

STEEL AND COPPER HIGH

Federal Commission Finds Wide Price Variations

PLENTY OF ROOM FOR LARGE PROFITS

The Cost Figures Are Laid Before the President

Washington, Aug. 22.—Steel, coal and copper occupy the center of the stage in connection with price fixing. The federal trade commission has presented to President Wilson figures indicating that prices charged to the government and to private purchasers admit of great profit to producers and manufacturers. In the case of steel it is set forth that there is wide variation in the cost of production and even wider variation in prices. For instance, under the tentative agreement, the navy department is paying \$65 a ton and the shipping board \$50 a ton for steel, while sales are made in the open market at \$100 to \$200 a ton. The manufacturers' reason for making the charges is, "We can get it." In the copper and metal markets, the commission indicates the prices charged are far above cost production. As to coal the fact that profits are 200 to 300 per cent of the cost at the mine price is indicated. The same reason for high charges is given—"We can get it." The appointment of a director of priority of transportation has resulted in an order for prior shipments of coal in northwest sections. This is to be followed by the appointment of a coal administrator who will fix prices and direct distribution.

The food administration, under management of Herbert C. Hoover, is one step nearer fixing a stable price on sugar, as the result of a conference with representatives of the New York Sugar and Copper exchange. Indications are that a price may be agreed upon to 2 cents below that now prevailing. Farmers of the middle north states have assured government officials that they can bring about in 1918 the 28 per cent increase in winter wheat and rye crops assigned to them though there is difficulty because of shortage of labor, poor seed and lack of phosphates.

FIXING PRICES ON SUGAR.

Representatives of the New York Exchange Confer with Hoover.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Representatives of the New York Coffee and Sugar exchange conferred with Herbert Hoover the food administrator, Monday on the stabilization of sugar prices in the United States. Beet sugar producers also saw Mr. Hoover and discussed the prices at which the 100,000 tons of beet sugar to be produced between now and the end of the year shall be marketed. The prices contemplated range from \$6.75 to \$7.50 a hundred, or from one to one and a half cents under present quotations. No settlement was reached.

Arrangements were completed by the council of national defense Monday for the purchase of 100,000 tons of sugar for the army and navy at a price to be fixed by the food administration. At the market price the order will total from \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

The food administration hopes to accomplish a proper distribution and a price reduction through a voluntary arrangement with producers and dealers.

GIVEN A WEEK.

Chery and Bernfeld May Wind Up Their Affairs.

New York, Aug. 22.—Dr. A. S. Bernfeld and Louis I. Chery, the two members of exemption board No. 99, under sentence of two years in the federal penitentiary following their pleas of guilty to accepting bribes for granting exemptions to men liable under the selective draft law, will be allowed a week to wind up their business affairs before being taken to the prison at Atlanta.

Meanwhile the men will be confined in the Tombs. Chery will leave a prosperous drug business while Bernfeld has enjoyed a rather large medical practice. Both men lost their professional licenses by their pleas of guilty.

When the trial of Kalman Gruber, an alleged "go-between" in this case, was resumed here yesterday in the United States district court it was expected the case would be completed and in the hands of the jury by noon.

LISTEN, SENATOR GORE.

Fellow Citizens Telegraph Legislator a Bit of Advice.

Hugo, Okla., Aug. 22.—Aroused over Senator Thomas P. Gore's attempt to force an amendment to the appropriation bill prohibiting use of funds in waging war outside of United States territory, 40 citizens of Hugo and Choctaw county demanded yesterday that Gore resign. The demand took the form of a telegram dispatch to Gore at Washington.

Young Gould to Waive Exemption.

Toms River, N. J., Aug. 22.—George J. Gould, Jr., a brother of Knigdon Gould, will join the national army. Married, and said to be without any income except what he earns, he will not claim exemption.

Young Gould, accompanied by his bride of six weeks, arrived here early yesterday to take the physical examination. Knigdon Gould claimed exemption recently, when called, but did not file the necessary affidavit and was certified for service.

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FINDS POISON IN MONTANA BEANS

Tons of Them Which Had Been Shipped Into State Condemned By the Health Board.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 22.—Burma beans, found on analysis by the state laboratory at Bozeman to contain poison, were ordered destroyed yesterday by the state board of health. Tons of the beans had been shipped into this state and sold to innocent dealers, according to the authorities.

ANOTHER AMERICAN UNIT TO THE FRENCH FRONT

Field Ambulance 72 Joins Other Yankee Contingents—Wounded Workers Recovering.

Paris, Aug. 22.—A new section of the American field ambulance, No. 72, left for the front yesterday under command of P. Westbrook of Ogdensburg, N. Y.

LOAN OF \$50,000,000 MADE TO GREAT BRITAIN

This Brings the Total Advanced to the Allies to Date of \$1,966,400,000.

Washington, Aug. 22.—A loan of \$50,000,000 was made yesterday by the government to Great Britain. This brings the total advanced to the allies up to \$1,966,400,000.

PRICES UNWARRANTED.

The Federal Trade Commission Reports on Book Paper.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 22.—Advances in the prices of book paper last year were unwarranted, the federal trade commission reported today to the Senate. As a result of its investigation, the commission has ordered proceedings against certain practices of manufacturers.

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DEMANDS DRAFT UPON WEALTH

LaFollette Wants the Rich Taxed to Pay for the War

SETS WAR COST AT FORTY BILLIONS

Says Excess Profits and Big Incomes Should Bear the Burdens

Washington, Aug. 22.—Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin spoke several hours in the Senate yesterday in support of his demand that the wealthy classes of the country be made to bear a larger share of the war's burdens.

Leaders in the Senate are being made rather nervous by the growing fight in favor of higher levies on excess profits and private incomes, and fears were expressed in the cloak room that the insurgent elements on both sides of the Senate might become strong enough to compel a complete revision of the revenue measure.

Condemning the policy of paying a large proportion of the war's expenditures out of bond issues, Senator LaFollette shouted: "Morgan came to town. The press urged, the administration recommended and Congress authorized the issuance of five billions of dollars of non-taxable government bonds and two billions in interest bearing treasury notes."

Contending that bulk of the expenses could well be taken out of the excess profits of corporations and the incomes of private individuals, Senator LaFollette read into the record a list of millionaires, headed by John D. Rockefeller and Andrew Carnegie, whose incomes, he charged, are in excess of \$2,000,000 a year.

The Wisconsin senator, whose boom as the pacifist and pro-German candidate for president is to be launched at the "peace" convention to be held at Minneapolis next month, referred briefly to his ideas on peace.

After picturing the cataclysm of destruction through which the world is passing, with thrones tottering and governments clamoring for war while the people pleaded for peace, he added: "When our own government is raising by draft a million men taken from civil life, eighty-five out of every hundred of whom are protesting against being forced into the army, I admit, senators, that this is no time to adopt a weak, halting and unjustifiable policy for the conduct of the war."

Sporting Notes.

Walter Traverser, the Braves' catcher, has gone to his home in Lafayette, Ind., where he will appear before the exemption board. He will claim exemption on the grounds that he has a mother and sister dependent upon him.

Monday's contest between Boston and St. Louis, which St. Louis won by the tally of 7 to 6, was certainly a weird affair. Thirty-one players got into the batting order in one way or another, 17 Braves and 14 Cards being the batting list. Hits were frequent, St. Louis having 14 and Boston 11 to their credit.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Yesterday's Results.

At Chicago—Chicago 2, Boston 0.
At Detroit—New York 3, Detroit 1.
At Cleveland—Cleveland 16, Philadelphia 3.
At St. Louis—Washington-St. Louis, rain.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	74	45	.622
Boston	66	46	.590
Cleveland	65	56	.537
Detroit	60	57	.513
New York	55	58	.487
Washington	53	60	.469
Philadelphia	42	69	.379
St. Louis	45	72	.385

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Yesterday's Results.

At Philadelphia—(First game) Philadelphia 6, Chicago 0; (second game) Chicago 4, Philadelphia 2.
At New York—Cincinnati 7, New York 5.
At Boston—St. Louis 1, Boston 0 (called end of sixth).
At Brooklyn—Pittsburg 3, Brooklyn 3 (called on account of darkness at end of 13th).

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	70	39	.642
Philadelphia	59	48	.551
St. Louis	61	54	.530
Cincinnati	63	57	.525
Chicago	60	56	.517
Brooklyn	53	58	.477
Boston	46	60	.434
Pittsburg	36	76	.321

SEE PORK CHOPS IN LOCAL MARKETS AT 50C. A POUND

Chicago Dealers Watch the Upward Drive of Prices

REAL DANGER OF MEAT FAMINE

Unless the Farmers Find It More Profitable to Feed Stock

Chicago, Aug. 22.—Pork chops soon will be 50 cents a pound retail. Ham and bacon will be even higher. Meats generally is going up. Herbert Hoover's fear of a world meat famine is not overestimated.

These were the conclusions drawn yesterday by Robert Miller, president of the Chicago Retail Grocers' association, from Hoover's report on meat conditions.

Danger of a meat famine has been known to Chicago retail meat dealers for some time.

"There is but one remedy," Miller continued. "Uncle Sam must devise some regulation that will make it more profitable for the farmer to feed his grain to cattle than to sell it. As long as the farmer can get \$2 for corn on a quick sale he is not going to feed it to cattle and wait for the same profit."

"Shrinkage in the supply of corned cattle and good beef become more alarming daily."

The rapid rise in wholesale hog prices is boosting the retail price of pork proportionately, retailers said. Pork loin that sold for 32 cents Saturday yesterday was 35½ cents. A 50-cent advance in hogs on the hoof over last week's prices was held to be responsible for this.

The wholesale price of hogs Aug. 1 was \$6 higher than a year ago and twice as high as on Aug. 1, 1914. Hogs were selling yesterday nearly \$4 higher than on Aug. 1 this year, selling close to \$20 a hundred pounds.

Bacon that retailed for 30 and 35 cents last week yesterday was 35 to 40 cents a pound. Ham was selling at 45 cents yesterday on a corresponding rise.

WOULD PREVENT STRIKE.

Secretary Wilson Goes South to Meet Miners.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Secretary of Labor Wilson left for Birmingham, Ala., yesterday, where he will endeavor to prevent a state-wide strike of 25,000 coal miners.

The miners were going to stop work Monday when the secretary wired them he would start south to act as conciliator.

To Prevent Waste of Paper.

Boston, Aug. 21.—Steps to prevent unnecessary waste of wrapping paper in stores and to stop the use of misleading labels supposedly designating the legal weight of bread were taken yesterday by Henry B. Endicott, state food administrator. Following a conference with two leading wholesale grocers, Mr. Endicott wrote a letter to be forwarded to every grocer in New England urging economy in the use of wrapping paper.

Steps along the same line will be taken to interest department stores, druggists, and in fact, every handler of goods sold over the counter.

HOGS AT \$20 A HUNDRED.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—Hogs sold for \$20 a hundred pounds here yesterday, 50 cents higher than Monday's price. Pigs were 75 cents higher. In East St. Louis, Ill., hogs sold at \$19.85, with a prospective top of \$20 yesterday. Pigs were up, with a top of \$18.50.

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Invades Sections in Kentucky and Tennessee Hitherto Exempt.

IN LOCAL MARKETS

Dressed Pork Touches New High Mark of 20 Cents

FRESH EGGS AND BUTTER ARE FIRM

New Potatoes Bring \$1.00 a Bushel in the Local Market

Barre, Vt., Aug. 22, 1917.

Dressed pork touches a new high mark. Fresh eggs and butter are firm. Wholesale quotations:

Dressed pork—19@20c.
Veals—17@18c.
Fowls—25@26c.
Broilers—28@30c.
Fresh eggs—40c.
Butter—Creamery 41@42c, dairy 40c.
New potatoes—Per bushel, \$1.00.

RICKER'S MARKET REPORTS

Best Beef and Hogs Higher, with All Receipts Selling Well.

St. Johnsbury, Aug. 22.—At W. A. Ricker's market, best beef is a shade better, canners are one cent lower, drinker calves are lower. Veal and good milkers sell well, and hogs are one-half cent higher. Receipts for the week ending Aug. 21 included:

Poultry—500 lbs., 12@15c.
Lamb—25, 4@10c.
Hogs—730, 15@16c.
Cattle—120, 3@8c.
Calves—850, 4@12c.
Milk cows—75, \$80@\$110.

IN BOSTON MARKETS

Butter Prints Bring 45@45½—Fancy Henney Eggs, 60c.

Boston, Aug. 22.—Jobbing quotations: Butter—Fancy northern creamery 45½@46, boxes 44½@45c, prints 45@45½c, fancy western creamery 42½@43c, good to choice creamery 41½@42½c, fair to good 36@36½c, renovated butter 29@30½c, ladies, unsalted, 45½@46c.

Cheese—New York twins, fancy 25@25½c, fair to good 23½@24½c, Young America 26@27c.

Eggs—Fancy nearby henney 60c, choice eastern 50@53c, fresh western extras 45@46c, prime firsts 42@43c, firsts 42@43c, firsts 39@40c.

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Wyborg, Ky., Aug. 22.—The men at the plant of the United States Coal company have joined the strike now general in Kentucky and Tennessee. This section has heretofore been free of mine troubles.

DAYLIGHT BANDITS MAKE \$10,000 HAUL

Use Blackjack on Clerk in Boston Pawnshop and Steal Watches and Diamonds From the Safe.

Boston, Aug. 22.—Jewelry valued at approximately \$10,000 was stolen yesterday from the pawnshop of Saul Robinson on Tremont street by four men who felled the lone clerk and rifled the open safe. The thieves escaped. Israel Brest was unconscious after the assault upon him and was taken to a hospital.

Brest, who is 23 years old and lives at 65 Lawrence avenue, Roxbury, was alone in the store when a man whose face was deeply lined entered and pawned a ring, for which he was given \$5. He gave the name of George Tall, and an address on Warrenton street. As Brest passed him the money two other men, one of whom was a Hebrew and the other an Italian, entered. One offered a \$1 watch in pawn and some conversation ensued, in which the first man joined. Suddenly all three produced revolvers with which they menaced Brest. He tried to escape through a rear door in the office, but was struck over the head with a blackjack and stunned, suffering a long gash in his scalp which was treated at the City hospital.

Brest regained his senses in time to see a fourth man enter, also carrying a revolver. The bandits tied Brest's arms and legs with rope and gagged him with a towel. They then rifled the safe. All the men were young, and the one who pawned the ring has been in the shop before, probably to obtain an idea of the interior arrangements. The police learned that all the men have been seen in the vicinity in an automobile several times of late, and it is possible that they escaped in the machine to Providence or New York. They chose a time when that part of the city was deserted. In leaving the pawnshop they went one at a time. Brest furnished good descriptions of all four.

GOVERNMENT TO AVERT STRIKE

Will Pay Demanded Increase to Keep the Work Going in Shipyards.

Washington, Aug. 22.—A nationwide strike in steel shipyards working on government contracts will be prevented by wage increases paid by the government. In his first clash with organized labor on war work, Uncle Sam will recognize the claim that increased cost of living warrants a higher wage scale.

This developed yesterday from the difficulties into which the requisitioning of ship construction enmeshed the shipping board. Shipyard owners whose contracts have been taken over by the government refused to make new wage agreements with the International Metal Trades union until the shipping board approves the increased wage scales.

The final decision is to be left to a special commission of three members—one appointed by President Wilson, one by President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor and the third member to be appointed by the shipping board.

BRITISH LOSSES 14,243.

Total Casualties Reported in Last Seven Days.

London, Aug. 22.—British casualties reported in the week ended yesterday total 14,243 officers and men. Of this number 2,873 soldiers lost their lives. The detailed figures follow. Killed and died of wounds: Officers, 325; men, 2,548; total, 2,873. Wounded and missing: Officers, 846; men, 10,524; total, 11,370. Total casualties, 14,243.

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Paris, Aug. 22.—William G. Sharp, the American ambassador, called on President Poincare Monday to present his felicitations on the occasion of M. Poincare's fete day. President Poincare in reply asked Mr. Sharp to transmit to President Wilson his warmest wishes for him and the United States.

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