

THE COST OF LIVING

Meat and Other Prices Coming Down

Lower Prices All Over the Country—Packers Say the Drop Will Go Further But Retail Dealers Expect Reaction.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, Ill., Nov. 17—A bumper corn crop and unusually heavy receipts of cattle and pork at the stock yards are given by Chicago dealers as the causes of the general decline of foodstuffs over the country.

A decline in prices at the stock yards was followed by a reduction of fresh meats and staples.

Commission men here predicted lower prices still on everything except eggs, which, they say, are high and going higher.

The following shows some of the reductions here in the last week:

Table with 3 columns: Item, This Week, Last Week. Includes Sugar, Flour, Pork, Lamb, Chicken, Beef.

The decline since October 1 is from 50 to 75 cents on cattle in the bulk, and the market in general is 50 cents lower than it was a week ago.

"The prices of the first grades of beef have been falling for about a week," said Frank A. Froehling, "They did not go off all at once, but the packing houses have been coming down about half a cent at a time until now the price of prime beef is between 4 and 5 cents lower than it was last week at this time, and that of the best grades of pork is from 2 to 3 cents lower.

"This applies, of course, to the fine roast beef and steaks, for the ordinary quality has not fallen off and I do not think it will."

Big Corn Jump—Cheap Pork.

New York, Nov. 17—Reports from various parts of the country indicating a fall in the price of meats are reflected by similar reports from local dealers. They say the decline has already begun, the wholesale price of beef having gone off on an average of three-quarters of a cent in the last week.

One of the leading dealers said that sirloin steak that had brought 24 cents a pound was now selling at 22 cents. Porterhouse steak, he said, was down 3 cents a pound, selling now at 25 cents, whereas it had brought 28 cents.

Fresh pork products, however, show the greatest drop, the market dealers selling cut for roasting at 18 cents a pound that have within a short time been bringing 22 cents. Lard is down 2 cents a pound, the price yesterday being 18 cents.

The best grades of ham and bacon, on the contrary, show hardly any change. This is accounted for by the length of time it takes in curing. The dealers say that the stocks of cured meats are very light and it will naturally be some time before the increased production of hogs offsets this condition.

The market men attribute the relief from high prices to the enormous corn crop and the consequent low price of the cereal. Low prices of feed, combined with the past high prices of pork, they say, have resulted, as was expected, in an increased raising of hogs.

Not Optimistic in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Nov. 17—While the retail prices of meats are 1 and 2 cents a pound lower in Philadelphia compared with last week's figures, dealers are optimistic and are laying in large supplies at the lower prices in the expectation that they will shoot up again.

Lamb chops are 5 cents a pound cheaper than last week, but 2 cents higher than last Monday.

Other food products show no change except dressed poultry, eggs and potatoes, which are firmer.

Has Reached Consumers in Capital.

Washington, Nov. 17—The reduction of the price of meats reported in various parts of the country has struck Washington. Wholesale dealers stated today that prices of meats were taking a tumble, with the indications of sympathetic relief for the housewife along other lines of food supplies, if the retailer only passes the glad tidings along.

In the wholesale district it was said that the price of beef had been reduced between 4 and 5 cents a pound by the packers. At the same time the price of pork had gone down about 3 cents. Hope was held out that mutton and veal and other products of the packing houses will follow in the downward movement, so evident in the prices of beef. Of veal it is said that it can suffer quite a decrease and still be expensive eating.

Knees Became Stiff

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Retailers in Washington have not heard of the decrease officially, except as to the price of pork. Beef was selling today as high as ever in the retail shops.

Hasn't Hit Pittsburg Yet.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 17—Beyond a drop of 10 cents a hundredweight in hogs only hopes are held out regarding the prices of meats in this city.

There is practically no change in the retail market, however, except for eggs, which are higher than for weeks, with promise of their still soaring. The generally reported good condition of the live stock market has led local butchers to concede that lower prices are a possibility.

Turkeys 18 Cents in Cleveland.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 17—Declines in all meat prices were reported on the live stock market today. In the past three weeks hogs have dropped \$1.50 per hundred. Cattle, veal calves, sheep and lambs also have declined, although not so markedly.

Retail prices have lowered correspondingly, with the exception of bacon, which is slightly higher. Pork chops are 3 or 4 cents cheaper on the pound, ham, steaks and roasts are 2 cents lower and mutton shows a slight decline.

Poultry is cheaper, chicken prices being 2 cents less on the pound. Turkeys are selling at 17 and 18 cents a pound, with prospects of a plentiful Thanksgiving supply and lower prices.

Butter and egg prices correspond with those of a year ago.

Sirloin Steak at 12 1/2 c a Pound.

Cincinnati, Nov. 17—Meat prices here have dropped sharply in the last few days, bacon leading with a decline of 5 cents a pound.

Other pork products are cheaper and live hogs are selling at \$1.25 a hundred less than the price quoted a few days ago. Cattle and sheep and their products show similar decline and the housewife can get sirloin steak for 12 1/2 cents a pound.

Coffee, potatoes and eggs, however, are steadily going higher, while butter and cheese are as high as last year.

Cheaper Living in Toledo.

Toledo, O., Nov. 17—Food products in Toledo average from 10 to 18 percent lower than at this time last year.

Potatoes are 8 cents lower, vegetables 10 to 18 cents lower, and poultry about 10 percent off. Beef and pork are about the same.

Eggs are selling at 28 cents, as against 31 cents last year, and butter is steady at 32 cents.

More Reductions Expected.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 17—A reduction of 1-cent a pound in the retail price of lard and of from 1 to 2 cents a pound in the retail price of the cheaper grades of beef was announced here today.

"You may look for cheaper prices in all kinds of meat soon," a leading dealer said. "Fancy beef will be the next to come down."

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RECORD FOR ECONOMY.

House Members in Washington Believe Expenses Will be Kept Down.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Nov. 17—Members who have arrived for the winter believe the house will make a record for economy this session. They base this statement on the understanding that there will be no rivers and harbors nor omnibus public building appropriation bills this session. The war department, of course, will recommend appropriations for a number of important surveys but the amount asked will be comparatively small, in matters of the public buildings bill, it is understood the treasury will confine its recommendations to buildings now under way and for the purchase of sites authorized by the last session.

No matter how it disgusts a woman for her husband to chew tobacco she can't help admiring him for being able to do such a hard thing.

THE MANN WILL CASE.

To be Heard in Tyrrel County Court. Two Youthful Brides.

(Special to The Times.) Elizabeth City, Nov. 17—A large delegation of Hyde county citizens passed through the city today en route to Columbia, where they will attend the fall term of Tyrrel county superior court, which is in session this week. These gentlemen are the witnesses in the John A. Mann will case, of Hyde county.

This suit grew out of the contest over the will of the late John A. Mann, a wealthy farmer and extensive land-owner of Hyde county, and it involves property worth more than a hundred thousand dollars. T. C. Mann is the plaintiff and John M. Mann is the defendant.

The case was tried at a recent term of Hyde county superior court and the jury awarded a verdict setting aside the will, and the judge, who tried the case, set aside the verdict and removed the case to Tyrrel county for a final trial. There is an able array of lawyers on each side and the case will be vigorously fought.

Marriage licenses were secured yesterday for two very youthful brides. Eddie J. Stanley applied for a marriage license to wed Miss Elizabeth Luton, both residents of Weaverville, this county. The bride's age was given at 16. The groom had the written consent of the parents. They were united in marriage in the register of deeds' office, J. C. Spence officiated.

Lemuel Luke secured a marriage license to wed Miss Susie A. Brickhouse, both residents of this city. The bride's age was recorded as being 17 years old. They were united in marriage last night in the register of deeds' office, Mr. Spence officiated.

One of the most important social events of the season is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Mary Sawyer of this city to Roy B. Welsh of Oxford, the marriage to be solemnized on the 23d instant.

Miss Sawyer is the cultured daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sawyer, and is the sister of J. Heywood Sawyer, one of the most prominent attorneys in the state, and also a sister of Judge Ernest Sawyer of the corporation court. She is a social leader and is very popular.

NOT MUCH LOWER.

Chicago Butchers Do Little For the Consumer in Price Reduction.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, Nov. 17—Despite the announcements of the packers that the wholesale price of meats had gone down from 3 to 5 cents, Chicago butchers did little for the consumer in the way of actual reductions. In fact, prices quoted today were about the same as those of a week or more ago, when the top was said to have been reached.

Canvasses to ascertain whether prices had been reduced or not, proved that they had not and to add to the consumers' burden, the coal dealers announced that hard coal has risen 25 cents a ton.

Meanwhile, the butchers are challenging the packers, they declare the packers are trying to "put one across" about the reduced cost of living. They say: "If we can be assured by the packers, not in newspaper interviews, but in black and white, that they will reduce the price of meats to a certain amount and keep them reduced for, say three months, we will be glad to make corresponding reductions."

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING.

Mass Meeting of Sunday Schools Will be Held in Anson.

(Special to The Times.) Wadesboro, Nov. 17—Mass meeting of the Sunday schools of all denominations in Anson county will be held on Sunday November the 27th.

The purpose of the meeting will be the consideration of the advisability of an organization of Sunday school workers without regard to denomination or affiliation under the auspices of the State Sunday School Convention.

Three sessions will be held at the Wadesboro Methodist church, one in the morning at eleven o'clock, one in the afternoon at three and one at night.

Addresses will be delivered by Mr. T. B. Eldridge of Raleigh and Mr. J. Vann Carter, of Greensboro.

Invitations have been sent to every Sunday school in the county and the delegates to the meeting will be entertained in the Wadesboro homes.

APPORTIONMENT BILL.

To be Taken Up by the House Soon After Congress Meets.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Nov. 17—One of the first important measures to receive the attention of the house early next month is the apportionment bill, which is to be taken up by the census committee soon after the house meets, December 5. The census bureau has been requested by Representative Crumpacker, chairman of the census committee, to complete the issuance of enumeration returns so that the house may have ample time to perfect the apportionment bill.

There is a desire on the part of a majority of the house to keep the membership within 400, if possible, but the figures of state population thus far made public indicate that the membership of the house in the 63rd

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