Rising Stock Tide Stemmed

Profit Taking Prevents War Issues Climbing to new Highs

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—(AP)—A drive to put the war stocks into new high ground was stemmed today by the hate of many speculators to cash paper profits before the neutrality fight opens in congress.

Leading steels, motors, rail equipments, chemicals and other current favorites were up 1 to about 4 in early trading. Persistent offerings from traders following the day-to-day developments on the war fronts whittled down the gains, leaving the list somewhat irregular at the finish. Few issues emerged with net gains of as much as a point.

Meanwhile, the market place was confronted with ample evidence of a real autumn rise, stimulated by the recent wave of war buying in commodities and whole sale markets for finished and semi-finished products. Steel centers, particularly, turned in pictures of humming activity.

Rails Active

Rails and rail equipments shared the early speculative play with steels on reports carloadings had increased sharply and that some carriers for the first time in years were hanging out the "help wanted" sign to speed repair of equipment.

Final prices were only fractionally higher for United States Steel, General Motors, Goodyear, Douglas Aircraft, Kennecott Copper, Santa Fe and US Rubber. Small net declines were posted in Youngstown Sheet, Chrysler, General Electric, Anaconda and New York Central.

Transactions slowed when the advance ended. The volume, heavy at the outset, totaled 2,142,690 shares compared with 1,832,630 yesterday. The Associated Press composite price of 60 stocks held unchanged at 5.24.

Some US treasury issues sold at 1939 lows in a renewed decline. Many rail bonds, on the other hand, rose 1 to 3 points.

Gardeners' Mart

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 20.—(AP)—(USDA)—Produce prices:

Apples—Oregon red Delicious, place pack $1.35-1.40; Ortleys, combination extra fancy and fancy, $1.15; C grade, 65c; Kings, loose 60-70c; Baldwins 65c; Winter Bananas, face and fill, 60-65c; loose, 85c-1.00; red or starking Delicious, combination extra fancy and fancy, 1.75-1.80; place pack 1.60-1.75; extra fancy wrapped 1.75-1.80; fancy 1.70-1.75.

Artichokes—4 5 doz. boxes 2.75-3.00; doz., 70c.

Avocados—California Queen, Sharpless, Benik, $1.25-2.10; others, $1.05-1.80.

Bananas—Per bunch, 5c per lb.; hand-cut or small lots, 6c.

Beans—Oregon Kentuckys, 3-3½c; Blue Lakes, 3-3½c; Yount, 4-5c lb.; Oregon Giants 5c; Shell Limas, 1.25.

Berries—Oregon huckleberries, 11-18c pound.

Brussels Sprouts—12-cup flats 1.25.

Cabbage—Local, 90 pound, new crates, medium size, 75-85c; per sack 60c.

Cantaloupes—Washington, all sizes 60-80s; Oregon Spears, 75-85c; The Dalles 70-80c; Dillards, 1.00-1.15.

Cauliflower—Local No. 1, 9-11s, 1.35-1.50; No. 2, 60-65c.

Celery—Oregon Utah 85c;-1.00; white, 90c-1.15; hearts, Utah, 75-80c; white, 75c-1.00 per doz.

Citrus Fruit—Calif. grapefruit, 1.80-2.15; fancy, 2.50-2.75.

Corn—Oregon, Washington, 5-6 dozen boxes, 90c-1.00; fair, 60-65c; poor, 40-50c.

Cranberries—Oregon, Washington, 25-lb boxes, early blacks and McFarlands, 4.00.

Cucumbers — Oregon, flats, 30-35c; picklers, gherkins 90c-1.00; No. 1, 50-60c, No. 2, 40-45c; No. 3, 35-40c.

Eggplant — Local, flats, 50-60; few 55c; dozen large in crate, 60-75c.

Figs—California white, flats, best, 65-75c; black, 90c-1.00.

Garlic—Local, new, 8-10c lb.; string, 10-12c per lb.

Grapes—Calif. lugs, seedless, 1.10-1.15; Lady Fingers 1.25-1.35; Tokays 1.00-1.05; Ribiers 1.10-1.25; Cornichons 1.25; Washington and Oregon Concords and Early Moore, lugs, best 50-60c; Muscats 1.25.

Lemons—Fancy, all sizes 6.35-6.50.

Lettuce—Local, dry pack 3 or 4 dozen best, 1.00-1.15; Washington topped, 1.35-1.50; Calif. iced 2.00.

Limes—Calif. flats, 150s, 2.50; display cartons, 90c; doz. 20-25c.

Mushrooms — Cultivated, 1-lb. cartons, 35-40c; ¼-lb. cartons, 18-20c.

Onions—Washington, 50-lb. sacks, Walla Walla Spanish, medium, 50-55c; large, 75c; Oregon yellows, 50-pound sacks, No. 1, 55-65c; 10-pound sacks 14-15c; Oregon pickle onions, large lots, 5-5½c; small lots, 5½-6c.

Oranges—Valencias, large, 4.65-5.15; medium, 3.50-4.00; small 2.75-3.10.

Peaches—Washington Elbertas, large 40-55c; Hales 60-70c; Oregon Muirs 40-50c; Hales 60-70c; Elbertas 40-50c.

Peppers—Oregon flats, green 35-40c; red 85c-1.00.

Pears—Washington extra fancy Bartletts, 1.60-1.75; comb. extra fancy and fancy, 1.50-1.60; loose, orchard run, 65-75c; Bosc, loose, 50-60c; Anjous, loose 75c.

Peas—Oregon coast, 25-lb. boxes, 1.40-1.50; bushel baskets 2.00.

Plums—Oregon Italians, 20-25c per 20-lb lug; Tamsons, 30-40c; Hungarian, 40-50c.

Potatoes—Market weak; Oregons, local Long Whites and Russets, US No. 1, 100-lb. sacks, 1.50-1.60; No. 2, 50-pound sacks, 50c; Washington Russets, US No. 1, 100-lb. sacks, 1.50-1.60; 25-lb. sacks, 45c, No. 2, 60-65c.

Quince—Oregon loose, culls out, 3-4c per lb.

Spinach—Local orange boxes, 60-65c.

Squash—Orange flat Zucchini, 35-40c; Scallop and Crooknecks, 35-40c; Danish, large crates, 70-75; lugs, 35-40c; Marblehead, 1¼-2c; Hubbard, 1½-2c; pumpkins, 1c per lb.

Sweet Potatoes — California Jerseys, 1.65-1.80.

Melons — Watermelons, Oregon, Klondikes and stripes 1.00-1.25 per cwt., crates extra; Honeydews, crates, 1.00-1.25; Casabas, loose, 1¼-1½c lb.; crates 75-80c; Ice Cream ½c lb.; Santa Claus flat crates, 75c

Tomatoes—Oregon, local No. 1, mostly 50-60c, few 75c; southern Oregon No. 1 90c; local and Washington, unclassified 40-60c.

Bunched Vegetables—Per dozen, parsley 20-25c; radishes 18-20c; turnips 45-50c; green onions 18-20c; beets 16-18c, carrots 20-25c; dill weed 4-5c per lb.; endive 50-55c; broccoli 35-40c; kohl rabi 40c; celery root 60-65c; chard 20-30c.

Root Vegetables—Per 100-lb. sacks, rutabagas, 1.25-1.50; turnips 1.35-1.50; beets 1.00-1.25; carrots 50-75c.

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Salem Market Quotations

FURITS
(Buying Prices)
(The prices below supplied by a local grower and indicative of the daily market prices paid to growers by Salem buyers but are not guaranteed by The Statesman.)

Bananas, lb. on stalk	.05½
Hands	.06
Grapes, Calif., seedless	1.25
Grapefruit, Calif.	2.35
Lemons, crate	6.75
Oranges, crate	2.50 to 4.00
Avocados, crate	1.50
Cantaloupes, crate	1.20
Watermelons, lb.	.01

VEGETABLES
(Buying Prices)

Beans, green	.02
Beets, doz.	.25
Cabbage, lb.	.01½
Carrots, local, doz.	.20
Cauliflower, local	1.25
Celery, Utah, 90c; local, crate	1.00
Corn, Dcz.	.15
Cucumbers, outdoor	.75
Lettuce	2.00
Onions, 50 lbs.	.75
Green onions, doz.	.20
Radishes, doz.	.30
Peas, coast, lb.	.10
Peppers, green	.04
Parsley	.40
Potatoes, local cwt., No. 1, 50 lb. bags	1.50
Spinach, Seattle, box	.70
Turnips, doz.	1.00
Squash, doz.	.35
Tomatoes, Dalles, lug	.40

NUTS
(Price paid by Independent Packing plant to grower)

Walnuts—Franquettes, fancy, 12c medium, 10c; small 8c; orchard run, 8 to 10c. Walnut meats, 25 to 30c lb.

Filberts—Barcelonas, large 12½c; fancy 11½c; babies, 11c; orchard run 11c.

(Co-op Prices to Grower)

Walnuts—Price range, depending upon way nuts run in 14 different grades 11½-12c. Duchilly 1 cent higher.

HOPS
(Buying Prices)

Clusters, 1939, lb.	.35 to .40
1938,	.25

WOOL AND MOHAIR
(Buying Prices)

Wool, medium, lb.	.30
Coarse, lb.	.30
Lambs, lb.	.28
Mohair, lb.	.30

EGGS AND POULTRY
(Buying Prices of Andresen's)

Grade A large, doz.	.27
Grade B large, doz.	.23
Grade A medium, doz	.23

Grade B raw 4 per cent milk, Dairy Co-op price to Butterfat, No. 1, 30½c; No. 2, 28½c; premium 31½c.
A grade print, 33½c; B grade 32½c; quarters 34½c.

Pullets	.12
Colored frys	.14
White Leghorns, heavy	.11
White Leghorn frys	.13
White Leghorn, light	.10
Old Roosters	.05
Heavy hens, lb.	.13

MARION CREAMERY Buying Prices

Butterfat, first quality	.30½
Butterfat, second quality	.28½
Butterfat, premium	.31½
Leghorn hens	.08
Leghorn fryers, 1½ lbs.	.12
Colored fryers, 2-3 lbs.	.12
Colored hens, under 5 lbs.	.13
Colored hens, over 5 lbs.	.11
Stags	.06
Old roosters	.04

No. 2 grade 5c per pound less.

EGGS

Grade A large, doz.	.27
Grade A medium	.23
Grade B large	.23
Grade B medium	.18
Undergrades and chex	.18
Pullets	.13

GRAIN, HAY AND SEEDS

Wheat, Bu. No. 1 recleaned	.75 to .80
Oats, ton	22.00
Feed barley, ton	22.00
Clover Hay, ton	12.00
Alfalfa, ton	14.00
Egg mash, No. 1 grade, 80 lb. bag	1.70
Dairy Feed, 80 lb. bag	1.35
Hen scratch feed	1.85
Cracked corn	1.75
Wheat	1.70

LIVESTOCK
(Buying prices for No. 1 stock, based on conditions and sales reported up to 4 p.m.)

Lambs, 1939, tops	7.75
Lambs, yearlings	4.00
Ewes	2.00 to 2.50
Hogs, top	7.75
130-150 lbs.	7.00 to 7.25
250-300 lbs.	6.75 to 7.00
Sows	5.25 to 5.50
Beef cows	5.00 to 5.25
Bulls	5.00 to 5.75
Heifers	5.00 to 6.50
Top veal	8.50
Dairy type cows	3.50 to 4.50
Dressed veal, lb.	.13½

Quotations at Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 20.—(AP)—Produce exchange:

Butter: Extras 30; standards 28½; prime firsts 28; firsts 26½.

Butterfat 29½-30.

Eggs: Large extras 28; large standards 22; medium extras 21; medium standards 19; small extras 13; small standards 12.

Cheese: Triplets 15½; loaf 16.

Portland Grain

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 20.—(AP)—

Wheat:	Open	High	Low	Close
December	82½	83	82½	83
September	81	81½	81	81½

Cash Grain: Oats, No. 2-38 lb. white, 25.75. Barley, No. 2-45 lb. BW, 23.75. Corn, No. 2, EY shipment, 28.00. No. 1 flax, 1.79.

Cash Wheat Bid: Soft white 80½; western white, 80; western red 79. Hard red winter: ordinary 78; 11 per cent 79; 12 per cent 81; 13 per cent 83; 14 per cent 85.

Hard white-Baart: ordinary unquoted; 12 per cent 86; 13 per cent 89; 14 per cent 92.

Today's Car Receipts: Wheat 9; barley 2; flour 19; corn 4; oats 1; millfeed 9.

Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 20.—(AP)—Country Meats—Selling price to retailers: Counntry-killed hogs, best butchers, under 100 lbs., 12-12½c lb.; vealers, fancy, 14-14½c; light-thin, 10-12c; heavy, 9-11c; spring lambs, 14-15c lb.; yearling lambs, 10-12c lb.; ewes, 5-6c lb.; cutter cows, 9c lb.; canner cows, 8-8½c lb.; bulls, 9½-10c lb.

Live Poultry—Buying prices: Leghorn broilers 14c lb.; roasters, over 4 lbs. 14c; 2 lbs. and over 14-15c lb.; Leghorn hens over 3½ lbs. 11c; Leghorn hens under 3½ lbs. 10-11c; colored hens to 4 lbs 14c; over 5 lbs. 14c; No. 2 grade 5c less. Turkeys—New crop hens 22-23c lb.; toms, 22 23c.

Potatoes—Deschutes Gems, 1.75 cental. New Potatoes — Yakima Gems, 1.75 cwt.; local whites 1.00-1.25 orange box; Scappoose Burbanks, 1.25-1.30 cental.

Onions—Walla Walla, 40-50c sack; Yakima 40 50c sack; Oregon Bermudas, 2-2½c lb.

Wool—Eastern Oregon fine, 25-26c lb.; crossbred 28-29c; Willamette valley 12 months 29c; lamb 20c lb.

Hay—Selling price to retailers: Alfalfa, No. 1 16.00 ton; oat-vetch 12.00 ton; clover, 11.00 ton; timothy, eastern Oregon 19.00; valley timothy, 14.00 ton Portland.

Hops—Oregon 1939, 25-30c lb.; 1938 Cl usters 25c lb., 1937, 4½-5c.

Mohair—12 months 35c; fall 29c lb.

Cascara bark—Buying price 1939 peel, 4c lb.

Domestic Flour—Selling price, city delivery, 1 to 25 bbl. lots; Family patents, 49s, 6.55-6.75; bakers' hard wheat, net, 5.15-6.40; bakers' bluestem, 5.95-6.25; blended wheat flour, 6.00-6.35; soft wheat 5.65-5.70; graham, 49s, 5.90; whole wheat, 49s, 6 35.

Portland Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 20.—(AP)—(USDA)—Hogs: Receipts 400. Market uneven; opened steady, later sales 15 lower.

Barrows and gilts, gd-ch, 120-140 lbs	$ 6.65@ 7.25
do gd-ch, 140-160 lbs.	7.15@ 7.85
do gd-ch, 160-180 lbs.	7.60@ 8.15
do gd-ch, 180-200 lbs.	8.00@ 8.15
do gd-ch, 200-220 lbs.	7.60@ 8.15
do gd-ch, 220-240 lbs.	7.35@ 7.85
do gd ch, 240-270 lbs.	7.25@ 7.65
do gd-ch, 270-300 lbs.	7.10@ 7.50
do gd-ch, 300-330 lbs.	7.00@ 7.25
do gd-ch, 330-360 lbs.	6.85@ 7.10
do med, 160-200 lbs.	7.25@ 8.00
Feeder pigs, gd-ch 70-140	7.00@ 8.00

Cattle: 225; calves 35. Market uneven.

Steers, good, 900-1100 lbs.	$ 8.25@ 9.50
do medium, 750-1100 lbs	7.50@ 8.50
do med, 1100-1300 lbs.	7.00@ 8.25
do common, 750-1100 lbs	6.25@ 7.50
Heifers, med, 500-900 lbs.	7.00@ 8.00
do common, 500-900 lbs.	5.75@ 7.00
Cows, good, all weights	5.75@ 6.85
do medium, all wts.	5.00@ 7.75
do cut com, all wts.	3.75@ 5.00
do canner (low cutter, all wts.)	3.25@ 3.75
Bulls (yearlings excluded), beef, good, all wts	6.25@ 6.50
do sausage, gd, all wts.	6.00@ 6.50
do medium, all wts.	5.50@ 6.00
do cut-com, all wts.	5.00@ 5.50
do com-med, all wts.	8.50@ 9.50
do com-med, all wts.	5.00@ 8.50
do cull all wts.	4.00@ 5.00
Calves, gd-ch, 400 lbs down	7.00@ 8.50
do com-med, 400 lbs dn.	5.00@ 7.00
do cull, 400 lbs down	4.00@ 5.00

Sheep: Salable 300. Market steady.

Spring lambs good, choice	$ 8.00@ 8.25
do medium and good	7.00@ 7.75
do common	6.25@ 6.75
Yearling wethers, gd.-choice	5.25@ 6.75
do medium	4.75@ 5.25
Ewes, good to choice	2.50@ 3.00
do common t medium	1.00@ 2.50

Wool in Boston

BOSTON, Sept. 20—(AP)—(USDA)—Trading was moderately active on the Boston market today and prices were strong to slightly higher than last week. Combing three-eighths blood territory wools were selling at 87 to 92 cents, scoured basis, and combing quarter blood wools were bringing 82 to 85 cents, scoured basis. Grade blood territory wools were moving at $1.08 to 1.30. Fine territory wools move $1.03, scoured basis, for graded and French combing lengths and at 95 cents to $1 for good French combing original and at 92 to 95 cents, scoured basis, for average to short French combing length origin.

Plant Quarantine Meeting at Reno

A meeting of the uniform quarantine committee of the Western Plant Quarantine board has been called for Reno, Nev., September 25, Frank McKennon, chief of the plant industry division of the Oregon state agricultural department, was advised Wednesday.

McKennon said the meeting would discuss amendments to the alfalfa weevil quarantine.

Fumigation experiments involving baled alfalfa against alfalfa weevil in Baker county, also will be considered at the session.

GOES TO SEATTLE

ELLENDALE — Mrs. Georgia Robbins of Ellendale is working in Seattle. Mrs. Robbins has lived in Ellendale for a number of years. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robbins are taking over Mrs. Robbins farm.

Stocks and Bonds

September 20
STOCK AVERAGES

	30 Indus	15 Rails	15 Util	60 Stocks
Net Chg.	A .1	A .2	D .4	Unch
Wednesday	75.1	21.9	38.3	52.4
Previous day	75.0	21.7	38.7	52.4
Month ago	64.4	16.5	37.2	45.5
Year ago	70.3	18.0	31.9	47.3
1939 high	77.0	23.8	40.6	53.4
1939 low	58.8	15.7	33.7	41.6

BOND AVERAGES
Compiled by The Associated Press

	20 Rails	10 Indus	10 Util	10 Forgn
Net Chg.	A .7	D .1	D .1	D1.5
Wednesday	60.5	97.6	92.9	*42.2
Previous day	59.8	97.7	93.0	43.7
Month ago	55.0	99.5	96.0	57.1
Year ago	55.4	97.6	91.7	62.6
1939 high	64.9	100.8	97.5	64.0
1939 low	53.4	95.8	90.4	42.2

* New low.

Closing Quotations

NEW YORK, Sept. 20—(AP)—Today's closing prices:

Al Chem & Dye	194	Coml Solvent	14¼
Allied Stores	9⅛	Comwlth & Sou	1½
American Can	110⅛	Consol Edison	30⅛
Am For Power	2⅝	Consol Oil	8¾
Am Power & Lt	5⅝	Corn Products	61
Am Rad Std San	10⅝	Curtiss Wright	7¼
Am Roll Mills	21¼	Douglas Aircraft	76
Am Smelt & Ref	57⅝	Du Pont de N.	178⅝
Am Tel & Tel	160½	Elec Power & Lt	9
Am Tobacco	78¼	Erie RR	2¼
Am Water Wks	13⅝	General Electric	41½
Anaconda	34	General Foods	40⅝
Armour Il 1	7	General Motors	54
Atchison	30½	Goodyear Tires	29½
Barnsdall	16⅛	Great Northern	30⅛
Balt & Ohio	7⅝	Hudson Motors	6¼
Bendix Aviation	29⅝	Illinois Central	14¾
Bethlehem Steel	92¼	Insp Copper	16½
Boeing Air	27¼	Int Harvester	68½
Borge Warner	25¾	Int Nickel Can	40⅛
Budd Mfg	7⅛	Int Paper & P Pf	44⅝
Calif Pack	27⅛	Int Tel & Tel	5
Callahan Z-L	3½	Johns-Manville	79
Calumet Hec	8⅝	Kennecott	42¾
Canadian Pacific	4⅞	Libbey-O-Ford	45¾
J I Case	85	Lig & Myers B	99
Caterpil Tractor	59⅝	Loew's	34
Celanese	26⅝	Monty Ward	54¼
Certain-Teed	6⅞	Nash Kelvinator	6¾
Ches & Ohio	41¾	National Biscuit	22⅝
Chrysler	87⅞	National Cash	16⅛
		Natl Dairy Prod	15½
		National Dist	23¼
		Natl Power & Lt	8⅝
		Northern Pacific	11
		Packard Motors	4
		J C Penney	86¼
		Phillips Petrol	45½
		Presse Steel Car	14¼
		Pub Service NJ	38⅛
		Pullman	37½
		Safeway Stores	40½
		Sears Roebuck	78
		Shell Union	15
		Sou Cal Edison	25
		Southern Pacific	16¼
		Standard Brands	6¼
		Standard Oil Cal	30½
		Standard Oil NJ	51⅛
		Studebaker	7¾
		Sup Oil	3¼
		Timk Roll Bear	50⅝
		Trans-America	6⅝
		Union Carbide	91
		United Aircraft	44⅛
		United Airlines	10⅝
		US Rubber	43⅝
		US Steel	77⅝
		Walworth	6⅞
		Western Union	35½
		White Motors	12¾
		Woolworth	39

Wheat Prices Up Then Down

War Inspired Purchasing Makes Upturn, Profit Taking Follows

CHICAGO, Sept. 20—(AP)—Wheat prices shot up as much as 3⅝ cents today but then tumbled back again, losing all or most of the early gains.

War inspired purchasing, which caught the pit with few selling orders at the opening, caused the sharp upturn. When high prices of 87⅞ and 89⅛ for December and May contracts were reached. However, many traders rushed to take profits. The result was that the market had a generally downward course after the first few minutes of trading and the close was ⅛ lower to ⅝ cent higher compared with yesterday's finish, December 85⅝-⅛, May 86½-⅝.

At the early highs, wheat came within about a cent of the warboom peaks touched September 7.

Other grains fluctuated nervously but within much narrower ranges.

Stock Strength Aids

The speeches of Hitler and Chamberlain attracted most attention in the trade. Strength in stocks also aided the early buying movement. Tending to restrain activity, however, was lagging export trade with the subsidy withdrawn, and diminishing domestic flour business, altogether millers reported sales were satisfactory in view of large bookings still unsatisfied.

Traders pointed out large wheat supplies are available in both Canada and Argentina at prices well below the domestic market. Buenos Aires October wheat was quoted around 53 cents while Winnipeg October was priced at 74¼.

There were rumors of substantial export sales of Canadian wheat the past few days, with business today estimated at 750,000 bushels. However, sales to Canada's best customer, Great Britain, were not disclosed. Milling interests were in the local market at times, with purchases estimated at 95,000 bushels. Vessel space was chartered to move 800,000 bushels to Buffalo.

Allied Chiefs Map Plans

—International Illustrated News Cablephoto

While the allies hammer away at the German defenses on the western front, British military strategists study a map in the war office in London. Those pictured are General Sir Edmund Ironside, left, chief of the imperial defense staff, and General the Viscount Gort, commander-in-chief of the field forces.

Will Conduct Research On Marketing Agencies

CORVALLIS, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Dr. D. B. DeLoach, agricultural economist, will head an experiment station research project in the field of financing marketing agencies, Dean William Scoenfeld of Oregon State college announced today.

Dr. DeLoach will be assisted by N. Fogelberg, assigned from Washington, D. C., by the FCA, and C. W. Peters, student of agricultural economics.

Hop Harvest Is Nearing End

OAK POINT.—The hop harvest is coming to a close this week. The McLaughlin yard will finish picking Thursday and other small yards finished earlier in the week. There has been a shortage of pickers and yards have raised the price to pickers.

Prune picking is in progress in the Rogers orchard with a good crop this year.

US Will Buy Dried Prunes

5000 Tons to Be Bought in Oregon, Washington to Assist Industry

PORTLAND, Sept. 20.—(AP)—dried fruit will be purchased in Oregon, Washington and California to aid the western prune industry, the Federal Surplus Commodities corporation said today.

The quantity was not specified but it was reported about 5,000 tons would be taken in Oregon and Washington and 15,000 in California.

Assistance was sought by the industry because of a depressed market resulting from an unusually large crop. The European conflict has improved market conditions somewhat.

Asks Grower Program.

In a letter to S. Stephenson Smith, president of the Oregon Commonwealth Federation, Paul H. Appleby, assistant to Agriculture Secretary Wallace, advised growers to work out a program for the future.

He asserted "a good many millions of dollars" had been spent in "baling out" prune growers, and added "* * * the prune people have done nothing to indicate we shan't have to go on spending steadily increasing sums in future years. * * * it is impossible for the federal government permanently to underwrite all of these various producer groups with special aid."

Your Market Page

This is your market page. The Statesman wants to present here the market quotations and market news that will be of most value to seller and buyer. Comments and suggestions from readers are solicited.

BEULAH CHAPMAN
Market Editor

Alfalfa Weevil Quarantine May Get Revision

A meeting of the uniform quarantine committee of the Western Plant Quarantine board at Reno, Nev., Monday, September 25, may prove of significance to Oregon alfalfa growers, in light of successful experiments being carried on in Baker county in fumigation of baled alfalfa hay against the alfalfa weevil.

The meeting, according to Frank McKennon, chief of the Oregon agriculture department division of plant industry and who is a member of the committee, is being called to discuss an amendment to the alfalfa weevil quarantine and some other quarantines.

The experiment being conducted in Baker county has shown that fumigation of baled alfalfa in Union Pacific class AA freight cars at the rate of one pound of methyl bromide to 1,000 cubic feet of space for a 24-hour period has been effective, department officials say.

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