SUPPLY OF MEAT FOODS IS SUFFICIENT FOR THE NEEDS OF THE U. S.

ABUNDANT FOOD IN COUNTRY; NO DANGER OF A MEAT SHORTAGE

Reports of United States Bureau of Markets and Department of Agriculture Show an Abundant Supply in Storage.

The problem of supplying the country with foodstuffs during the coming year is engaging the attention of every consumer. A study of the food situation as shown in the reports sent out by the various departments of the government will have a tendency to relieve the anxiety of those who see a starvation winter coming on. The food supplies of the country are more abundant than ever before, and there appears to be no grounds for pessimism.

The United States Bureau of Markets has issued a statement showing the receipts at stockyards throughout the country for the month of August, 1917, and comparing with the receipts for the same month in 1916. The receipts credited to Portland are:

	1917.	1916.
Cattle	9,467	5,705
Hogs	11,479	17,908
Sheep	12,592	19,974

A report covering the first seven months of 1917 compares with the first seven months of 1916 as follows:

	1917.	1916.
Cattle	53,190	42,732
Hogs	126,911	138,707
Sheep	70,426	93,048

The falling off in offerings of hogs and sheep and increase in receipts of cattle maintains generally throughout the country as the totals from 40 markets show:

	Aug. 1917.	Aug. 1916.
Cattle	1,709,475	1,527,069
Hogs	1,719,434	2,562,537
Sheep	1,453,539	1,984,815

—First 7 months.—

	1917.	1916.
Cattle	10,788,381	8,191,618
Hogs	22,606,092	24,408,981
Sheep	7,991,259	8,855,583

The Yearbook of the United States Department of Agriculture gives the total number of livestock on farms in the United States on January 1, 1917, as compared with January 1, 1916:

	1917.	1916.
Cattle	68,617,000	61,266,000
Swine	67,456,000	67,766,000
Sheep	48,483,000	48,025,000

The same authority gives the number of cattle, hogs and sheep exports in 1916:

Cattle	21,662
Hogs	224,084
Sheep	32,278

Reports from the United States Bureau of Markets show the amount of beef, pork, mutton and poultry in storage on September 1, 1917, compared with September 1, 1916:

	No. of lbs. in storage, Sept. 20.	1917.	1916.
Frozen beef	177	101,065,106	58,300,067
Cured beef	216	29,790,927	18,449,904
Frozen lambs and mutton	94	2,318,061	2,185,288
Frozen pork	164	68,605,722	62,490,209
Dry salt pork	269	191,017,413	183,193,604
Frozen poultry	133	29,160,109	8,881,930

The total amount held in storage is more than 12 per cent greater than here shown, many storages not being included in this report.

FINE CREAM BAKING SQUASH

A fine shipment of cream baking squash from Underwood, Wash., was received by Dryer, Bollam & Co. today. They are extra fancy, and go fast at 60@65c per box.

ONIONS TAKE A BIG JUMP

Owing to car shortage, it is said, the receipts of onions have fallen off, and the price has advanced to $2.25@2.50. The Oregon crop is not yet matured.

FANCY SWEET POTATOES

Several shipments of extra good sweet potatoes have been coming in. The price still ranges around $4.75@5.00 per cental. Most of these come from California.

BEANS GOING UP IN PRICE

All varieties of beans advanced in price sharply today. The market will be better when the local crop comes in. Small whites, 14½c; large white, 14½c; pink, 10¾c; bayou, 10½c; red, 10½c; limas, 12½c.

SHIPPERS' WEATHER NOTICE

Protect shipments during the next 36 hours against the following maximum temperatures: Going north, 70 degrees; northeast over S. P. & S. R. R., 85 degrees; east to Baker, 95 degrees, and south to Ashland, 90 degrees. Maximum temperature at Portland tomorrow, about 75 degrees.

JOBBING PRICES OF PORTLAND

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

Dairy Products

BUTTER — Creamery, prints in paraffine wrappers, extras, 47c; prime firsts, 44½@45c; firsts, 43½c; cubes, 1c less; cartons, 1c advance.

BUTTERFAT — Portland delivery, No. 1 cream, 48c.

CHEESE—Selling price: Fresh Oregon fancy full cream triplets, 26c; Young Americas, 27c. Price to jobbers, flats, 26c; Young Americas, 28c. f. o. b. cream brick, 28@29c; limburger, 31@32c; block Swiss, 34@35c.

EGGS—Selling price: Case count, 42c per dozen; buying price, 40c per dozen; selling prices, candled, 45c; extras, 46c.

LIVE POULTRY — Hens, heavy Plymouth Rocks, 18@19c lb.; ordinary chickens, 17c per lb.; stags, 12½c per lb.; broilers, 19c per lb.; turkeys, 19@22c per lb.; dressed, fancy, 27@30c per lb.; culls, 20@21c; squabs, $2.00 per dozen; geese, live, 10c; Pekin ducks, live, 18@20c lb. Indian Runners, old ducks, 14@20c per lb.; pigeons, $1.25 per dozen.

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, $3.50@3.75 box; bananas, 5c per lb.; lemons, $6.50@8.00; California grapefruit, $3.00@3.50; Florida, $6.50@7.00; cantaloupes, standard, $1.00@2.50; flat, 75c@1.00 crate; watermelons, $1.00@1.25 per cental; peaches, Oregon, 40@45c per box; plums, 50@60c crate; casabas, 4@5c per lb.; pears, 75c@$1.75 per box; fresh figs, $1.00@1.25 per box.

BERRIES—Blackberries, $1.00@1.25; gooseberries, 4@6c per lb.; huckleberries, 10@12½c per lb.

APPLES — Local, 50c@$2.50, according quality.

ONIONS — Walla Walla, $2.00@2.25; California, $2.50.

POTATOES — Selling price, table stock, local, $2.00@2.50. Buying price, ordinary shipping, $1.75; sweet potatoes, $3.75@4.25.

VEGETABLES — Turnips, (—) per sack; carrots, $2.25@2.50 sack; beets, $1.75@2.00 sack; parsnips, $1.85 sack; cabbage, local, 3½@2½c lb.; green onions, 20c doz. bunches; peppers, 10c lb.; head lettuce, 30c per dozen; celery, 60@75c dozen; artichokes, 50c@$1.00; cucumbers, 25@65c dozen; tomatoes, Oregon, 70@75c box; egg plant, 8c per lb.; string beans, 2@3c per lb.; rhubarb, 2c lb.; peas, 7c per lb.; cauliflower, California, $1.25 crate.

Meats, Fish and Provisions

DRESSED MEATS — Selling price, country killed best hogs, 21@21½c lb.; ordinary, 19@20c per lb.; best veal, 16c per lb.; ordinary veals, 15@15c per lb.; heavy, 10@12c per lb.; goat, 4@6c per lb.; lambs, 15@17c per lb.; mutton, 12@15c per lb.; beef, 9c per lb.

SMOKED MEATS — Hams, 27½@30c per lb.; breakfast bacon, 38@41c; picnics, 22½@24c; cottage roll, 27c; short clears, 27@30c; Oregon exports, smoked, 30c per lb.

LARD — Kettle rendered, tierces, 26c per lb.; standard, 25½c; lard compound, 19½c.

OYSTERS — Olympia, gallon, $3.50; canned, eastern, 55c per can, $6.50 per dozen; eastern, in shell, $1.50 per 100; eastern oysters, per gallon, solid pack, $2.75.

FISH — Dressed flounders, 6c; Chinook salmon, 16c; "rollies," 12½c; perch, 7@8c; soles, 7c, salmon trout, 18c lb.; halibut, 16@18c lb.; black cod, 8c; herring, 6c; razor clams, (—) dozen; hard shell, 4c lb.; $2.75 per box; crabs, $1.75@2.50 per dozen.

Groceries

SUGAR — Cubs, $10.05; powdered, $9.80; fruit or berry, $9.15; Honolulu, $9.05; beet, $8.80; dry granulated, $9.15; D yellow, $8.50. Sugar market demoralized, with no set quotations on granulated.

HONEY — New, $3.00@3.25 per case.

RICE — Japan style, No. 1, 7¼c; New Orleans head, 9c; blue rose, 8¼c.

SALT — Coarse, half ground, 100s, $14.00 per ton; 50s, $14.80; table dairy, 50s, $18.00; 100s, $17.50; bales, $2.35; fancy table and dairy, $24.00; lump rock, $20.00 per ton.

BEANS — Nominal. Small white, 15½c; large white, 15c; pink, 11¾c; limas, 15½c; bayous, 11¾c; red, 12c.

Hops, Wool and Hides

HOPS — Nominal. Buying price, 1916 crop, 20@21c per lb.; contracts, 35@36c.

WOOL — Willamette valley, coarse Cotswold, 55c per lb.; medium Shropshire, 60c per lb.; Eastern Oregon, 50@55c per lb.

HIDES — Salted hides, 25 lbs. and up, 16c; green hides, 25 lbs. and up, 13c; salted stags, 50 lbs. and up, 14c; green bulls, 50 lbs. and up, 11c; salted and green kip, 15 to 25 lbs., 16c; salted and green calf, up to 50 lbs., 22c; dry flint hides, over 7 lbs., 28c; dry flint calf, under 7 lbs., 30c; dry salt hides, 23c; dry horse hides, each, $1.50@2.50; salted horse hides, each, $3.00@4.00; horsehair, tail, 30c; horsehair, mane, 15c; dry long wool pelts, 40@41c; dry short wool pelts, 25@30c; salted sheep pelts, long wool, each, $4.00@5.00; salted lamb pelts, each, $1.50@2.00; salted short wool pelts, each, 75c@$1.25; dry sheep shearlings, each, 15@30c; salted sheep shearlings, each, 25@30c; coarse valley wool, 58@60c; medium valley wool, 60@62c; dry goats, long hair shearlings, each, 15@20c; dry short hair goats, each, 50c@$1.00.

TALLOW — No. 1, 12c; No. 2, 11c; grease, 7@8c per lb.

CHITTIM OR CASCARA BARK — Buying price, per car lots, 7¼c per lb.

MOHAIR — 1917, 55c per lb.

Rope, Paints, Oils

ROPE — Steel, sash, 22c; white, 22½c per lb.; standard Manila, 20c.

LINSEED OIL — Raw, bbls., $1.35 per gallon; kettle boiled, bbls., $1.37; raw, cases, $1.45; boiled, cases, $1.47 per gallon; lots of 250 gallons less.

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

WHITE LEAD — Ton lots, 14c per lb.; 500 lbs., 14¼c per lb.

TURPENTINE — Tanks, 62c; cases, 72c; 10 case lots, 1c less.

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Grain Market Holds Strong in Portland And the Northwest

Merchants exchange September bids:

Feed—	This— 1917	1916	Wed.	Tue.	Mon.	Sat.	Fri.	Week ago
			OATS					
	5000	2700	5000	4900	4850	4950	5000	4820
			BARLEY					
Feed—	5200		4850	4800	4700	4800	4900	4800
Brewing—	5220		5125	5000	4800	4900	4900	4700
			MILLSTUFFS					
Bran—	3500	1900	3500	3500	3500	3300	3375	3350
Shorts—	3700	2100	3600	3600	3600	3500	3600	3500

NORTHWEST GRAIN RECEIPTS

	Cars Wheat.	Barley.	Flr.	Oats.	Hay.
Portland, Thurs.	7	1	2	10	10
Year ago	66	3	3	24	7
Season to date	406	52	102	270	328
Year ago	1266	37	487	476	404
Tacoma, Wed.	3	1		3	5
Year ago	25	1		3	2
Season to date	415	20		53	503
Year ago	1580	27		65	700
Seattle, Wed.	4		7	8	4
Year ago	15	2	4	2	4
Season to date	385	45	342	150	1327
Year ago	1461	72	469	393	956

Kansas City—Cash corn—Mixed No. 2, $1.96@1.97; No. 2 yellow, $1.97@1.98; No. 2 white, $2.07.

Oats—No. 2 white, 61¾@62c; No. 2 mixed, 61c per bushel.

AMERICAN LIVESTOCK PRICES

Chicago Hogs $18.80

Chicago, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts 9000. Slow to 10@10c higher. Mixed and butchers, $17.20@18.80; good heavy, $17.15@18.80; rough heavy, $17.15@17.35; light, $17.20@18.65; pigs, $13.50@17.50; bulk, $17.70@18.70.

Cattle—Receipts 8500. Steady to 10/low-er. Beeves, $7.50@17.90; cows and heifers, $3.15@12.90; stockers and feeders, $6.40@11.15; Texans, $6.70@15.75; calves $12.50@16.00.

Sheep—Receipts, 1800. Market slow to 10c lower. Native and western, $9.40@12.60; lambs, $13.00@18.35.

Omaha Hogs $18.50

Omaha, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Cattle—Receipts, 2000. Market steady and easier. Cows and heifers, $5.25@9.50; stockers and feeders, $5.75@14.00; western $10.50@14.00; poor and medium, $7.50@10.25; calves, $8.00@12.75; beeves, $6.00@16.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 3700. Market 10c higher. Mixed, $17.60@18.50; good choice, $17.75@18.50; rough heavy, $17.35@17.70; light, $17.50@18.50; pigs, $14.00@17.00; bulk, $17.90@18.90.

Sheep—Receipts, 22,000. Market weak and lower. Wethers, $11.50@12.75; yearlings, $12.50@13.80; feeders, $12.00@13.85; lambs, $12.75@18.40.

Chicago Hogs $18.80

Chicago, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Choice hogs were scarce, and on a 5c advance made $18.80, but $17.50@18.00 bought much of the crop, quality being good. Cattle trade was irregular, commission house buyers setting the pace. Supply in the sheep house was better, but feeders and breeders were the sustaining factor.

Kansas City Hogs

Kansas City, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Cattle—Receipts, 11,000. Market steady to unsettled. Steers, $10.00@17.00; cows and heifers, $6.00@15.00; stockers and feeders, $6.00@11.50; calves, $6.00@12.75.

Hogs—Receipts, 4000. Market active and 10@15c higher. Top, $18.95; bulk, $18.00@18.80; heavy, $18.75@18.95; mediums, $18.75@18.90; lights, $18.00@18.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000. Market steady to 10c lower. Lambs, $18.00@18.60; ewes, $11.00@12.50; feeding lambs, $18.00@18.50.

Denver Hogs $18.90

Denver, Colo., Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Cattle—Receipts 900, steady. Steers, $9.50@12.00; cows and heifers, $6.25@8.40; stockers and feeders, $6.25@10.35; calves, $9.00@11.00.

Hogs—Receipts 600, 10 to 15c higher. Top, $18.90; bulk, $18.45@18.75.

Sheep—Receipts 30,000, sheep lower, lambs higher. Ewes, $10.75@11.25; lambs, $17.25@17.60.

SELECT SEED POTATOES NOW

Seed potatoes should be selected before frost from hills that are yielding the largest number of tubers.

The yield next year will be much greater if the potatoes to be used for seed are carefully chosen this fall.

One hundred and fifty sacks of potatoes grown on one acre are worth as much to the grower as 300 sacks grown on two acres. The cost of growing an acre of potatoes is the same except for picking, sacks and hauling to market.

The best seed potatoes, from the standpoint of type of tuber, number in the hill and uniformity in size, will usually be found on those medium sized plants or hills that consist of three or four clean, healthy separate stems, that are typical of the variety. It is safest to do the work of selecting now as soon as possible. If the tubers are not sufficiently mature to dig, mark the plants with a peg so that they can be found after frost has destroyed the vines.

Seattle Livestock Receipts

Seattle, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Hogs—Receipts 176, market strong. Prime light, $18.15@18.25; medium to choice, $18.00@18.10; smooth heavies, $17.50@18.00; rough heavies, $17.00@17.25; pigs, $17.00@17.25.

Cattle—Receipts 128, market strong. Best steers, $9.25@9.50; medium to choice, $8.00@8.50; common to medium, $6.00@7.50; best cows, $7.00@7.50; common to medium cows, $4.00@6.00; bulls, $4.00@6.50; calves, $6.00@10.00.

Sheep—Receipts none. Market strong. Lambs, $13.00@13.25; good $12.50@13.00; ewes, $6.50@9.00; wethers, $8.50@10.00.

San Francisco Grain Market

San Francisco, Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Wheat—Nominal.

Barley—Per Cental—No. 1 feed, $2.47½@2.20 f. o. b. shipping, $2.46@2.50 f. o. b. interior points.

Oats—Per Cental—New red feed, $2.05@2.70; do seed grade, $3.10@3.25.

Centralia Men Harvest Beans

Centralia, Wash., Sept. 20.—Fred S. Mills and N. E. Clawson of Grand Mound yesterday started harvesting 20 acres of beans. The men expect the yield to be about 800 pounds to the acre.

London Metal Market

London, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Bar silver is up ½d at 54d., a new high record.

MARKET FOR FRUIT SEES IMPROVEMENT; DEMAND IN ALL LINES

Peaches Still Coming In—Pears in Good Demand—Prunes Must Be Used Early; Crop Is Not Large This Year.

Several shipments of Elbertas and Crawfords were received on the local market today. Some are of excellent quality. The best bring 75@85c and others sell from 50@60c per box. There is a strong demand for all grades.

The United States bureau of markets reports peaches:

Pittsburg — Demand and movement slow, market firm.

St. Louis — Market strong, demand and movement, Colorados, quality and condition generally good, some hail pecked, bushel Elbertas, $2.75. Auction prices: Colorado box Elbertas, $1.10@1.20, average, $1.12.

Boston—Demand slow, market fair, movement slow.

Chicago—Eastern market slightly weaker. Colorado bushels, mostly $2.50. Auction prices: Colorados, 1134 boxes of Elbertas, $1.05@1.25, average, $1.12; 2394 boxes of Elbertas, 95c@$1.10, average, $1.07; 1260 boxes, $1.05@1.10, average, $1.10. Washingtons, 2233 boxes of Elbertas, $1.05@1.10, average, $1.08. Californias, 914 boxes of Lovell, 85@95c, average, 92c; 180 boxes of Phillips Clings, 95c@$1.10, average, $1.02; 245 boxes of Phillips Cling, 50@80c, average, 72½c; 411 boxes of Salway, $1.00@1.05, average, $1.04; 223 boxes of Orange Clings, $1.00@1.05, average, $1.04; 111 boxes of Yellows, 85@90c, average, 88c; 128 Lemon, average 90c.

Denver—Demand good, market steady, movement active. Colorado box Elbertas, quality and condition generally good, extra fancy, 85@90c; fancy, 75@80c; bushel Elbertas, some green, $1.75.

Kansas City—Demand and movement moderate, market steady. Colorado bushel Elbertas, mostly $2.00; boxes, mostly $1.05@1.10. California holdovers, Salway, mostly $1.10. Washington, holdovers, quality and condition generally good, box Elbertas, mostly $1.05@1.10.

Minneapolis — Demand good, market only fair. Colorados, bushels, various, some green, mostly $2.75; box, various, quality and condition good, $1.05@1.10. Washingtons, box, various, quality fair, condition generally good, 90c@$1.00.

New York—Demand and movement good.

Pears

Bartletts are in good demand and the local market is firm, prices running from $1.25@$2.00 for the best.

The United States bureau of markets reports pears:

New York—Auction prices: Californias, demand good for good stock, market stronger; demand poor for poor stock; 7600 boxes of Bartletts, $1.05@3.15, average, $2.01; Northwesterns, demand poor, and market weaker with quality and condition variable. Coloradoes, 500 boxes of Bartletts, $1.20@1.35. Washingtons, 11,000 boxes of Bartletts, 85c@$2.10, average, $1.33.

Pittsburg — Auction prices: California box Bartletts, $1.60@2.80, average, $2.20.

St. Louis — Auction prices: Washington box Bartletts, $1.85@2.25, average, $2.00.

St. Paul—Auction prices: Washington box Bartletts, poor, $1.30. California box Bartletts, $2.50.

Baltimore—Auction prices: Demand moderate, market steady, quality and condition fair. Californias, 200 boxes of Bartletts, $2.25@2.85, average, $2.60. Oregons, one car of box Bartletts, fancy, $1.60@2.40, average, $2.26; choice, $1.55@1.85, average, $1.67.

Boston—Auction prices: Californias, 4100 boxes of Bartletts, $1.80@3.00, average, $2.22. Oregons, 400 boxes of Clapp's, 55c@$1.75, average, 80c. Washingtons, 1000 boxes of Bartletts, $1.00@2.20, average, $1.79.

Chicago—Auction prices: Californias, 1774 boxes of Bartletts, 90c@$2.65, average, $2.03; 715 boxes of Bartletts; 90c@$2.45, average, $2.00. Oregons, 1356 boxes of Bartletts, $1.05@1.95, average, $1.51; 1232 boxes of Bartletts, 80c@1.75, average, $1.30. Washingtons, 2375 boxes of Bartletts, 25c@$1.55, average, $1.02; 2029 boxes of Bartletts, 90c@$1.50, average, $1.09; 152 boxes of Winnish Beauty, $1.60, average, $1.25; 108 boxes of Clapp's Favorite, 65c@$1.20, average, 90c. Idahos, 210 boxes of Dutchess, $1.30@1.35, average, $1.31.

Cincinnati—Auction prices: Washingtons, one car of box Bartletts, quality and condition good, $2.00@2.20, average, $2.15½; one car quality and condition good, $2.10@2.25, average, $2.20. Oregons, one car, quality fair, box Bartletts, green to hard, ripe, small size, $1.55@1.90, average, $1.68.

Cleveland — Northwesterns, 520 boxes of Bartletts, $1.95@2.45, average, $2.23. Californias, 1100 boxes of Bartletts, condition poor, $2.20@2.80, average, $2.65; 500 boxes of Bartletts, poor condition, 65c@2.30, average, $1.65.

Denver—Demand good, market steady. Colorados and New Mexicos, quality and condition generally good, some small, all sales in small lots, jobbing prices today, box Bartletts, $2.25@2.50; poorer, $1.75@2.00.

Detroit—Jobbing prices today: Washington box Bartletts, condition fair, $1.65@1.80.

Indianapolis—Washington box Bartletts, jobbing prices today, quality and condition good, $2.00@2.25.

Kansas City—Demand and movement moderate, market fair. Washingtons, quality generally good, condition variable, considerable over ripe, box Bartletts, best, mostly, $1.75@1.90; over ripe, mostly, 25c and lower.

Minneapolis—Washington box Bartletts, demand moderate, market only fair, $1.85@2.00. Auction prices: Washington box Bartletts, average, $1.58.

Omaha—Jobbing prices: Colorado, Utah and Washington box Bartletts, fancy, $2.00@2.15; choice, $1.75@1.90.

Philadelphia—Auction prices: Demand good and market steady. Oregons, 900 boxes of Bartletts, 80c@$1.65, average, $1.11. Californias, 600 boxes, $1.10@2.80½; average, $1.88. Washingtons, 500 boxes of Bartletts, quality generally good, many green, $1.90@2.00, average, $1.95.

Prunes

The prune market remains firm at 2@3½c per pound, some fancy ones bringing 4c. The crop is light and the quality only fair. Canneries are buying and the demand is strong.

The United States bureau of markets reports the prune market throughout the country as generally firm.

BANK STATEMENT OF COAST

Clearings—	Portland Banks This week.	Year ago.
Monday	$ 3,345,909.58	$ 2,746,294.55
Tuesday	2,890,724.11	2,718,649.19
Wednesday	2,764,625.43	2,433,135.29
Thursday	3,176,073.84	2,264,017.25
Clearings	San Francisco Banks	$14,246,267.40
Clearings	Los Angeles Banks	$ 3,870,526.00
Clearings	Tacoma Banks	$ 552,109.00
Balances		79,150.00
Clearings	Seattle Banks	$ 4,134,360.00
Balances		652,600.00
Clearings	Spokane Banks	1,156,603.00
Balances		222,018.00

Money and Exchange

New York, September 20.—Call money on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange today ruled at 3 per cent; high, 4 per cent; low, 3 per cent. Time money was steady. Rates were: Sixty days, 5¼@5¾ per cent; 90 days, 5¼@6 per cent; 4 months, 5¼@6 per cent; 5 months, 5½@6 per cent; 6 months, 5¾@6 per cent.

The market for prime mercantile paper was quiet.

Call money in London today was 3½ per cent.

Sterling exchange was steady with business in bankers' bills at $4.75½ for demand, $4.72 for 60 day bills, and $4.70 for 90 day bills.

Articles of Incorporation

Salem, Or., Sept. 20.—Articles of incorporation were filed Wednesday by two companies. One was the Portland Calking Machine company with $2000 capital stock. The incorporators are Omar C. Spencer, Charles E. McCulloch and John L. Storla. The other was the Veltum & Clow Manufacturing company of Eugene, with a capital stock of $25,000. The incorporators are Robert E. Veltum, Robert Clow and G. M. Clow.

Corn Buyers Busy At Opening Chicago Grain Mart Today

By Joseph F. Pritchard

Chicago, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—A big trade in corn continued throughout the day with commission houses active on both sides of the market. There was selling toward the last by houses that were the best buyers yesterday and a reaction was made from the top, and the close was unchanged to ⅛c higher, May leading.

Oats showed more strength than corn and closed ⅛@⅜c higher, latter on September, which finished at 1⅜c over December, after being 2c over at one time.

Provisions were strong with ribs leading, and closed about the top with pork 25c higher to 5c lower, Lard, 2½@10c higher, and short ribs, 1⅜c higher, September leading.

Chicago, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Buying of corn by commission houses and further short covering caused by unfavorable weather over the corn belt, today marked the opening of Chicago grain markets. Trade in corn was active and the market fluctuated.

In sympathy with an easier tone in corn, oats showed a reaction. Offerings were very light, forcing the price of September oats up to 60¼c.

There was little trading in provisions.

Opening prices: Corn—December, $1.19⅝ to $1.19¾; May, $1.13¼ to $1.16.

Oats—September, 59⅜c to 59½c; December, 58¾c to 58¼c; May, 61⅝c to 61¾c.

Lard—October, $22.90; January, $22.85.

Chicago, Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Alternate buying and selling waves resulted in an erratic corn market today, prices remaining practically the same as yesterday's closing.

Closing close:

Corn—May, $1.16⅛@1.15; December, $1.19⅛@1.19.

Oats—May, 61⅝c; December, 58½@58¾c; September, 60@60¼c.

Pork—January, $43.75; October, $43.15; September, $43.15.

Lard—October, $23.90; November, $23.90; January, $22.98.

Ribs—January, $22.57; October, $24.80; September, $24.85.

Range of Chicago prices furnished by United Press:

CORN

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	115¾	116	115¼	115¾
May	116⅛	117	115⅝	116⅛
	OATS			
September	59⅜	60¾	59⅜	60¼
December	58¾	59⅜	58¼	58½
May	61¾	61⅞	61¼	61⅝
	PORK			
September	4300	4340	4300	4315
October	4320	4340	4310	4315
January	4390	4402	4375	4375
	LARD			
September	2407	2410	2408	2405
October	2390	2395	2387	2390
January	2285	2297	2285	2287
	RIBS			
September	2460	2492	2460	2485
October	2452	2490	2450	2480
January	2250	2262	2250	2257

DAIRY PRODUCE ON THE COAST

Seattle Market

Seattle, Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Butter—Native Washington creamery, cube, 47c; do brick, 48c; storage California, cube, 44c; do brick, 45c.

Eggs—Select ranch, 49c.

Cheese—Domestic wheel, 29c; limburger, 29@30c; Oregon triplets, 24@25c; Washington triplets, 25c; Young America, 26@27c.

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Butter—Extra, 46c; prime firsts, 43½c.

Eggs—Select, 48c; selects, 47c; extra firsts, 47c; extra pullets, 44½c; extra firsts, pullets, 44c.

Cheese — California flats, fancy, 22½c; Firsts 21½c.

POTATOES ALONG THE COAST

Seattle Market

Seattle, Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Onions—Green, per dozen, 25c; California yellow, $4.25; $2.50. Potatoes—Locals, new, $50.00@60.00.

San Francisco Market

San Francisco, Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Onions—Brown or yellow, $1.40@1.60 for good stock. New potatoes—Delta, $1.90@2.15 per cental for choice; do fancy, $2.05@2.40; do Calinas, $2.60@3.00.

Sweet potatoes, 2¾@3¼c per pound on the street.

Foreign Bond Market

	Bid.	Ask.
A. F. 5s Oct. 1920	92	92½
U. K. 5s Sept. 1918	97⅝	97¾
U. K. 5½s Feb. 1918	99½	99⅝
U. K. 5½s Nov. 1919	94½	94⅝
U. K. 5½s Feb. 1929	98	98
U. K. 5½s Nov. 1921	93⅝	93⅝
A. F. Sec. 5s Aug. 1919	95	95¼
Rep. France 5s 1931	139	140
Paris 6s Oct. 1925	91½	91⅝
Marseilles 6s Nov. 1919	92	92½
Russian Extn. 5½s 1921	65	70
Russian Intl. 5½s 1920	17	173
Dom. 5s Aug. 1917	98⅜	98
Dom. 5s April 1921	94½	95
Dom. 5s April 1931	94⅜	95⅝
Dom. 5s April 1926	94½	95
Argentine 6s May 1920	97½	98
Chile 6s 1919	97	98
Dem. Canada 5s 1937	94⅜	95¼

Seed Corn to Sell at $10

The seed corn situation for 1918 is exceedingly serious, according to C. P. Ball, secretary of the Minnesota Crop Improvement association.

"There is no ripe corn," he said. "I have received reports from nearly all sections. It is possible for farmers to save seed corn for their own use if they act immediately.

"Seed corn next year will be worth $10 a bushel. The commercial seed men cannot be depended on, for not one of them is equipped to handle the soft corn and obtain reliable seed.

"The farmer who does not save his own seed will be face to face with high priced seed, and in all probability a scarcity of supply that will reduce the acreage to an alarming degree.

Idaho Harvest Is On

Lewiston, Idaho, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Reports from the Gifford district are to the effect that harvesting of the bean crop is in full swing. All available labor is being utilized, even the boys of the district receiving as high as $2.50 per day for "turning" beans. The entire Gifford district, according to the reports, will return a fine average yield of beans. From one farm comes the report the crop is showing 700 to 800 pounds an acre. The Gifford price is 8c to 10c.

Chicago Dairy Produce Market

Chicago, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Butter—Receipts, not given. Creamery, extras, 43c; extra firsts, 42½c; firsts, 41@41½c; packing stock, 45c.

Eggs—Receipts, not given. Current receipts, 34@35c; ordinary firsts, 35½@35¾c; firsts, 37¼@37½c; extras, 41½@42½c; checks, 21@31c; dirties, 28@34c.

New York Metal Market

New York, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Metal prices:

Spelter—Steady. Spot, 8½@8¾c; October and November, 8½@8¼c.

Tin—Quiet. Spot, offered at 51¾c.

Lead—Steady. Spot, 7¾c bid; October, 7½@8c.

Copper—Quiet. Spot, 28c; last quarter, 27c; first quarter next year, 26c.

New York Metal Market

New York, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Bar silver is up 1 at 106½c, a new high record.

Facts—Reaching
The GOAL!
Every section throughout the state construction and improvement of roads and highways is the order of the day. This form of development is recognized as the most important in progress and advancement, and it is also conceded a road is of the very best when hard-surfaced with
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NOMINAL RECEIPTS OF LIVESTOCK TODAY AT NO. PORTLAND YARDS

Market Remains Firm With No Change in Price—Demand Still Strong for Cattle and Hogs—Sheep Strong.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Thursday	190	134	14	350
Wednesday	500	100	8	....
Tuesday	107	138	....	1050
Monday	1088	2071	108	860
Saturday	158	5	....	50
Friday	648	55	15	302
Week ago	193	42	21	1315
Year ago	403	102	....	84
Two years ago	592	92	62	225
Three years ago	239	9	....	....
Four years ago	80	....	....	1601

Origin of Livestock

United States Bureau of Markets reports state origins of livestock loaded September 19, 1917:

	Cattle and Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Mixed Stock	Tot
For Portland—					
Oregon	3	3	4	2	12
Totals Portland	3	3	4	2	12
One week ago	3	3	6	1	13
Four weeks ago	3	1	..	3	7
For Seattle—					
Montana	..	1	..	..	1
Oregon	2	..	..	..	2
Washington	..	..	2	..	2
Totals Seattle	2	1	2	..	5
One week ago	2	2	6	..	10
Four weeks ago	3	..	..	..	3

What Handlers Say:

Bodine & Clark Commission company:

With about 60 cars of cattle on the market Monday and normal supplies for the remainder of the week, all lines have moved quickly at prices steady with last week. Smith Brothers, from Newberg, topped the market Monday with three loads of their white face calves at $9.75. Thus the Willamette valley again demonstrated its ability to produce good cattle because these cattle were good and deserved all the attention and favorable comment they received alongside the other cattle here Monday.

The sheep market is out of line with the East, but at that packers are not very keen and cut-out valley lambs are finding no outlet worth mentioning. The quality will have to improve if we get this market where it belongs on Willamette valley stock. Strictly good valley lambs are bringing $13.00; light ewes, $9.50; yearlings, $10.50. Improvement in conditions and quality will be necessary to get them higher.

Hog Market

Hogs are still in great demand, and are coming in slowly.

General range of the hog market:

Prime light	$17.75@17.85
Prime heavy	17.60@17.75
Pigs	14.00@16.00
Bulk	17.75

Sheep Situation

The sheep market remains stationary, and the price holds good throughout the country. There has been much heavy buying in Eastern Oregon the past week.

General sheep and lamb range:

Western lambs	$13.00@13.80
Valley lambs	11.75@12.50
Yearlings	10.00@10.50
Wethers	9.75@10.00
Ewes	8.00@ 8.50

Receipts of cattle do not meet the demands of the market. One good shipment brought a fancy price, but the average is ordinary.

General range of cattle market:

Best beef steers