

**GOVERNMENT ISSUES
A POTATO REPORT**

Bureau of Crop Estimates Gives Report on Estimates Received Under Date of September Fifteenth.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The bureau of Crop Estimates has made public the following report on the potato crop, based on conditions existing on September 15, and indicate any change that has occurred since the September 1 report. The next quantitative estimate will be issued the first part of October.

Maine. Aroostook has a good crop, though it has lacked some rain. Digging began earlier than usual and the crop is moving rapidly, over 1,500 cars already have been shipped compared with about 300 at this date last year. Some rot, due mainly to heating and continued wet weather, has resulted, but is expected to cease as soon as cool dry weather comes. No change in yields. Only a fair crop in other counties.

New Hampshire. Coos county has a light crop, with no change since September 1.

Other New England States. Considerable rot is the general report; and it will doubtless destroy a considerable part of the crop.

New York. In the Northern counties there has been an improvement due to good rains. The same is true in Steuben county in the Southern part of the state and in Rensselaer county, East of the Hudson. The absence of frost will also help to increase the yield. Rot, however, continues on Long Island and prospects there have declined since last month. There is also some rot in other counties in the Southeastern part of the state and in some near the center of the state. In the state as a whole the gains about counter-balanced the losses.

Ohio. Reports of September 15 from the more important potato producing counties indicate that, due to timely rains and seasonable weather, the commercial late potato crop has improved since September 1 to an extent varying from "slightly better" in section of Huron and Medina counties to a "25 per cent gain" in parts of Ashtabula County.

Michigan. The potato prospect has declined rapidly during the past 15 days in every part of the state. Showers have occurred but were insufficient in amount and were of only temporary benefit, so that the ground is now even drier than before. Some sections report a very light setting of tubers, others a more plentiful setting but very small in size, and the only possibility of a crop would be the immediate advent of soaking rains followed by at least two or three weeks of warm weather without frost. The damage from frost so far has been confined to very small areas on low grounds, but light and leafhoppers are doing much injury in some sections, otherwise the vines are generally green and reasonably thrifty.

One shipper in Presque Isle county reports actual tests on grading the crop as follows: No. 1, 20 per cent; No. 2, 40 per cent; culls, 40 per cent. The best authorities estimate for the different sections from less than 50 to 70 per cent of a crop, with an average around 60 per cent for the entire commercial potato area of the state.

Wisconsin. The commercial potato prospects on September 15 in the central heavy producing sections of the state have been improved somewhat over the first of September, due to beneficial rains which fell during the middle of last week. There is a slight decline in the Northern sections due to the fact that in some localities, excess rainfall resulted in some potatoes rotting in the ground.

Elsewhere in the state, conditions are unchanged.

Minnesota. Condition of commercial crop of potatoes shows practically no change from September 1.

There has been no frost so crop has matured. Some reports show slight decrease due to blight while others show increase due to lack of frost. The general impression is that there has been no decided variation since September 1.

North Dakota. North Dakota commercial potato condition slightly lower. The Upper Red River section and few other Northern counties same as September 1 condition. Yields in remainder of state not quite up to earlier expectations.

Nebraska. The condition of the Nebraska commercial potato crop was slightly over 50 per cent of normal September 1. There has been very little if any change in condition to date, as the slight deterioration of the dry land crop has been counter-balanced by some improvement in the irrigated sections.

South Dakota. There has not been much change in this crop from September 1 to 15. There are many small potatoes which did not attain their full growth because of the dry weather, and later conditions did not improve this factor. The result is that the crop will be rather short, running from three to four potatoes in a hill with a number of small ones, but the quality is good. Only in a few sections, noticeably the regions of White and Bruce in Brookings county, will there be any surplus worthy of mention.

Iowa. Commercial potato crop prospects in Mitchell county September 15 were the same as September 1; same other counties. In Mitchell county 50 per cent harvested, quality 90 per cent. Farmers are reported selling freely. About 50 per cent cars shipped this year as compared to last year.

Colorado. In the Greeley District the crop is in bad shape, due to shortage of moisture at planting time and all through the season so far as both rain and irrigation water were concerned. The result was poor stands in the first place, and later more or less abandonment of acreage planted, and around 25 per cent less acreage planted. Estimates range as low as 25 per cent of last year's crop. The above applies to the real commercial acreage near Greeley. The small acreage under irrigation in the Platte Valley in Morgan, Logan, and Sedgwick counties is slightly better. The plains or a dry land acreage is in poor condition, largely a failure. There will probably be little or none for shipment, and it is doubted of this section will raise enough for home consumption this season.

In general other districts are in fairly good shape but smaller acreage with the exception of the San Luis Valley which has increased its acreage considerably, and besides has one of the best potato crops it has enjoyed. Conditions are considered as fine as could well be expected.

About 1,100 cars of potatoes have already been marketed from the state this season. This is considered a heavy early shipment. Here again the San Luis Valley is in the lead

even though the early potato crop is a new deal for this section.

Idaho. Idaho potatoes have improved slightly, especially the Twin Falls district on account of rains and cooler weather. Early yields are 60 to 60 per cent of last year, maturing earlier and many cars are already rolling.

Washington. The late potato district of Washington shows little change. There is a slight setting of tubers in the Eastern non-irrigated district but the important Yakima area is holding up to September 1 reports.

Oregon. Late planted potatoes are about one-third of the total acreage of the state and the late crop prospects have improved 30 per cent, as a result of September rain.

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