Corn Prdcts Refg	....	....	....	42¾
Crucible Steel	....	....	....	65½
Cuba Cane Sugar	....	....	....	30¼
Distil Securities	2,700	54¾	53¾	54¾
Erie	....	....	....	15¾
General Electric	....	....	....	145½
General Motors	400	118	117	117
Great North Pfd	....	....	....	89¼
Gt Nor O ctfs	1,400	31¾	31¼	31¾
*Illinois Central	....	....	....	95
Inspir Copper	900	54	53¾	54
Int M M Pfd	12,500	104¼	103¾	104¼
Inter Nickel	700	30¼	30¼	30¼
Inter Paper	....	....	....	32
Kan City South	....	....	....	17¾
Kennecott Cop	200	33¾	33½	33¾
Lehigh V R R	....	....	....	114¾
Maxwell Motors	....	....	....	27
Mexican Petrol	6,900	105¾	104¾	104¾
Miami Copper	100	28	28	28
Missouri Pacific	200	24	24	24
Nevada Copper	300	20¾	20¼	20¼
N Y Central	1,100	73¼	72¾	72¾
N Y N H & H	1,700	39¾	39¾	39½
Nor & Western	....	....	....	103½
Northern Pac	....	....	....	87¾
Pacific Mail	200	32¾	32¼	32¾
Pennsylvania	900	44	43¾	44
*Pittsburg Coal	....	....	....	49
Ray Con Cop	....	23¾	23½	23¾
Reading	6,100	88¼	87¾	88¼
Rep Ir & Steel	900	91¾	91	91
Southern Pac	200	86	85¾	86
Southern Ry	600	26¾	26¾	26¾
Studebaker Cor	3,400	47¾	46	47
Texas Co	1,700	163	161¾	162¾
Union Pacific	900	124	123¾	123¾
U S Indus Al	800	116½	110	110
U S Steel	44,200	111¼	110¼	110¾
U S Steel pfd	300	110¾	110¾	110¾
Utah Copper	....	....	....	81¼
West Electric	300	43¾	43½	43½
Bethlehem B	2,500	82¾	82¾	82¾

*Bid.

Total sales for the day 140,000 shares.

BONDS.

U S rf 2s reg	98	Pac T & T 5s	*88¾
do rcf 2s coup	*98	Penn con 4½s	*93¾
U S 3s reg	*83	U P 4s	*85
do coup	*83	U S Steel 5s	97
U S 4s reg	*106½	S P cv 5s	90¼
do coup	*106½	Anglo-French 5s	94¾
Atchen gen 4s	86¼	U S Lib 3½s	100.16
D & R G rcf 5s	55	do 1st 4s	96.00
N Y Cent deb 6s	93¼	2d 4s	95.70
Nor Pac 4s	80	do 1st cv 4s	96.00
Nor Pac 3s	*57	do 1st cv 4¼s	96.28
		do 2d 4¼s	95.98

*Bid.

Money, Exchanges Etc.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Mercantile paper unchanged.

Sterling unchanged, demand $4.75 7-16; cables $4.76 9-16. France, demand 5.48; cables, 5.47. Guilders, demand 48; cables, 48¼. Lire, demand 6.37; cables 6.35.

Mexican dollars unchanged.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Money and discounts unchanged.

SPECULATIVE ACCOUNTS ARE REDUCED

Stock Market is on Sounder Basis Since Recent Liquidation.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—A situation wholly inverse in character was reflected by the movement of prices in the stock market this week, as compared with the previous week. Instead of daily liquidation, impelled by the necessity to respond to Government desires that speculation be reduced to a minimum, constant buying was in evidence, particularly after the mid-week. The very strictness with which Wall street abided by the Federal mandates had what was described as a house cleaning effect—heavy reduction of speculative accounts, with lack of inclination on the part of professional interests to borrow money from banks, even had this capital been available.

This progress served to infuse the more healthful atmosphere sought by the Government and to leave the way clear for influences of the customary bullish character to exert themselves without being opposed by the artificial restraint of the previous week.

These favorable influences were diversified. Trade conditions were improved, money supplies were more abundant; the prospects of the forthcoming liberty loan were considered excellent. Moreover, support was stimulated by the prog