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DIVIDE WITH FRANCE

The American people have been
lavish in their professions of sym-
pathy with France. Here is a chance
to put our sentiment to practical ef-
fect.

Food Administrator Hoover an-
nounces that the French people are
short of sugar. Their only possible
source of supply during the next
three months is the United States.
Unless we share our supply with them
they will be deprived entirely of this
necessary food substance.

The French have been using about
one ounce of sugar a day per capita.
That is the rate of consumption, too,
in England and Italy. We are eating
four ounces a day. Surely out of
that comparative abundance we can
spare enough to give the French
what they need.

Mr. Hoover says this depart-
ment has no desire to curtail the sup-
ply of sugar for canning purposes.
But he asks the nation, out of its re-
maining allowance of about three
ounces a day, to save one-third in
order to provide the necessary sur-
plus for the French. Surely we can
do no less than that.

It means merely cutting down a lit-
tle the amount of candy we eat and
the amount of sugar we use for
sweetening our food from day to day,
from now until the end of the year.
We are said to eat more sugar, any-
how, than is good for us. If there
is any privation about it, think of
the sacrifices the French are making
—for our benefit as well as their own.

POISONING CATTLE

Ordinarily we should be inclined
to discredit the stories of disease
spread among American horses and
cattle by German emissaries. We
cannot imagine any sort of people
lending themselves to such a plot.
And yet, mysterious livestock epi-
demies in California, Ohio and sev-
eral other states lend themselves more
readily to this explanation since the
American public knows what German
diplomats undertook to do in Rou-
mania.

Statements made by our govern-
ment and corroborated by official
German documents show that Amer-
ican representatives at Bucharest
found concealed in the German lega-
tion, when they took over German in-
terests there, a large stock of deadly
microbes intended to spread disease
among Roumanian cattle. And that
was at a period when Germany and
Roumania were still at peace.

SCHMITT TELLS OF CON-
DITIONS AT CAMP LEWISLocal Banker Writes of Events
on Recent Automobile Trip
Through Two States

By Alfred C. Schmitt

It was my privilege, in company
with my son Lawrence, to take a ra-
ther extended auto trip, and I will
endeavor in a few lines to convey to
the readers of the Democrat some of
the impressions that I gained.

In all we covered a distance of 1350
miles. Our trip began in Albany and
extended to Tacoma and return to
Portland, and from there to Wasco
in Eastern Oregon, and from there
south to Klamath Falls, by way of
Crater Lake to Medford, and from
there south across the California bor-
der line, and then northward up
through the Rogue River Valley, the
Umpqua Valley and the Willamette
Valley to Albany.

The purpose of our trip to Tacoma
was to visit Vancouver Barracks and
Camp Lewis at American Lake, for
the purpose of ascertaining principally
the character of the work that was
carried on at these respective places

for the soldiers by the Y. M. C. A.
At Vancouver the Y. M. C. A. has
erected two separate buildings for
carrying on the welfare work among
the enlisted men. Both buildings are
well patronized. The association fur-
nishes the men with writing material,
postage stamps and looks after their
mail, furnishes them with athletic
supplies such as base balls, volley
balls, basket balls and tennis court
equipment. The association supplies
them with a reading room, with news-
papers and periodicals, supplies them
with phonograph music, and nearly
every evening has an entertainment
of some kind; sometimes by local tal-
ent arranged for among the enlisted
men, and sometimes by outsiders; and
sometimes they have regular gospel
meetings and "sings" by the soldiers.
Music seems to be especially popular
among the men. The association also
has on hand a number of reading
books which are let out to the men.
The association also has bath rooms
and private committee rooms for men
to meet for consultation. The work
done at Vancouver is greatly appre-
ciated by the men, and is a service
that could possibly be rendered by
no other organization except the Y.
M. C. A. Our own Mr. McDonald is
in charge of one of the buildings.
There were stationed at Vancouver
something like seven thousand men in
all when we were there.

The operations at Camp Lewis and
American Lake are far more exten-
sive than we had any idea of. Camp
Lewis is located about 15 miles south
of Tacoma. When we were there
something like 2,000 mess houses, bar-
racks and accessory buildings were
under construction. The project is
gigantic, and must be seen to be fully

MARKET REPORT

The prices given in the local quo-
tations are those asked by the
wholesaler from the retailer for
fruit and vegetables. All other
prices are those paid the producer.
List corrected daily.

LOCAL
Grains

Wheat	\$1.90
Oats, 75c.	
Bran	33c
Vetch seed	\$3.10
Shorts	39c
Hay, cheat	20c
Hay, vetch	20c
Hay, timothy	22c
Clover	20c
Flour, hard wheat	\$10.58
Flour, valley	\$10.00
Sugar	\$8.08

Butter

Butterfat	49c
Creamery butter	49c
Country butter, trade	50c
Eggs and Poultry	
Eggs, cash	43c
Eggs, trade	44c
Hens, per pound	13@15c
Roosters	8c
Broilers	15c
Springs	14c
Ducks	14@15c
Geese	(—)

Pork, Veal and Mutton

Hogs	\$13@16.75
Cows	4@5 1-2c
Steers	5@7c
Veal	7@9c
Bulls	4@5c
Ewes	5@7c
Lambs	8 1-2c@10 1-2c
Yearling sheep	7@8c

PORTLAND MARKET

Portland, October 3, 1917.	
Bluestem, \$2.05.	
Fortyfold, \$2.03.	
Club, \$2.01.	
Red Russian, \$1.98.	
Oats, white No. 2 feed, \$50.	
Barley, feed, \$51.	
Hay	
Willamette Timothy, fancy	\$24@25.
Vetch, \$22@23.	
Cheat, \$22@23.	
Clover, \$22.	

Vegetables

Potatoes, \$1.25@1.50.	
Beans—nominal, small white, 14 1-2c	
large white 14 1-2c; pink, 10 3-4c;	
limas, 13 1-2c; bayous, 10 1-2c; red,	
10 1-2c.	

Livestock

Prime steers	\$7.50@9.75
Hogs, best live, \$17.50@17.75.	
Fancy cows, \$6.75@7.50	
Calves, \$5@9.50.	

Sheep, valley yearlings, \$11.25@11.50	
Spring lambs, \$12.75@13.50.	

Butter, Eggs and Sugar

Butter, city creamery, 46c.	
Butterfat, 49c.	
Eggs, selected ex, 44c.	
Sugar, \$8.00.	

Live Poultry

Hens, Plymouth Rocks, 18@19c.	
Broilers, 19c.	
Turkeys, live, 19@22c	
Geese, live, 10c	
Pekin Ducks, 18@20c	
Wool, '16 valley cotswold, best, 55c	
medium Shropshire, 60c	
Hops, '16 crop, 25@27c; contracts,	
39@41c.	

appreciated. By the first of October
they expected to have 45,000 men sta-
tioned there. Extensive hospital corps
equipment is being provided for, and
arrangements are under way to care
for 6,000 wounded men. The natural
facilities at American Lake seem to
be ideal for a soldiers' training camp,
the soil is shallow and the subsoil
consists almost all of gravel. A paved
highway leads from Camp Lewis
direct to Tacoma. Sewers and water
connections are being provided for
the camp. Everything indicated that
Uncle Sam intends to spare no mon-
ey or effort to do things up right.
When we were there the work of
the Y. M. C. A. was being carried
on in a large tent. The service ren-
dered is exactly the same as that ren-
dered at Vancouver. One large new
building had been completed, and was
to be dedicated the night after we
left. It is the intention of the associa-
tion to erect six such units to be scat-
tered about the different sections of
the camp. One central building is
about completed, from which the
work in these six units is to be di-
rected and overlooked. These re-
spective units are about 40x80 feet
in dimensions, and afford an excel-
lent reading and entertainment room,
a library room and committee rooms.
The service rendered by the associa-
tion is entirely gratuitous, and is open
to all, and it is a surprise to many
men how this association can do it
free of charge. While some of the
enlisted men are rather indifferent to
the association, yet the large major-
ity take advantage of the privileges
and opportunities offered by the as-
sociation. The association really fur-
nishes club rooms for the men to
congregate, to visit and to find enter-
tainment.

The Knights of Columbus hall con-
structed a good sized building at
Camp Lewis, and will undoubtedly
render a service similar to that of
the association. It is understood that
the Young Men's Hebrew association was
also endeavoring to do welfare work
of some kind amongst the soldiers.

Both from a business and social
standpoint, Tacoma was alive as we
had never seen it before. Everywhere
in the streets and in the shops and
in the hotels soldiers and officers
were to be seen. The enlisted men
seem to conduct themselves orderly,
and were rather looked up to by the
citizens of the community.

Of the towns which impressed es-
pecially favorable in Washington, we
would mention Chehalis, Centralia and
Olympia. These towns all have paved
and well lighted streets, and fine
stores and excellent hotel equipment.
Olympia is the largest of the three.
All of them are very desirable towns

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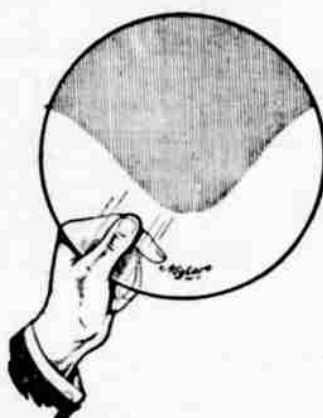
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