WALLA WALLA WHEAT HARVEST IS OVER AND PLOWING IS TO BEGIN

Farmers Are Awaiting Rains for Fall Work—Planting Likely to Prove Heavier Than Year Ago Because of Better Yields.

Walla Walla, Wash., Sept. 13.—Now that the last stray field of wheat in the higher levels of the Walla Walla valley has been garnered, and hauling is nearly completed, the farmers of this section of the state are looking forward to a heavy precipitation that will place the ground in good condition for fall plowing.

There have been comparatively few sales during the past week, even though prices have shown a slight upward tendency, and the deals closed have been of a small nature, the majority of the growers still holding on for higher figures. Club now is selling for 70@71½c, with some slight prospects for an increase during the coming week.

The weather for the 1913 harvest has been, according to all farmers, the most ideal experienced here in many years, but one or two light showers having fallen since the first grain was cut. The roads now are in such a bad condition, due to the heavy hauling of the past three weeks, that the farmers are anxious for rain. The fields, it is said, will be in fine condition for plowing with a heavy rain, and as soon as the soil is sufficiently moistened the work will be started.

It is the general opinion of farmers near this city that the acreage of fall sown grain this year will be considerably larger than was seeded last fall, because of the fact that the fall sown grain harvested had every advantage over the spring sown wheat, and showed a better average yield throughout the country.

CATTLE TRADE HERE SHOWS WEAKNESS IN NEARLY EVERY LINE

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Late Tuesday Sales.

STEERS			
Montana	6	1245	$7.25
Montana	28	1218	8.10
Montana	34	1234	8.10
Oregon	20	1177	7.80
Montana	10	1101	7.25
Montana	1	1170	7.25
Montana	24	1282	8.10
Montana	23	1138	7.75
Montana	2	1130	7.35
BULLS			
Montana	1	1560	$5.50
STAGS			
Montana	1	1260	$6.50
HEIFERS			
Montana	18	1734	$7.00
COWS			
Montana	11	1136	$6.00
Oregon	1	900	5.00
Oregon	5	1204	6.75
Oregon	1	1130	6.00
Montana	2	1140	6.75
Montana	32	1080	6.75
Montana	5	1104	6.00
Montana	2	1095	5.50
Oregon	1	1080	5.75
Oregon	14	980	6.15

Wednesday's Livestock Sales.

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
BULLS			
Oregon	1	1050	$5.50
CALVES			
Oregon	16	257	$8.50
Oregon	68	202	8.90
HOGS			
Oregon	48	192	$9.00
Oregon	74	155	8.60
Oregon	17	110	8.00
Oregon	8	243	7.60

Wednesday Afternoon Sales.

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
STEERS			
Oregon	26	1144	$7.75
Oregon	26	1160	7.75
Oregon	5	1054	7.75
Oregon	29	942	7.50
Oregon	21	901	7.35
Oregon	7	1160	7.25
Oregon	18	1170	6.75
COWS			
Oregon	3	1100	$6.50
HEIFERS			
Oregon	1	890	$7.00
Oregon	3	890	6.75
Oregon	4	638	6.75
Oregon	1	840	6.50
BULLS			
Oregon	1	1050	$5.50
HOGS			
Oregon	48	192	$9.00
Washington	71	198	$8.95
Oregon	74	155	8.60
Oregon	17	110	8.00
Washington	2	400	7.95
Washington	1	310	7.95
Washington	1	190	7.95
Oregon	3	242	7.60
YEARLINGS			
Oregon	282	84	$4.25
Oregon	285	85	4.25

Thursday Morning Sales.

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
STEERS			
Oregon	24	1082	$7.25
Oregon	17	1054	7.15
COWS			
Oregon	7	950	$5.40
CALVES			
Oregon	3	260	$8.25
HOGS			
Oregon	5	70	$9.50
Oregon	99	160	8.90
Oregon	1	170	7.90
Oregon	4	280	7.90

Friday Morning Sales.

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
STEERS			
Idaho	1	1050	$7.75
Idaho	4	1037	7.50
STAGS			
Idaho	3	863	$6.75
Idaho	1	1060	6.00
HOGS			
Oregon	9	205	$9.00
Idaho	50	196	9.00
Washington	45	174	9.00
Washington	54	198	9.00
Oregon	103	171	8.80
Idaho	3	253	8.50
EWES			
Oregon	58	114	$3.50
LAMBS			
Oregon	48	70	$4.50

Friday Afternoon Sales.

Section.	No.	Ave. lbs.	Price.
STEERS			
Oregon	1	1047	$7.75
Washington	28	865	7.40
Washington	27	859	7.40
Oregon	12	1201	7.25
Oregon	2	950	6.00
COWS			
Oregon	25	845	$5.50
Oregon	3	1018	4.00
BULLS			
Oregon	1	1410	$5.75
Oregon	2	1170	5.50
Oregon	2	1005	4.50
HOGS			
Idaho	93	198	$9.00
Idaho	89	186	8.40
EWES			
Oregon	234	92	$3.50

EXCITED MARKET IS SHOWN FOR HOPS IN ALL WORLD CENTERS

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crop around Eugene is beginning to come in, the growers and dealers are beginning to realize that the crop this year is heavier than for several years past. Ed T. Bushnell, who has a small yard of 25 acres just across the river from the city, reports a yield of over a ton to the acre, whereas an ordinary crop has been from 1000 to 1500 pounds to the acre. In an ordinary year he picks his crop in three days, but it is taking between five and six days this year. Similar reports come in from other yards. The Campbell & Walker yard of 16 acres, on the streetcar line between Eugene and Springfield, has yielded 2500 pounds to the acre, which is above the average. From larger yards, which have not yet finished picking, also come encouraging reports.

CAMPERS ENJOY SCENIC GRANDEUR OF WALLOWA COUNTY

Picturesque scenes in the Wallowa lake region. Top, left to right—Ice Lake falls; camping party en route to Eagle Cap. Bottom, left to right—The summit of Eagle Cap in mid-August; Wallowa lake.

The scenic grandeur of the Wallowa Lake region was appreciated in full measure recently by a camping party which included Dr. and Mrs. M. W. Isle and Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Foster of Clarkston, Wash., Miss Florence Gambell of Portland, and Russell French of Enterprise, Or., who enjoyed an outing in this neighborhood under the guidance of Zachary Humphreys of Joseph, Or. Each member of the party returned enthusiastic over their outing experiences in this northeastern section of the state which is said to rival Switzerland from a scenic standpoint.

The party visited the picturesque Wallowa lake, one of the beauty spots of Oregon which is in the Powder river mountains at an elevation of 4500 feet. The trip to Eagle Cap, a 10,000 foot peak, was the big feature of the outing. From the head of Wallowa lake, the party, on horseback, followed the upper lake basin trail and when night overtook them they camped by the way. As the higher altitudes were reached snow was encountered, although the calendar read mid-August.

CROOK COUNTY HARVEST

Operations Well Under Way and Some Fair Yields Reported.

Prineville, Or., Sept. 13.—The grain harvest is well under way in Crook county, most of the dry land crops have been threshed in this vicinity and many machines are operating in the Culver, La Monta and Madras districts. While the crops are reported light in many districts, there are several notable exceptions where yields of 25 to 28 bushels of wheat per acre have been reported. These crops are grown by the farmers who employ methods of summer tillage, the importance of which is being realized more and more each year in this part of the state. It is estimated that better farming methods will double the yield of wheat in this part of the state during the next five years.

The harvest of wheat and other grain crops grown on irrigated lands has just commenced and will be as good as the average yield.

Farmers are selling considerable wheat locally, the mill paying 70c, while like prices prevail at Bend, Redmond and Madras. There will be at least twice as much grain fed to hogs in this locality this fall, and many farmers will feed chopped wheat and barley to dairy cows.

STUBBORN TONE NOW SHOWN FOR WHEAT IN THE CHICAGO MARKET

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over the northwest but there was no claim that any damage was done on either side of the line. Elevator interests were on the selling side of December and May the last hour.

Last prices for oats futures were barely a fraction better than the low point for the day. This trade follows readily any display of weakness in corn. Shipping sales were reported at 200,000 bushels.

Liquidation by holders, big and little, was the order of the day in the provision trade. Brokers reported selling by scattered holders the early months during the morning. Later there was selling pressure in January and May which appeared to be for packing interests.

Range of Chicago prices furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co., 216-217 Board of Trade building:

Month.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	
WHEAT					
Sept.	88	88⅝	88	88⅛	
Dec.	91	91¼	90⅝	90⅞	A
May	96	96⅛	95⅝	95⅝	A
CORN					
Sept.	75⅛	75½	73⅞	73⅞	
Dec.	72⅝	72⅝	71½	71⅝	A
May	74	74⅛	72⅞	72⅞	
OATS					
Sept.	41⅞	41⅞	41⅝	41⅝	
Dec.	44½	44⅝	43⅞	44	
May	47½	47½	46⅞	47	A
PORK					
Jan.	1977	1980	1972	1975	A
May	1995	1995	1987	1990	
LARD					
Sept.	1110	1110	1107	1107	A
Oct.	1115	1115	1107	1110	B
Jan.	1087	1087	1080	1080	B
RIBS					
Sept.	1092	1095	1082	1082	
Oct.	1102	1102	1085	1087	B
Jan.	1040	1045	1037	1040	A

PORTLAND JOBBING PRICES

These prices are those at which wholesalers sell to retailers, except as otherwise stated:

BUTTER — Nominal. Creamery cubes, 34c; state creamery, 32@33c lb.; ranch butter, 22c.

EGGS—Nominal. Candled local extras, 34@35c; ordinary candled, 33@34c; case count, 29c; spot buying price, 29c f. o. b. Portland; eastern 29c.

LIVE POULTRY — Hens 17c; broilers, 19c; stags, 14c; geese, 12c; Pekin ducks, 12c; Indian Runners, 11c; turkeys, 18c; dressed 23@25c; pigeons, old, $1; young $1.50 dozen.

CHEESE—Nominal. Fresh Oregon fancy full cream twins and triplets, 16½c; daisies, 17c; Young America, 17½c.

BUTTER FAT—Producers' price for Portland delivery, per lb., 34c.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—Producers' price 20c.

WOOL—Nominal, 1913 clip. Willamette valley, coarse, Cotswold, 16c lb.; medium Shropshire, 17c; choice fancy lots, 18c lb.; eastern Oregon, 10@16c, according to shrinkage.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK—1913, car lots, 5c; less than car lots, 4½c.

HIDES—Dry hides, 21@22c lb.; green, 11c; salted hides, 11c; bulls, green salt, 8c; kips, 12@13c; calves, dry, 24@25c; calf skins, salted or green, 17@18c; green hides, 1c less than salted; sheep pelts, salted, shearings, 10@30c; dry, 10c.

MOHAIR—1913—Nominal 30c.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS—Selling price—Country killed: Hogs, fancy, 12@12½c; ordinary, 11@11½c; rough and heavy, 9c; fancy veals, 15@15½c; ordinary, 14½@15c; poor, 11@12c; lambs 10c; mutton, 10c; goats, 3@4c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC. — Hams, 21@23c; breakfast bacon, 17½@30c; boiled ham, 29½c; picnics, 12½c; cottage, 1½c.

LARD — Tierces, 15¾c; compound tierces, 10¾c.

MEATS—Packing house—Steers, No. 1 stock, 13@14c; cows, No. 1 stock (—); ewes, 10c; wethers, 11c; yearling lambs, 14c; pork loins, 15½c; dressed hogs, 13c lb.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon (—); per 100 lb. sack (—); Olympia, per gallon, $3.50; per 100 lb. sack, (—); canned, eastern, 50c can; $6.50 dozen; eastern, in shell, $1.75@2 per 100; razor clams, $2@2.25 box.

FISH—Nominal. Dressed flounders, 7c; halibut, 7@9c; striped bass, 17c; chinook salmon, 9c; steelheads, (—); soles 7c lb.; shrimps, 2½c; perch, 8c lb.; lobsters, 30c lb.; black bass, 20c; silver smelt, 8c; shad, 8c; black cod, 8c; sturgeon, 12@13c lb.

Fruits and Vegetables.

FRESH FRUITS — Oranges $5.00@6.00; bananas, 3½@4c per lb.; lemons, $8@9; limes, $10 per 100; grapefruit, California, $5.50; pineapples, 6½@7c lb.; cantaloupes, $1.25; peaches, Crawfords 50@60c; Elbertas 40@50c; watermelons 1@1½c; grapes, $1@1.50; pears $1.00.

BERRIES—Gooseberries, 2@3c; raspberries, $1@1.25 per crate; black caps, $1.50; currants, $1.25; Loganberries, $1.00; blackberries, $1.25; huckleberries, 12½c lb.

APPLES — Eating apples, $2@2.50; cooking apples, $1.25@1.50.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.25@1.50; beets, $1.25@1.50; carrots, $1.25@1.50; parsnips, $1.50 sack; cabbage, $1.75@2; local tomatoes, 65@75c box; string beans, 2@3c lb.; green onions, 12½c dozen bunches; peppers, bell, 4@6c; head lettuce, 35c dozen; celery, 60@70c; egg plant, 7c; cauliflower $1.20@1.25 dozen; rhubarb, local, 2½c; artichokes, 75c dozen; sprouts, 10c lb.; spinach, local, 3c lb.; peas, 6@7c; green corn, 15@20c per dozen.

POTATOES — Selling price: Extra choice, $1.25; choice, $1.15; ordinary $1.10 sack; buying price, carloads, 85@90c; country points; sweets, 2½c lb.

ONIONS—Jobbing price, $1.60; garlic, 8@9c lb.

Groceries.

RICE—Japan style: No. 1, 5½@5¾c; New Orleans head, 5¾@7c; Creole, 5¼c.

SUGAR—Cube, $6.05; powdered, $5.85; fruit or berry, $5.55; beet, $5.45; dry granulated, $5.65; D yellow, $4.95. (Above quotations are 30 days net cash.)

HONEY—New, $2.75 per case.

BEANS—Small white, 6 2-5c; large white, 5½c; pink, 4¼c; limas 6¼c; pinks, 4c; bayo, 4½c.

SALT—Coarse, half grounds, 100s, $10 per ton; 50s, $10.75; table dairy, 50s, $18; 10s, $17.50; bales, $2.25; extra fine barrels, 2s, 5s and 10s, $5.25@6.00; lump rock, $20.50 per ton.

Paints, Coal Oil, Etc.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls., 62c per gal.; kettle boiled, bbls., 64c gal.; raw cases, 67c; boiled cases, 69c gallon; lots of 250 gallons, 1c less; oil cake meal, $44 per ton.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 8c per lb.; 500 lb. lots 8c per lb.; less lots, 8½c per lb.

OIL MEAL—Carload lots, $34.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 73c; wood barrels, 70c; iron barrels, 66c per gallon; 10 case lots, 72c.

FREE TRADE FAILS TO LOWER THE PRICE OF WOOL IN THE NATION

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the agitation has been so long continued and the possibility of the adverse tariff so often considered from every point of view that the trade is much more resigned than could have been expected. It still is possible for some changes to be made in the bill in conference, but it seems to be taken for granted that the senate date for the wool and woolen rates to go into operation will prevail. That the conferees will reverse the action of the senate regarding the duties on tops and yarns is recognized as a forlorn hope.

901 Foot Skyscraper Planned.

New York, Sept. 13.—A skyscraper whose topmost tower will rise 901 feet above the curb is planned by the Pan American States association. Unless plans miscarry, it will be built in this city, constructed wholly of materials from the Latin-American republics, will wrest from the Woolworth building the distinction of being the world's tallest habitable structure, and will be ready for occupancy with the opening of the Panama-Pacific exposition in California in 1915.

HEAVY PEAR CANNING

Eugene Association Put Up Third of Million Pounds — Big Prune Crop in Sight.

Eugene, Or., Sept. 13.—More than a third of a million pounds of pears have been canned at the cannery of the Eugene Fruitgrowers' association, and the biggest run on pears in the history of the association closes this evening. Monday the association will begin drying prunes. It is said that the crop this year is the largest in years. It is expected that 5,000,000 pounds of prunes, green, will be dried and packed and shipped at the cannery during the next few weeks. These two crops, most of which is already sold, will net the growers over $125,000.

J. O. Holt, manager of the association, has discovered a plum that can be raised in Lane county and that can be shipped. For years he has experimented with several varieties, but without raising one that would stand to ship any distance. What he sought was one with a desirable flavor, but one which will keep when packed for shipment across the continent. He has found that the Wixon, a plum that is adapted to the soil of this valley, meets these requirements. It looks very much like a peach and is said to be delicious. He will plant a lot of trees of this variety and will advise others to do the same.

San Francisco Barley Calls.

San Francisco, Sept. 13.—Barley calls:

Dec.	$1.43¾	$1.44⅝
May	1.45	1.49½

JEALOUS HUBBY BREAKS INTO WRONG APARTMENT

New York, Sept. 13.—As the result of a serious blunder on his part, James B. Zarding, a traveling salesman of Brooklyn, and four private detectives whom he had employed in an effort to obtain damaging evidence against his wife, whom he wishes to divorce, were sentenced each to one month in jail. Zaring had for some time suspected his wife, and had her shadowed to a certain apartment house by private detectives. One night last week, after the sleuths had reported that Mrs. Zaring was visiting some one in one of the flats of the apartment house in question, Mr. Zaring, accompanied by four detectives, made his way to the apartment house and stealthily climbed up the fire escape to reach the flat where his unfaithful wife was supposed to be.

Through some unpardonable blunder, Zaring and his helpers entered the wrong flat, and when the occupants, an artist and his wife, awakened from the noise made by the intruders, climbing through the window, defended themselves against the supposed burglars, a terrible fight in the dark ensued. Furniture was upset, lamps and vases were broken, and so much noise was made that the occupant of the adjoining flat, who happened to have a woman visitor, blew a police whistle and then made his escape down the fire escape, while his visitor fled down the stairs.

Zaring was miserable enough when he learned that he had invaded the wrong flat, and when the magistrate sentenced him and his helpers to a month in jail, but when he was informed that it was the occupant of the flat which he had intended to invade who had blown the police whistle and had then made his escape, he was even more dejected.

Secretary Lane Is Recovering.

Berkeley, Cal., Sept. 13.—Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane, who collapsed in Oakland on Admission Day, is recovering at the home of his brother, Dr. Frederick Lane, in Berkeley. Secretary Lane was taken for a short automobile ride yesterday and expressed himself as feeling much better. He announced today that he would remain here indefinitely, but feels that his recovery is now assured.

PARISIAN POLICE COPE WITH BURGLARIES OF THE BURLESQUE KIND

On One Occasion Gallant Policeman Shoots Colleague in Leg; "Spirit" Gets Silver.

(By the International News Service.)

Paris, Sept. 13.—Three comic burglaries have occurred during the week here.

Three burglars were surprised in an attempt to break into a house in the Baubourg du Temple and tried to escape. Two of them succeeded, but the third was confronted by Mme. Amaga, the occupant of the house. He implored pardon, saying that he had taken refuge in the house as he was pursued by Apaches.

The woman professed pity for him and hid him in a bed. The man fell in with the idea without suspicion, and two minutes later Mme. Amaga returned with a couple of policemen and gave him in charge.

At Dijon when M. Charles, a shopkeeper, returned home in the night he heard noises which he took to be caused by burglars. He ran for the police and with them reentered the house. One of the policemen, however, was so agitated—whether from fear or the prospect of promotion is not stated—that he fired too soon and shot his colleague in the leg.

The while the policeman was being taken to hospital the "burglar" was discovered. The noise which had alarmed M. Charles was the snoring of his servant in the next room, and what annoyed the policemen most was that she slept through it all.

The third case has a spiritualistic setting. M. and Mme. Masser, living in the Rue Croix Nivert, in Paris, declared that since the death of their only son two years ago they had been in the habit of conversing with him. The other evening, while they sat in darkness waiting for the spirit to appear, they heard a noise in the next room.

They waited in vain for the spirit to manifest itself, and got up to go to bed with the consoling thought that it had been there, although it had not spoken to them. Before retiring they looked into the dining room next door, and what they saw shook their faith in spiritualism.

Everything of value had been removed by the "spirit," whom the concierge declared had rushed past her on the stairs carrying a well filled bag.

ILLUMINATED FISH FOUND IN AUSTRALIA

Sydney, Sept. 13.—A new species of fish having the appearance of an electrically lighted ferryboat has been secured in the Australian Bight at the great depth of 350 fathoms.

This curious fish, which has 53 brilliant light organs on either side of its body, which itself shines like a mirror, has been named the tudor. It was hauled to the surface by the trawler Endeavor, and will be placed on exhibition at the Australian museum at Sydney.

More than 100 other entirely new varieties were obtained; all the specimens inhabiting these submarine depths being more or less luminous.

Several fish of a jet black color, with a skin like velvet studded all over with scintillating encrustations of bluish light were also obtained, some being shaped like a pair of bellows.

PARIS POLICE FACING A MURDER MYSTERY; WEALTHY MAN SHOT

Victim's Pretty Wife Insists Husband Committed Suicide —Riddle Puzzles Sleuths.

By William Philip Simms.
(United Press Leased Wire.)

Paris, Sept. 13.—With a bullet in his brain and five others in various parts of the torso, principally in the back, the body of millionaire Leon Poeckos was found by the police shortly after midnight, June 23, doubled up on a bed in his richly furnished home, 37 Rue Faidherbe, in the aristocratic suburb of Saint Mande.

The police today are still trying to solve the riddle. How did the rich man come by his death? Was he murdered by someone from the outside? Did he commit suicide, as his pretty wife, who was in the room at the time, insists? Was he shot by the latter as he lay asleep at her side? Or did he rise to slay the strange and gory phantom, which he often said followed him, and thus die by his own hand, by accident?

To complicate the situation Mme. Poeckes was expecting the arrival of the stork on or about the night of the tragedy. Could she, she asks, no matter what the provocation, slay the father of her child at such a time? The police believed she could, and arrested her on suspicion, locking her up in the famous prison of St. Lazarre here where here baby, christened Marie, was born.

On account of the wealth and social prominence of the principals, the affair is likened to the Steinheil murder mystery which was followed by the trial and acquittal of Mme. Steinheil, the artist's wife. Another such trial is a certainty, for in spite of Mme. Poeckes' protestations of innocence the police claim to have a strong case against her.

"On the night of June 23," Mme. Poeckes told the police, "my husband and I went to bed around 9:30. Shortly before midnight—I knew the time by what happened afterwards—I was awakened with a violent start by the noise of a pistol shot at my side. I thought my husband was in the grip of one of his terrible hallucinations and instinctively I sprang up to defend myself. I remember feeling the revolver against my hand which was gripping his; of a little struggle; of more pistol shots, while my husband's arm was twisted back of him. Later I discovered the firearm in my hand and I unloaded it; then, in a daze I telephoned for help."

This is the wife's story in a nutshell. She has told it over and over again and cannot be shaken in any of the details. Her face, framed in a wealth of Bernhardtish hair has been described as being a perfect type of the sweet, primitive Italian seen in the paintings of Bernardino Luini.

The Poeckes family formally charge the wife with the murder.

GERMANY WORRIED OVER ARMY OF UNEMPLOYED

Berlin, Sept. 13.—With an unprecedented army of unemployed to assist, feed and shelter, government and municipal authorities and the charitable labor organizations of Germany, are looking forward to the coming winter with more than usual dread. Not in many years has there been so many unemployed in the summer. As winter nears this number is swelling rapidly. Knowing from experience that unemployment and hunger tends to create disorder among the masses, the state and municipal authorities are already casting about to create work and increase the facilities of the homes for the homeless and needy.

Few visitors to Berlin with its beautiful streets, flower covered balconies, dressy crowds and gay night life would suspect that hunger, misery and wretchedness could exist there. A visit to the night shelters, refugee homes and employment offices, tells the other side of the story.

Political unrest, the Balkan war and the financial and industrial situation, has had a most depressing effect upon the labor market.

SENATOR PAGE PLEADS GUILTY TO LOBBYING

Washington, Sept. 13.—At least one member of the senate of the United States has confessed his misdeeds. His name is Page. He comes from Vermont. He stood on the senate floor on the afternoon when the sugar tariff schedule was being disposed of and pleaded for a little more protection for the maple sugar of his state.

"I plead guilty," he said, hesitatingly, "to having been an insidious lobbyist for the past five years, and now it all goes for naught."

Democratic and Republican members alike nodded solemnly. Then one by one they chuckled. For scarcely a man among them had not acepted from Page of Vermont, along in March of any one of these past five seasons of "sugaring off," a box of the finest maple sugar that ever reached the capital. Each box was packed full of half-ounce cakes separately wrapped, and on the cover was a picture of the old-fashioned bobsled drawn by a yoke of steers, waiting beside a big maple tree in the woods. It was a lobby gift that reached the spot.

Senator Williams for the Democrats tried to explain why maple sugar did not need governmental bounty, but had been caught in Page's net along with the others, and the best he would do was to set the senate laughing. Page lost his tariff argument by a margin of only two votes—the closest roll call yet had on the bill.

JUDGE DECIDES CASE BY BIBLICAL CLAUSE

Fort Smith, Ark., Sept. 13.—Henry C. Read, mayor of Fort Smith, under the commission form of government, is likewise police judge. He is a leader in church work and his Bible has become a greater factor in deciding cases than the laws.

Their slumbers disturbed by the nightly worship of the Holiness band, residents of an eastern district of the city appealed to the authorities for relief. The result was the arrest of Parson Bowie, leader of the band.

Bowie declined to take the oath when arraigned in court, declaring it was against the teachings of the Bible. He stated that the Holiness belief was based on the whole Bible, and they believed every word of it.

Mayor Read then took the Bible, and, turning to the sermon on the mount, read Christ's admonition not to be like the scribes and Pharisees, who made loud prayers, but to pray secretly.

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