

# Food Prices Soar With War Demand

### Every Section of the Country Shows Increase—Packers Holding Back Meat to Get Cream of European Price, Say Market Experts.

Food prices, particularly those of meat, throughout the United States, are soaring on the prospect of a firm market and the prospective big European demand, according to Charles J. Brand, chief of the Division of Markets of the Department of Agriculture.

In the opinion of the experts of the recently created bureau, the ordinary law of supply and demand does not substantiate an advance in prices at this time.

The packers, it is pointed out, are in an advantageous position because their product is susceptible of storage, and they are storing their product waiting for the furnishing of ships to take the "cream of prices from the European market."

### STORAGE A FACTOR.

An embargo has been placed by the railroads against export shipments, but this will last, it is believed, only until vessels under American register are secured in which to make exports. The packers are awaiting the efforts of Congress to furnish them the ships. Under ordinary circumstances, say market experts, stopping exports of food to Europe would increase the home supply and reduce prices on the home markets, but the new factor of storage makes it possible to hold the European war.

Mr. Brand believes that the nub of the situation is in the storage facilities of the meat packers. Many of the channels of information of the Bureau of Markets have been closed by the war, Mr. Brand said. He thinks prices will hold firm with a continued upward trend. A Washington wholesaler pointed out today that with the source of Argentine and Australian meat cut off, the American market is short. Official figures of the Department of Agriculture show that putting this on the free list did not reduce materially prices. The quantity imported has been exceedingly small and the imports were made or controlled by American packers. Not one one-hundredth of the American home supply has been imported, and the quantity was never large enough to be a factor in controlling prices.

Conditions governing meat prices today are also largely affecting grain. Mr. Brand said, and other food values are bound to be reflected in wheat's upward climb. Prices of meats and other foods in Washington are showing an unmistakable upward trend. Dispatches from New York and other cities show alarming over-increases.

The Chicago Butchers' Association is to make an investigation of the higher wholesale prices quoted by the packers, declaring that they are not warranted.

**Expect Another Jump.** "Prices have gone out of sight, and the prospects are for advances much further," said one of the wholesale meat packers at the market this morning.

The run of cattle in the West has diminished 40 per cent, buyers say, and imports have ceased altogether. Packing firms in South America are going to ship meat direct to Europe. The largest company in South America is an English concern, and it will naturally send all of its products to England and Australia, which has heretofore come into the United States, will also go to England.

The wholesale price of beef in the packing centers of St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, and Chicago has risen 2 cents on the pound in twenty-four hours.

Pork, which the wholesalers predicted last week would remain stable, has unexpectedly made a jump also. "We have no idea what will happen to the market in the course of the war," said the manager of Swift & Co., at Center Market.

"Prices are pretty high, and we cannot look for a decrease in the near future."

**Living Cost Higher.** NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—The cost of living is going upward by leaps and bounds already, as a result of the European war. New York butchers quoted meats today 4 and 5 cents higher. Butter has soared. Sugar has reached new top prices.

These are purely domestic food staples. On those imported the prices have shot upward to record figures. Not only in food has the high cost of living soared. Here are some other staples affected because of the cutting off of foreign ports:

Hats, up 15 per cent, because Austria, Germany, and England are the largest producers. Dress goods, already up 10 per cent, and stores are beginning to announce "American styles" because Paris is isolated.

Shirtings, up 25 per cent, on account of interruption of British shipments. Cigarettes, tobacco, particularly Turkish and Egyptian, becoming scarce and increasing in price.

Imported wines and liquors, whiskeys, at new high record prices. Tea, up 25 per cent, and the reserve supply in the United States is exceedingly small.

All imported cheese sky-rocketing and supply on hand small. Shoes will probably cost more, because 90 per cent of the upper leather is of Russian calf, and because of heavy export demands for American shoes. Because the greater part of the world's supply of toys comes from Germany, and Christmas shipments were about to begin when war was declared, American children may get fewer gifts on the Christmas tree.

Dye-stuffs, imported from Germany, are almost unobtainable. Imported gloves up several cents. Furs, most of which are dyed or

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# SUICIDE REGISTERS AS WASHINGTON GIRL INTO "MELTING POT"

### Identity of Young Woman Who Drinks Poison in Philadelphia Is Mystery.

At the morgue in Philadelphia today lies the body of a young woman who registered at the Windsor Hotel there as "Miss F. H. Moore, Washington, D. C.," and who ended her life by drinking carbolic acid. No letters or identification marks could be found among the young woman's luggage or upon her clothing.

The name given by the woman when she registered at the hotel does not appear in the Washington city directory, and the Philadelphia police have not communicated with the Washington police about the suicide.

Miss Moore—if that is her correct name—arrived at the hotel late Sunday night, and asked to be given accommodations for the night. She was unable to get into her room and the door was forced open. Miss Moore was found lying on the bed, dressed only in her night clothing, with an empty carbolic acid bottle near at hand. A physician who was called said she was found lying on the bed, dressed only in her night clothing, with an empty carbolic acid bottle near at hand.

**Salvation Army Host At Children's Outing**  
The children of Washington's poor and their mothers are rich in happiness today at Glen Echo, where the annual picnic and outing of the Salvation Army is in progress. More than 600 little ones and their mothers were conveyed to the amusement resort as guests of the organization this morning.

**Girl to Aid Her Father As Probation Officer**  
Miss Florence M. Porter, sixteen years old, a graduate of the Business High School, was appointed today as an assistant to her father, Captain Isaac Porter, chief probation officer of the District. Her salary will be \$80 a year.

**Capital Bureau Opened By New York Committee**  
Acting for the "New York committee in respect to the National Guard abroad," William H. Hamilton, Jr., today opened an information bureau here, and he will report directly to Mayor Mitchell.

**Soldier With a Broken Leg Brought From Camp**  
Suffering from a broken leg received by falling while at the National Guard camp at Virginia Beach, William S. Paul, a member of Company K, living at 20 P street northeast, was brought here this morning on a Norfolk and Western stretcher. He was removed to Garfield Hospital in an ambulance.

**Capital Germans Call Meeting for Red Cross**  
To raise funds for the Red Cross for use in the European war, and to protest against so-called partiality of a part of the American press, the United German Societies of the District have arranged a meeting of the members and delegates for this evening, at Artin Hall, 1006 E street northwest. Martin

**Beauty Drops Gems Into "Melting Pot"**  
The suffragist "melting pot" exhibit, when the various contributions to the melting pot, which it is hoped to formally open this morning at 1222 F street northwest. A crowd soon gathered in front of the window where a fair young vote-seeker, surrounded by gold and silver jewelry and trinkets of every description, stood and slowly turned the pages of a giant chart on each of which was inscribed a pointed suffragist epithet.

The exhibit will remain open until Saturday night, and each afternoon, before the exhibit, and speeches made from the door by prominent women of the National American Women Suffrage Association, which organization has sponsored the melting pot campaign. Mrs. Antoinette Funk, chairman of the committee of women in charge of the exhibit, will make the initial speech tonight.

Contributions to the melting pot are being received in large numbers. An ancient Roman mosaic bracelet, of exquisite workmanship, was received this morning from Mrs. Kate Trenholm. In addition to Mrs. Funk, the women on the committee in charge of the exhibit and who are taking active part in the work, are Mrs. Frank Bright, Mrs. Edward B. Clark, Mrs. Lato Sella, Miss Dorothy Sella, Miss Louisa Puffer, Miss Marjorie F. Warner, Miss Florence Smith, Miss Margaret Plant, Mrs. Vinton Birch, Mrs. William Spink, Mrs. Magnolia Harris, Mrs. William Stoner, Mrs. Carl W. Sherman, Mrs. Virginia Watrous, and Mrs. C. S. Gibson.

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**Insurgents Beaten in Printers' Convention**  
PROVIDENCE, R. I., Aug. 11.—The annual convention of the International Typographical Union is attended by nearly 300 delegates.

**Atlantic City—Next Sunday.** Pennsylvania Railroad \$3 excursion by special through train. Leave Union Station 6:10 a. m. Leave Atlantic City 6 p. m. First bathing line.—Adv.

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Waltz "Barcarole" from "Tales of Hoffmann".....Offenbach  
(a) Song, "Suppose I Met You Face to Face".....Harris  
(b) "War Songs of the Boys of 1863".....Calvin  
Excerpts from "Traviata".....Verdi  
Fantasia "The Broadway Review".....Lampe  
Popular selection, "I'm on My Way to Mandalay".....Felix  
One-step, "Some Baby".....Remick  
"The Star-Spangled Banner."

Wiegand, president of the United German Societies, will preside. The meeting will be called at 8 o'clock.

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\$1.00 Belted Lawn Negligees, 59c.  
\$65.00 Brown Coney Coats, \$32.50.  
\$2.00 Voile Kimonos, \$1.69.  
\$10.00 Washable Basque Dresses, \$2.98.

**AT THIRD FLOOR**  
7c Colored 25-inch Curtain Madras, yard, 3/2c.  
11c Slip Cover Damask, yard, 8c.  
\$1.50 to \$2.50 Tapestries, heavy weight, yard, 85c.  
89c Couch Covers (Belgian Damask), 59c.  
\$5.49 "Komi" Porc. Shades, 12 feet, \$2.50.  
\$1.00 Porch Shades, wide slat, 4 feet wide, 39c.

**AT FOURTH FLOOR**  
\$2.50 to \$4.00 Low White Shoes for Women, \$1.45.  
\$3.50 to \$4.00 High White Shoes, \$2.65.  
\$2.00 to \$2.50 White Canvas Low Shoes, \$1.15.  
\$5.00 Porch Swings, \$2.89.  
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75c Silk Hose, 59c.  
15c Women's Vests, 8c.  
50c and 75c Union Suits for Women, 39c.  
35c Lisle Thread Hose, 25c.

50c Organdie Collar and Cuff Sets, 25c.  
25c and 30c Children's Gauze Vests, 15c.  
\$5.00 and \$6.00 Parasols, \$2.50.  
5c Favors, at the Candy Store, 2c.  
12 1/2c and 15c Children's Hose, 5c.

\$1.50 and \$2.00 Union Taffeta Umbrellas, 75c.  
98c Poker Chip Racks, with 100 chips, 59c.  
10c White Skirt Belting, yard, 5c.  
10c Nickel Folding Coat Hangers, 4 for 25c.  
10c Earl Make Hooks and Eyes, rustproof, 5c.

\$1.00 and \$1.50 Silk Hose, 75c.  
25c Earl Witch Hazel and Cucumber Cream, 10c.  
75c and \$1.00 Geisha Girl Toilet Water, 50c.  
25c Tooth Brushes, good bristles, 10c.  
\$1.00 Eleanor Necklaces (cloudy colored beads), 69c.

Telegraph Canary Typewriter Paper, 8 1/2x11; second copy sheets, ream, 19c.  
25c Shields for Kimono Waists, 15c.  
\$1.50 Fitted Party Boxes; all colors, 98c.  
\$1.50 Black Leather Handbags, 98c.  
35c and 50c Lingerie Claps of sterling or gold plate, 25c.

25c Bottle 16-oz. Peroxide, 12c.  
98c and \$1.49 Silk Girdles, all colors, 49c.  
\$1.00 Pearl Beads, 26 inches, 79c.  
\$1.50 to \$2.00 Novelty Girdle Flouncings, 98c.  
\$1.49 to \$2.49 Silk Shadow Ribbons, yard, 89c.

Swiss, Crepe, Voile Flouncings, 75c to \$1.19 value, 45c.  
35c to 89c Venice Bandings, 4 to 6 inches, yard, 19c.  
25c Floral Cotton Crepes, yard, 93 1/4c.  
12 1/2c Colored Ratine, yard, 5 1/2c.  
25c Hesper Suitings, yard, 15c.

\$1.29 to \$2.00 Silk Crepes, 40 inches wide, \$1.00.  
\$1.69 Cheney Showerproof 46-inch Foulards, \$1.00.  
59c Plain Silk 19-inch Messaline, 30c.

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