EDUCATORS DEVOUR EVERY CHICKEN IN SIGHT—WANT MORE

Buyers Kept Busy Getting Plump Hens and Broilers for the Big Hotels; Raspberry Growers Pray for Rain.

The National Educational association delegates certainly like chickens.

Front street has been running around in circles this week trying to supply the demand of the big hotels and boarding houses for plump hens and tasty broilers.

The price has steadily climbed from 15c to 20c on good hens and at least 2c a pound on the broilers and still the demand is unsatisfied.

High class chickens have been scarce all week as a result of this big demand although shipments have been fairly heavy.

RASPBERRY MARKET IS FIRM

Now the raspberry growers are praying for rain. Unless they get some cool weather and rain the late berries are going to be on before the early berries are out of the way, and the season accordingly shortened by at least a week, say the larger growers. The berry market was firm, with demand good.

CHERRIES ARE HIGH CLASS

Front street had a fine supply of good quality Royal Anne and Bing cherries on hand. Cherries have been especially good this year. The average price for the good stuff was 10c this morning, with the market weak. Retailers in the public market were selling at 10c themselves.

SHIPPERS' WEATHER NOTICE

Protect shipments during the next 36 hours against the following maximum temperatures: Going north, 75 degrees; northeast over the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad, 95 degrees; east to Baker, 90 degrees, and south to Ashland, 95 degrees. Maximum temperature at Portland tomorrow about 85 degrees.

JOBBING PRICES IN PORTLAND

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

Dairy Products

BUTTER — Creamery, prints in paraffine wrappers, extras, 33c; prime first, 30½c; firsts, 30½c; cubes, 1c less; cartons, 1c advance.

BUTTERFAT — Portland delivery, No. 1 cream, 38c.

CHEESE—Selling price: Fresh Oregon fancy full cream triplets, 24@25c; Young America, 26@26c. Price to jobbers, flats, 23c; Young America, 24c, f. o. b.; cream brick, 28@29c; Limburger, 31@32c; block Swiss, 34@35c.

EGGS—Selling price: Case count, 31½@32c per dozen; buying price, 30½@31c dozen; selling price, candled, 33@34c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, heavy Plymouth Rocks 17@20c lb.; ordinary chickens, 16@17c lb.; stags, 13c per lb.; broilers, 18@20c per lb.; turkeys, 20@21c per lb.; dressed, fancy 25@26c per lb.; culls, 20@24c; squabs, $2.00 per dozen; geese, 10c per lb.; ducks, young, 20c per lb.; Indian Runners, old ducks, 16c per lb.; pigeons, $1.25 per dozen.

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, $3.50@3.85 box; bananas, 5½c per lb.; lemons, $4.50@5.50; California grapefruit, $2.00@3.50; Florida; $6.00@7.00; cantaloupes, pontes, $2.10@2.25; standard, $2.40@2.50; flats, $1.10@1.35; watermelons, 2½@2½c lb; cherries, 6@10c lb.; apricots, $1.75@2.00 per crate; peaches, $1.00 @1.25; plums, $1.75.

BERRIES—Strawberries: Local, $1.85@2.25, blackberries, $1.25; loganberries, $1.50; gooseberries, 3@5c per lb.; currants, $1.25@1.50; raspberries, $1.75@2.00.

APPLES—Local, $2.50@3.25, according to quality.

ONIONS—California, new red, $175; yellow, $1.85.

POTATOES—Selling price, table stock, local, $8.50. Buying price, ordinary shipping, $2.75; new potatoes, 4½@5c; sweet potatoes, 17½@20c per lb.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $2.00 per sack; carrots, $3.00 sack; beets, $3.00 sack; parsnips, $2.50 sack; cabbage, California, 2c lb.; green onions, 25c dozen bunches; peppers, 40c lb.; head lettuce, $1.75@2.00 per crate; celery, $1.25@1.35 per crate; artichokes, 90c@$1.10; cucumbers, 50@$1.00 per dozen; tomatoes, Mississippi, $1.65@1.75 crate; eggplant, 20c lb.; string beans, 10@12½c; rhubarb, 2@3c per lb.; peas, 3@4c per lb.; cauliflower, local (—) per dozen; asparagus, $1.00 @1.25 per dozen bunches.

Meats, Fish and Provisions

DRESSED MEATS—Selling price, country killed best hogs, 19@19½c per lb.; ordinary, 18c per lb.; best veals, 15@15½c per lb.; ordinary veals, 14@14½c per lb.; bevy, 11½@12c; goats, 4@6c lb.; lambs, 16@17c per lb.; mutton, 12@15c; beef, 9c per lb.

SMOKED MEATS—Hams, 25@28c per lb.; breakfast bacon, 29@29c; picnics, 22c; cottage roll,23c; short clears, 24@27c; Oregon exports, smoked, 25@27c per lb.

LARD—Kettle rendered tierces, 23c per lb.; standard, 22½c; lard compound, 18c.

OYSTERS—Olympia, per gallon, $3.80; canned, eastern, 55c per can, $6.50 per dozen; eastern in shell, $1.80 per 100; eastern oysters, per gallon, solid pack, $2.75.

FISH—Dressed flounders, 7c; Chinook salmon, 16c; perch, 10c; soles, 6c; flounders, 6c; salmon trout, 22c per lb.; halibut, 11@13c per lb.; black cod, 9c; herring, 6c; razor clams, 20c dozen; hard shell, 4c lb., $2.75 box.

CRABS—Large, $2.50; medium, $1.75; dozen.

Groceries

SUGAR—Cubes, $9.40; powdered, $9.15; fruit or berry, $8.80; Honolulu, $8.45; beet, $8.30; dry granulated, $8.50; D Yellow, $7.85.

HONEY—New, $3.00@3.25 per case.

RICE—Japan style, No. 1, 7½c; New Orleans head, 9c; blue rose, 8¼c.

SALT—Coarse, half ground, 100s, $12.40 per ton; 50s, $13.25; table dairy, 50s, $17.25; 100s, $16.75; bales, $2.40; fancy table and dairy, $23; lump rock, $20 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 17c; large white 16½c; pink, 14c; limas, 17½c; bayous, 13¼c; red, 14c.

Hops, Wool and Hides

HOPS—Nominal; buying price, 1916 crop, ordinary, 5@6c; selected, 6c; contracts, 10c.

WOOL—Willamette valley coarse Cotswold, 65@68c lb.; medium Shropshire, 70@72c; fine, 64@67c; Eastern Oregon, 52@61c.

HIDES—Salted hides, 25 lbs. and up, 20c; salted stags, 90 lbs. and up, 16c; green and salted kip, 15 lbs., 22c; green and salted calf skins up to 15 lbs., 32c; green hides, 25 lbs. and up, 18c; green stags, 50 lbs. and up, 13½c; dry hides, 35c; salt hides, 28c; dry horse hides, $1.00@2.50; salt horse hides, $3.00@5.00; horse hair, 30c; dry long wool pelts, 32 @35c; dry short wool pelts, 25c; dry sheep shearings, each, 10@25c; salted sheep shearings, each, 25@50c; salted long wool pelts, each, $1.50@$4.00; salted short wool pelts, each, 50c@$1.00.

TALLOW—No. 1, 14c; No. 2, 12c; grease, 6@8c lb.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK — Buying price, per car lots, 6½@7c per lb.

MOHAIR—1917, 60@61c.

Rope, Paints, Oils

ROPE—Sisal, basis, 22c; white, 22½c per lb.; standard Manilla, 30c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls., $1.32 per gallon; kettle boiled, bbls., $1.34; raw, cases, $1.39; boiled, cases, $1.41 per gallon; lots of 250 gallons.

COAL OIL—Water white, in drums and iron barrels, 10c per gallon.

WHITE LEAD — Ton lots, 14c lb.; 500 lbs. 14½c.

TURPENTINE—Tanks, 62c; cases, 69c; 10 case lots, 1c less.

GASOLINE—Basis price, 20½c per gallon; distillate, 10½c per gallon.

Cheese Factory Nearly Ready

Harrisburg, Or., July 12. — Harrisburg's new cheese factory is expected to be ready for occupancy by August 1. The building is of concrete, the contractor being W. C. Hall of Eugene. The structure is owned by O. B. Long of this city but will be operated by K. C. Eldridge of the Independence creamery.

Rain Starts Buying

New York, July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Much lighter rains in Texas than had been looked for caused a buying movement at the opening of the cotton market today, and prices were 10 to 25 points net higher on the call. Liverpool sold the late months on a small scale. The buying was led by a prominent ring operator, with Wall street and New Orleans also purchasers.

After the call the market continued firm, and within a few minutes October and December had advanced about 4 points further, when selling was encountered and moderate reactions followed.

New York Sugar and Coffee

New York, July 12.—(U. P.)—Coffee—Spot No. 7 Rio, 9¾c; No. 4 Santos, 10c.

Sugar—Centrifugal, $6.40.

Lewiston Section Showered And Farmers All Rejoice

Lewiston farmers are rejoicing.

A shower fell there, which while light, was nevertheless invaluable.

Following from W. J. Jordan, general agent Northern Pacific railway, Lewiston, Idaho.

"A light shower fell in the Lewiston country yesterday afternoon and in portions of the bean growing district around Kendrick and Juliaetta. While there was not enough rainfall to do very much good, nevertheless it will be of great benefit to the growing crops. Conditions in Palouse country are very bad. Grain in some localities is drying up and unless we get a good soaking rain within the next week or ten days will not yield 15 bushels to the acre. This applies especially in the territory tributary to Troy, Moscow, Pullman, Busby, Chambers and Johnson. Conditions are a little better around Colton, Uniontown and Genesee.

A portion of the prairie district had a light shower last night. Not enough rain fell, however, to be of very much benefit except to cool the air off. This district can stand a week or ten days of continued warm weather without very serious results. However, rain is needed very bad at this time and every day from now on without rain is decreasing the yield just that much.

I was through the Walla, Tammany country yesterday. While rain is needed very bad the crops look better than I expected to find and unless we get hot wind they can stand another week of dry weather without any great damage. In the territory closer to Lewiston some of the grain has already been harvested."

Following from J. T. Hardy, traveling freight and passenger agent, Spokane, Portland & Seattle and Oregon Trunk railway, from Redmond, Or.:

"The crop conditions around central Oregon are not looking any too good just now owing to it being so dry and hot. There has not been any rain for 60 days and the moisture is all getting out of the ground. Some of the wheat and other grain fields are looking fair and others pretty bad at this time. Unless rain is forthcoming soon there will not be over a half crop this year. Haying is going on in some sections and reports are not very encouraging as to the amount per acre. Hay will be a premium around this section this year on account of the short crop.

Cattle Market Dull With Sheep Steady and Hogs the Same

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Thursday	250	60	14	350
Wednesday	129	64	3	1783
Tuesday	375	54	..	51
Monday	1100	1083	66	502
Saturday	448	280	19	511
Friday	5	78	7	....
Week ago	200	95	..	....
Year ago	690	146	2	808
Two years ago	2672	946	1	1712
Three years ago	....	....	..	....
Four years ago	267	....	..	13

Hogs and sheep were steady with a fair supply on hand. Cattle were extremely dull with little on hand. Few sales were reported.

General cattle market range:

Best beef steers	$ 8.50@ 9.00
Good beef steers	8.00@ 8.50
Best beef cows	7.00@ 7.50
Ordinary good cows	6.50@ 7.00
Best heifers	8.00@ 9.00
Bulls	6.00@ 7.00
Calves	7.00@ 9.50
Stockers and feeders	6.00@ 7.80

General hog range:

Prime light	$15.75@16.00
Prime heavy	15.50@15.60
Pigs	12.50@15.60

General mutton and lamb market:

Valley spring lambs	$12.50@12.75
Eastern Oregon spring lambs	12.50@12.75
Shorn yearlings	9.50@ 9.75
Old wethers	9.00@ 9.50
Shorn ewes	6.00@ 8.00

Thursday's Livestock Shippers

Cosgrove Brothers, Woodburn, hogs and sheep, 1 car; W. Givens, Estacada, cattle, calves and hogs, 1 car; Joe Mellist, Clatskanie, 28 cattle and 10 calves by boat; E. F. Cook, Tillamook, hogs, 1 car; E. E. Burdick, Salem, sheep, 1 car.

Thursday Morning Sales

STEERS.

No.		Ave. lbs.	Price
6	steers	1090	$ 5.50
3	steers	570	5.25
9	steers	817	6.00
21	steers	911	7.00
	HEIFERS		
5	heifers	606	$ 5.50
	HOGS		
3	hogs	170	$15.90
1	hog	130	14.00
3	hogs	170	15.00
1	hog	410	14.50
1	hog	440	14.60
3	hogs	266	15.80
20	hogs	205	15.90
	LAMBS		
2	lambs	80	$12.50

Wednesday Afternoon Sales

STEERS.

No.		Ave. lbs.	Price.
6	steers	838	$6.00
3	steers	908	6.00
	CALVES.		
1	calf	150	$8.00
1	calf	150	8.00
4	calves	912	4.00
	COWS.		
1	cow	1270	$5.00
1	cow	1090	6.00
8	cows	940	4.90
1	cow	650	3.50
1	cow	790	4.00
6	cows	948	5.75
2	cows	1085	4.50
1	cows	745	4.50
5	cows	1002	6.00
1	cow	1150	5.50
	HEIFERS.		
4	heifers	600	$4.50
1	heifer	880	5.75
	HOGS.		
11	hogs	391	$14.80
9	hogs	262	15.60
9	hogs	250	15.80
3	hogs	175	15.80
8	hogs	236	15.80
8	hogs	236	15.80
8	hogs	215	15.80
8	hogs	200	15.80
6	hogs	228	15.80
5	hogs	200	15.80
11	hogs	222	15.80
1	hog	380	15.80
1	hog	380	14.80
3	hogs	417	14.80
2	hogs	415	14.80
1	hog	280	14.80
1	hog	280	14.80
8	hogs	245	15.80
10	hogs	165	15.80
7	hogs	198	15.80
7	hogs	188	15.80
8	hogs	200	15.80
6	hogs	203	15.80
	LAMBS.		
50	lambs	68	$12.50
	YEARLINGS.		
1	yearling	106	$9.50
	EWES.		
1	ewe	90	$8.00

AMERICAN LIVESTOCK PRICES

Chicago Hogs Higher

Chicago, July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts 16,000, strong to 5c higher. Mixed and butchers, $14.35@15.75; good heavy, $14.25@15.80; rough heavy, $14.25@14.50; light, $14.10@15.45; pigs, $10.85@14.00; bulk, $14.60 @15.65.

Cattle—Receipts 4000, steady. Beeves, $8.40 @14.00; cows and heifers, $5.50@10.90; stockers and feeders, $6.30@9.50; Texans, $10.25@ 13.50; calves, $12.75@15.00.

Sheep—Receipts 10,000, steady to 25c lower. Native and western, $7.80@11.00; lambs, $10.00 @15.50.

Omaha Cattle Strong

Omaha, Neb., July 12.—Cattle—Receipts 1500, strong. Beeves, $9.50@13.50; cows and heifers, $5.00@10.50; stockers and feeders, $6.75@9.50; calves, $10.00@13.50.

Hogs—Receipts 11,300, 5c higher. Mixed, $14.65@14.85; good to choice heavy, $14.85@ 15.20; rough heavy, $14.50@14.80; pigs, $12.00 @14.25; bulk, $14.70@15.10.

Sheep—Receipts 1600, weak. Wethers, $9.00 @10.00; yearlings, $10.00@11.50; lambs, $14.75@15.50; ewes, $8.00@8.75.

Denver Cattle Strong

Denver, July 12.—(U. P.)—Cattle—Receipts 400, strong. Steers, $8.50@12.00; cows and heifers, $7.50@10.00; stockers and feeders, $6.00@8.75; calves, $11.00@13.00.

Hogs—Receipts 2000 10@15c higher. Top, $13.00; bulk, $14.85@15.20.

Sheep—Receipts 4100, steady. Ewes, $8.00@ 8.50; lambs, $14.50@15.75.

Kansas City Cattle Higher

Kansas City, Mo., July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Cattle—Receipts 6000, steady to 15c higher. Steers, $9.00@13.25; cows and heifers, $6.00@12.75; stockers and feeders, $6.00@10.50; calves, $6.00 @14.00.

Hogs—Receipts 4000, opened strong to 10c higher, closed with the advance lost. Top, $15.80; bulk, $14.85@15.70; heavies, $15.65@ 15.80; mediums, $15.55@15.75; light, $14.50@ 15.45.

Sheep—Receipts 1500, steady. Lambs, $15.35 @15.50; ewes, $8.00@9.00.

Seattle Hogs Steady

Seattle, July 12. (I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts 550, steady. Prime lights, $15.90@16.00; medium to choice, $15.65@15.75; smooth heavies, $15.15@15.75; rough heavies, $14.65@ 14.95; pigs, $14.65@14.85.

Cattle—Receipts 87, lower. Best steers, $9.00@9.50; medium to choice, $8.50@8.75; common to medium, $6.00@7.50; best cows, $7.50@8.00; common to medium cows, $5.00@ 6.50; bulls, $4.00@7.00; calves, $6.00@9.00.

Sheep—Receipts none, steady. Lambs, $12.00 @13.50; yearlings, $12.50@12.75; ewes, $10.00 $11.00; wethers, $12.00@12.50.

New York Cotton Market

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	2575	2588	2544	2553
March	2586	2604	2566	2570
May	2605	2606	2605	2580
July	2649	2640	2632	2633
August	....	....	....	2600
October	2605	2576	2525	2538
November	....	....	....	2540
December	2570	2583	2535	2543

Local Exchange to Decide Reopening Monday, July 30

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Wheat.	Barley.	Corn. Flr.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Thurs.	3	....	3	1	1
Year ago	4	....	4	5	....
Season to date	42	7	18	25	84
Year ago	65	7	68	69	19
Tacoma, Wed.	3	....	....	1	....
Year ago	9	....	....	2	2
Season to date	89	....	....	8	21
Year ago	77	....	....	7	10
Seattle, Wed.	1	....	3	2	....
Year ago	2	....	12	1	....
Season to date	89	3	28	83	25
Year ago	188	1	83	27	47

The Merchants Exchange association, Portland's grain dealer's, voted today to hold a special meeting July 30 at which time it will be decided whether it is expedient or not to open the local exchange again. The Seattle exchangeresum ed Monday but local dealers feel that their body is unnecessary until the new crop wheat begins to move.

Galveston as an export port was the subject of talks given before the exchange by H. W. Wickstom and J. W. Jockusch, members of the Galveston Cotton Exchange, who visited with the local association. Prices for handling and storing were quoted.

WHEAT—Bluestem, $2.18@2.20; club, $2.12 @2.18; fortyfold, $2.18; red Russian, $2.14 per bushel, tidewater track delivery.

OATS—No. 1 feed, $46.00 per ton, tidewater track delivery.

FLOUR—Selling price: Patent, $11.40; Willamette valley, $10.50; local delivery, $10.60@ 11.00; bakery local, $10.80@11.00; Montana spring, $12.20@12.40; exports, $8.70; whole wheat, $11.00; graham, $11.40; rye flour, $11.75 per barrel.

BARLEY—No. 1 feed, $44.50 per ton.

HAY—Buying price, new crop, Willamette timothy, fancy, $20.00@22.00; Eastern Oregon timothy fancy timothy, $28.00; alfalfa, $16.00; valley vetch, $16.00; cheat, $18.00; clover, $12.00.

GRAIN SACKS—Nominal, No. 1 Calcutts, 13¼@13¾c in car lots; less amounts higher.

MILLSTUFFS—Selling price: Bran, $35.00@ 36.00; shorts, $38.00@39.00; middlings, $47.00 per ton.

ROLLED OATS—Per ton, $54.00.

ROLLED—Barley—Per ton, $51.00@52.00.

CORN—Whole, $72.00; cracked, $73.00 per ton.

POTATOES ALONG THE COAST

Seattle Market

Seattle, July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Onions—Green, per dozen, 20c; wax, $1.50; California red, 2c; crystal white, crate, $1.50.

Potatoes — Yakima Gems, $90.00; seed. $80.00; locals, $75.00@80.00.

Los Angeles Market

Los Angeles, July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Potatoes—New, $2.00@2.15 cwt; sweet potatoes, 6@8c pound.

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, July 12.—Potatoes — New Delta, $1.75@2.10, in boxes and sacks, with a few at $2.25.

Onions—New red, 40c per sack on the wharf; do yellow, 50c per sack; do Clarksburg, 60@ 65c per cental.

BANK STATEMENT OF COAST

Portland Banks

Clearings	$ 8,115,417.67
Balances	105,818.80

Spokane Banks

Clearings	$ 1,472,780.00
Balances	79,803.00

Tacoma Banks

Clearings	$ 610,269.00
Balances	68,711.00

San Francisco Banks

Clearings	$17,290,686.00

Los Angeles Banks

Clearings	$ 5,632,647.00

Seattle Banks

Clearings	$ 4,962,582.00
Balances	801,721.00

DAIRY PRODUCE ON THE COAST

Seattle Market

Seattle, July 12.—Butter—Native Washington creamery, cube, 38c; do brick, 39c; fresh California, cube, 38c; do brick, 38c.

Eggs—Select ranch, 38c.

Cheese—Oregon triplets, 25c; Washington triplets, 23@24c; Young America, 28c.

Los Angeles, July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Per pound, 38c.

Eggs—Per dozen, 36c.

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, July 12.—(U. P.)—Butter—Extras, 38½c; prime firsts, 37½c.

Eggs—Extras, 34½c; extra firsts, 34c; extra pullets, 32c; extra firsts, pullets, 31c.

Cheese—California fancy, 20c; firsts, 19c.

New York Bond Market

Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co., 216-217 Board of Trade building:

	Bid.	Ask.
Atchison Genl. 4s	88	88½
Baltimore & Ohio Gold 4s	85	85½
Bethlehem Steel Ref. 5s	98¼	99
Central Pacific 1st 4s	82¾	82¾
C. B. & Q. Col. 4s	96	96¼
St. Paul Genl. 4½s	....	94½
Chicago N. W. Genl. 4s	....	86
L. & N. Unl. 4s	91¼	91½
New York Cent. 6s	22½	22½
Northern Pacific P. L. 4s	87	87½
Reading Genl. 4s	....	91
Union Pacific 1st 4s	90	91½
U. S. Steel 5s	104	104½
Union Pacific 1st Ref. 5s	84	85
Southern Pacific Conv. 5s	98¼	98¾
Southern Pacific Conv. 4s	81¾	82
Penn. Conv. 4½s	101	102
Penn. 1st 4½s	94½	94¾
Chesapeake & Ohio Conv. 5s	87½	88

Liverpool Wheat Dull

Broomhall cabled: Liverpool wheat dull and easier, export offers increasing. Corn firm, supplies decreasing, scarcity first hand offers, consumption lighter, arrivals moderate. Oats easy, arrivals liberal.

Argentine spot prices lower.

Canada, good crop prospects.

France, weather favorable, crops improving.

Argentine weather fine, crop advices favorable.

India weather favorable, movement liberal.

Australia weather favorable.

Chicago Butter

Chicago, July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Receipts, 14,241 tubs. Creamery, extra, 38c; extra firsts, 37½c; firsts, 35½@37c; packing stock, 32@32½c.

Eggs—Receipts, 14,169 cases. Current receipts, 29@32c; ordinary firsts, 30@31c; firsts, 32@33c; extra, 36½c; checks, 25@28c; dirties, 28@28½c.

New York Metal

New York, July 12.—Metal prices: Copper—Quiet. August, 29½c; September, 29c; last quarter, 28c.

Tin—Steady. Spot, 22¼c.

Lead—Easier. Spot, 11¼c; July, 11c; August, 10¾c.

Spelter—Dull. July, August and September, 8¾@8¼c.

San Francisco Grain Market

San Francisco, July 12.—Wheat—Per cental—New Sonora, $3.35@3.50 f. o. b. interior shipping point; northern club and Red Russian, nominal; do bluestem, $4.30@4.40.

Barley—Per cental—New feed, $2.05@2.10.

Oats—Per cental—New red, $2.20@2.30.

Bar Silver Higher

London, July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Bar silver is up ¼d at 40¾d.

New York, July 12.—Commercial bar silver is up ⅛c at 80¼c.

Corn Prices Drop as Exchanges Close And Rain Reported

Chicago, July 12.—(U. P.)—The action of the Chicago board of trade in restricting trade in December and 1918 corn futures, together with rains in Utah and Kansas, sent corn down today from 1-4 to 5½c below yesterday's close.

September corn was ¼c down at $1.59½, holding at that figure. December opened 2½c lower at $1.19, and subsequently dropped 2¾c.

July wheat opened 2c lower at $2.05, and held firm. September opened ½c up at $1.92. Later trading ceased in this future.

Oats were slightly lower, in sympathy with corn. July opened ⅝c lower at 68¼c, and late was up ⅛c higher. September opened 1½c lower at 56c, and later was 2¾c higher. December opened ⅝c down at 57⅜c, and was 1⅝c lower later.

Provisions were slightly higher, on a strong and higher hog market.

Range of Chicago prices as furnished by the United Press:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT				
July	205	206	203	204
September	192	193	192	192¼
CORN				
September	159½	160½	158⅝	159⅝
December	119	119	116¼	116¼
OATS				
July	68⅝	69⅝	68¼	68⅝
September	55	56⅝	55	55⅝
December	57⅝	58⅝	57⅜	57⅝
PORK				
July	4060	4100	4060	4100
September	4015	4040	4010	4020
LARD				
July	2095	2100	2095	2100
September	2125	2132	2120	2120
RIBS				
July	Nominal	....	....	2157
September	2175	2182	2170	2172

Foreign Bond Market

Range of New York bond prices as furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co., 216-217 Board of Trade building:

	Bid.	Ask.
A. F. 5s Oct. 1920	93½	93¾
U. K. 5s Sept. 1918	98	98¼
U. K. 5½s Feb. 1918	99¾	99¾
U. K. 5½s Nov 1919	97	97⅛
U. K. 5½s Feb. 1919	99⅜	100
U. K. 5s Nov. 1919	93¾	94
A.F. Sec. 5s Aug. 1919	96⅝	97
Rep. France 5s 1931	145	150
Paris 6s Oct. 1921	94⅝	94⅝
Marseilles 6s Nov. 1919	96	96¼
Russ Extn. 5½s 1921	78	80
Russian Intl. 5½s 1926	233	235
Dom. 5s. Aug. 1917	99¾	100¼
Dom. 5s April 1921	98	98⅝
Dom. 5s April 1926	95¼	96
Dom. 5s April 1926	95⅞	96
Argentine 6s May 1920	98	99
China 6s 1919	94	96
Dom. Canada 5s	94½	95
French 5½s	99	99¾

Seattle Grain Prices

Seattle, July 12.—(I. N. S.)—Wheat—Bluestem, $2.10; Turkey red, $2.08; fortyfold, $2.08; club, $2.07; red Fife, $2.08; red Russian, $2.06.

Barley—Per ton, $41.00.

Receipts—Wheat, 1 car.

New York Money

New York, July 12.—(U. P.)—Money on call, 4 per cent; last offer, New York, 80¼c; demand sterling, $4.75.80.

Chance to Help Soldier Boys Along

Oregon City, July 12.—Wanted—Books of fiction or technical, and dish towels for the Third Oregon regiment, and the people of Oregon City are invited to make contributions today. Committees of young women are at Babbon & Company' store, receiving the articles, and up to noon today the people have been quite generous.

S. H. Lawrence Divorced

Oregon City, July 12.—Judge Campbell has granted a decree of divorce to Samuel H. Lawrence from Mrs. Grace A. Lawrence, and awarded the custody and control of the minor child to the father.

Soldiers' Fund Increased

Oregon City, July 12.—The Home restaurant of this city donated the receipts from the dinner meal from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m., and at which time $51.25 was taken in. This did not account for regular boarders and those having meal tickets. The regular price of the dinner was 25 cents, but a number of patrons left 50 cents and $1. The restaurant, of which Miss Ella O'Leary is manager, was decorated for the occasion, and the waitresses each wore little flags. The sum will be added to that received from the concert and dance of last Saturday night, and has been turned over to the Third Oregon regiment to aid in the purchase of an ambulance or used for hospital purposes.

Coal Dealers Acquitted

New York, July 12.—(U. P.)—A verdict of not guilty was returned in Federal Judge Grubb's court this afternoon in the trial of smokeless coal dealers charged with violating the Sherman law. The defendants included 41 individuals and 69 corporations.

HOOD RIVER GROWERS OPEN OWN AGENCY IN CITY OF NEW YORK

Dwight L. Woodruff to Give Entire Time to Pushing Oregon Fruit at Metropolis; Growers Receive Last 1916 Crop Checks.

Hood River, Or., July 12.—The Apple Growers' association of Hood River, composed of 900 members, through its board of directors, has elected Dwight L. Woodruff to take charge of the affairs of the association this season in New York city, where he will have full charge of the eastern and export fruit business of the association, which has heretofore been handled by H. F. Davidson.

The New York apple sales and the export business consume practically one half of the tonnage of the association. Mr. Woodruff is at present sales manager of the Salem Fruit Union, and has been formerly connected with the Bitter Root, Mont., irrigation project, and has served as assistant manager of the Wenatchee, Wash., Fruit Growers' association.

The office to be opened by the association in New York under the supervision of Mr. Woodruff will handle Hood River fruit exclusively. Heretofore it has been the custom of the association's agent in New York to handle fruit for export from other northwest apple sections. The new appointee will serve the association on the basis of a flat salary. While it has been understood that a local man would land the plum, Mr. Woodruff was selected.

The association today placed in the hands of its 900 members checks for the balance due on their 1916 apple account, and which represent the final settlement. The association handled last year practically 85 per cent of the tonnage of the valley, amounting to practically 1,000,000 boxes of apples.

Returns to the growers indicate that the net amount per box paid to the growers with the association's charges deducted for the Yellow Newtowns and Spitzenbergs, which comprises the bulk of the tonnage, and for the three shipping grades, extra fancy, fancy and choice of all sizes, will be between 85c and 90c per box. The association's charges for handling has been approximately 22c per box. It is understood that cash buyers have been in the field already and have been offering around $2.00 per box for apples this season. It is estimated that Hood River valley will not produce much over 50 per cent of the tonnage grown last year.

Americans Journey To Permanent Base

Progress of U. S. Troops Triumphal Procession—Crowds Greet Men at Every Station—Flowers Presented.

American Headquarters in France, July 12.—The American troops traveled through France today from their temporary camp to their permanent base behind the front.

It was a triumphal procession. Crowds greeted the troop trains at every station with cheers.

Flags were everywhere and the men were everywhere presented with flowers and refreshments.

School children were assembled at stations along the railway line and sang the American and French national anthems as the troop trains passed. At stations where the trains stopped girls pelted the soldiers with beautiful roses, much to the delight of the Americans. Boxes of sweetmeats of every variety were pressed upon them.

Each of the troop trains carried 1000 men.

Pershing Visits War Plants

Paris, July 12.—(U. P.) — Accompanied by French Minister of Munitions Albert Thomas, Major General Pershing early today visited the largest munitions plant in Paris.

This afternoon Major General Sibert, second in command of the American expeditionary forces, will arrive for a conference with his chief.

British Plan Is Adopted

Paris, July 12.—(U. P.)—American army headquarters Wednesday announced adoption of the British front medical service plan to care for Pershing's soldiers when they go into battle. The scheme combines relief "pockets" or small stations near the immediate rear of the front trenches and field hospitals just to the rear. Quick ambulance service will permit of immediate operations where required.

The American medical service, it was announced, will use Dr. George W. Crile's anaesthetic in place of ether or chloroform.

Major General Pershing's headquarters said the American trench helmets, steel "caps" to shield the Sammies from shrapnel and bits of shell, had been found to combine the best points of the French and British helmet. The American helmets, it was stated, are being tested.

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Walla Walla Faces Good Crop but Lack Of Real Farm Hands

By Hyman H. Cohen

Walla Walla, Wash., July 12.—There is nothing seriously wrong with the grain crops of the Walla Walla section; in fact, the crop outlook at this time in the valley, the foothills and along Eureka flat is just about normal.

There is no doubt that the crop of wheat, oats and barley of the county will not be as heavy as was generally expected by producers, grain dealers and railroad interests a month ago, but that is a condition that might be expected. In fact, it is a normal one.

Walla Walla county, barring further accidents to the crop, will produce about as much grain as last year, despite utterance of interested parties to the contrary. First of all there is an increased area to harvest. Then the condition of the crop is really only fractionally below that of a year ago—that is the probable production per acre will be slightly below 1916. This may seem rather queer to those that have heard all recent reports that the crop was going to the bow-wows, but this is not really the case.

There is, to be sure, a great need of additional and heavy precipitation—but that would only add to the present crop prospects. A good rainfall would mean that much of the spring wheat would fill better than if no additional showers were available.

Fact of the matter is that Walla Walla county is this year showing its most wonderful crop. This should not be taken to mean in number of bushels produced per acre, but to the total production. For about 17 years there has never before been such a season. At least for that time the present June broke all records for smallness of rainfall.

Up in the foothills the outlook for wheat is normal. It is not a really big or small crop; it is an average indication per acre. In the Eureka flat country—that section which has created millionaires out of poor men, so to speak in a financial way, there is some damage indicated to the crop, but I have never to date heard of a season when this was not also true. The fact of the matter is that Eureka flat has a big acreage of wheat planted this season, and while the greatest per cent of it is spring sowing, still the crop prospects are really average ones. Fall wheat on the flat really looks good. Little of it appears to be