

POTATOES ARE THE THINGS THAT CLIMB

Price Goes Up 75 Per Cent During Last Twelve Months, With Beans Close Behind.

SOME MEATS ARE LOWER

Washington, Nov. 29.—Retail prices of foods in the United States as a whole advanced 3 per cent from September 15 to October 15, making a 16 per cent increase for twelve months, as shown in reports compiled today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The figures came from 725 retail dealers in forty-five principal industrial cities.

In the thirty days covered in the reports, meats declined in price from 1 to 6 per cent, but all other articles given, except tea, coffee and rice, advanced from 1 per cent for hens to 6 per cent for butter, bread and sugar and 11 per cent for eggs.

Relative price changes for a number of articles during the month, putting the average 1915 prices at 100 per cent, are given as follows:

Decrease:	Pot. Butter	11
Beef	10	
Round	9	
Rib roast	8	
Chuck roast	7	
Plate boiling beef	6	
Pork chops	5	
Ham, no change	4	
Onions	3	
Beans	2	
Smoked bacon	1	
Lard	1	
Eggs	1	

Tables giving price increases for twelve months show potatoes lead all foods with an increase of 75 per cent and beans next with 55 per cent. There were no price reductions, but coffee, tea and rice remained stationary. Some of the year's price advances are given as follows:

Increase:	Pot.	75
Beans	55	
Wheat	15	
Flour	10	
Barley	10	
Oats	10	
Apples	10	
Oranges	10	
Lemons	10	
Tea	10	
Coffee	10	
Rice	10	

Physical Valuation Of Union Pacific About Completed

Washington, Nov. 29.—Congress will be asked for another \$3,500,000 appropriation for physical valuation of interstate railroads, with a view to completion of all field operations in three years from next January and windup of all the work a year later, Charles A. Froudy, director of physical valuation, announced today. Mr. Froudy said the total cost will be kept within the original estimate of \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000.

Valuation experts are at work in various parts of the country. Field work has been completed on the Union Pacific lines west of Salt Lake City. So far reports have been made on less than five roads, all lesser importance. Valuations of the big transcontinental lines will be delayed until the Interstate Commerce commission, of which the valuation service is a part, passes upon questions relating to overhead charges, allowances for contingency, interest during construction work, what constitutes reasonable prices and other elements of value. When these are determined, the reports will be expedited, each road being allowed thirty days to make protest and present arguments before final valuation. No hearings are likely before the end of January.

Held to District Court On Charge Of Reckless Driving

Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 29.—(Special.)—Glen McMullen of the Crab Orchard neighborhood, charged with reckless driving of a touring car on the highway the night of August 2, last, when his car collided with a Ford driven by Mrs. Harry Dean, seriously injuring her and her sister, Mrs. Rudolph Schwartz, and three others in the McMullen auto, was given his preliminary hearing yesterday before Judge Ellis. The defendant was bound over to district court in the sum of \$300, which he furnished.

Four suits for wages were filed in Justice Ellis' court against Robert Atterbury, proprietor of the circus wintering at the driving park. Claude Lawson sues for \$132; J. G. Fink for \$90; G. J. Clippinger for \$24, and W. H. Baker for \$108. The plaintiffs allege they have been in Atterbury's employ and have received only a part of their weekly wages.

The Odell Corn and Poultry show is being held at that place this week and large crowds are attending daily. There is a fine display of corn and birds.

The funeral services of Dena, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidt of the Pickrell vicinity, killed by an automobile while returning from school Monday afternoon, will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the German Lutheran church northeast of the city.

Fairbury News Notes. Fairbury, Neb., Nov. 29.—(Special.)—A unique departure in holding the "safety first" meetings of the Rock Island occurred today, when this meeting was held in the Fairbury Commercial club rooms, instead of the Rock Island freight house. The Commercial club invited the Rock Island employees to use the club rooms hereafter.

Lewis Brown has returned from a trip to Topeka, and resumed work as engineer on the local runs on the Fairbury-Horton district. The Jefferson County Live Stock association is taking steps to secure land in or about Fairbury for a permanent home and erect buildings. Wilt Brothers of Delaware, Okl., have leased the Conrad building and are equipping it as a moving picture theater.

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The Empty Chair



RED CROSS ASKED TO STOP WORK IN SERBIA

Request to United States from Austria-Hungary is Cause of Surprise.

RELIEF GREATLY NEEDED

Washington, Nov. 29.—Austria-Hungary has asked the American Red Cross to discontinue relief work in Belgrade and in other parts of northern Serbia conquered by the Teutonic forces, when supplies now on hand have been distributed. The suggestion reached here today through Ambassador Penfield at Vienna. The Austrian government expressed its deepest gratitude to the Red Cross for what has been done and gave no reason for asking its discontinuance.

Red Cross officials here, surprised at the request, say the work practically is at a standstill because of the impossibility of securing supplies since Roumania entered the war. The work will necessarily cease about December 1. Nearly \$75,000 has been contributed to that section from this country, while 100 carloads of supplies from Roumanian relief committees and eighty from Swiss committees have been distributed by the American agents. Edward Stuart, assisted by Charles Fox, has cared for about 36,000 people in Belgrade. Dr. Edward Ryan has endeavored to reach about 100,000 in the interior. American relief in southern Serbia now is thrown into greater importance by Austria's request and especially by the advance of the allied armies about Monastir. Reports from that city say 200,000 people are in distress, as the retreating armies of the central powers are said to have stripped the city bare of food and supplies. Shipments are being prepared for that section.

New Postmaster Named. Washington, Nov. 29.—(Special.)—Telegraph Joseph F. Purdie has been appointed postmaster at Kramer, Lancaster county, Nebraska, vice W. F. Wollage, resigned.

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TIGHTEN GRIP ON ROUMANIAN ARMIES

Resistance Weakens as Teutonic Forces Push Along with Their Rapid Drive.

BATTLE AROUND MONASTIR

London, Nov. 29.—The situation of the Roumanian armies defending Bucharest appears increasingly critical. Only to the northwest of the capital do the Roumanian lines seem to be holding at all firmly and even here the capture of Curtea de Arges, on the Argenchu river, although that point is eighty miles distant from Bucharest, seems to indicate a weakening of the Roumanian resistance in this direction. On the southwest the peril is imminent with the enveloping movement of the central powers placing their forces within forty miles of the capital.

News dispatches have reported the Roumanian government and diplomatic officials leaving Bucharest for Jassy, 200 miles northeast of the capital, near the Russian frontier. The rapid progress made by General von Falkenhayn's armies moving east in Roumania, of course has been largely made possible by the operation of the Danube forces under Field Marshal von Mackensen.

It still remains to be developed whether the process of flanking the Roumanians out of their positions is to be continued by other crossings of the Danube still further east. The southern bank of the river is held by the central powers to a point beyond Tchernavoda. That the retreat of the Roumanians toward the nearer defenses of Bucharest is already under way and is a precipitate one, is indicated by today's German official statement, which announces a disorderly retirement of the Roumanian forces along the entire Wallachian front.

Russians Take Offensive.

Possibly as a diversion in aid of the Roumanians, the Russians have taken the offensive near Kirlibaba, on the Golden Bistritza, in the Carpathians, northwest of the Roumanian frontier. Attacks here, Petrograd reports, netted them the ridges of heights east and south of Kirlibaba and the capture of more than 700 prisoners.

Berlin says the Russian attacks, delivered at many points along the Carpathian and western Moldavian front, resulted only in local successes, which were paid for dearly. With the exception of the Roumanian front, none is more active at present than the Macedonian. Whatever may have been the result of heavy fighting there, regarding which German and entente accounts disagree, the allied armies do not appear to have slackened the force of their offensive in the Monastir region.

Four Men Rob Hazelton State Bank and Escape

Hazelton, Kan., Nov. 29.—Entering the Hazelton State bank early today, four bandits blew the safe and escaped with \$12,000. The robbers, after securing the money, went to the telephone office and took the two men night operators out of town with them in an automobile to prevent the giving of an alarm.

COAST DEFENSE AND FLEET SUBMARINES

Contracts Awarded for Construction of Large Number of Undersea Vessels.

TWO YEARS TO CONSTRUCT

Washington, Nov. 29.—Secretary Daniels awarded contracts today for more than \$65,000,000 worth of new fighting ships for the navy, including four battleships at \$11,000,000 each; two fleet submarines at approximately \$1,190,000 each, and twenty-seven coast submarines at from \$994,000 each.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Secretary Daniels today awarded contracts for twenty-seven coast defense and two 800-ton fleet submarines. Eighteen coast defense submarines went to the Electric Boat company at \$697,000 each; six to the Lake Torpedo Boat company at \$694,000; three to the California Ship Building company on lake designs at \$698,000. One fleet submarine went to the Electric Boat company at \$1,189,000 and the other to the Lake company at \$1,195,000.

Some minor modifications remain to be fixed, but the Navy department has insisted upon certain features of construction. All the bids are close to the limit.

Kruttchnitt to Relief of Railroads

San Francisco, Nov. 29.—Julius Kruttchnitt, chairman of the executive committee of the board of directors of the Southern Pacific railroad, who is here today from New York, asserted that the railroads not only were unable to offer any help in the high cost of food situation, but were themselves suffering from high prices.

vances for all of the materials they use, yet, in fact of these increases the price of the commodity which the railroads have to sell has been reduced.

The railroads are making every effort to relieve the car shortage situation, but their efforts are hampered by the congestion in manufacturing shops and rolling mills. They are endeavoring to ease the tension, increasing the rapidity of the circulation of their equipment.

The American Railway association has appointed a conference on car efficiency and issued an order to all roads having an excess of boxcars to rush them back to roads that were suffering from a deficiency. The effect of these steps should be felt within the next week or fifteen days.

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which progress has also been made by the French. Transports Reported Sunk. Berlin, Nov. 29.—(By Wireless to Sayville.)—Two large Russian transports bound from Helsingfors for Revel, were sunk in the latter part of October as the result, it is believed, of striking a mine, says a dispatch from Stockholm to the Overseas News agency. The transports, it is said, had the entire 428th Russian regiment on board. This regiment, it is said, had been on duty for some time in Finland.

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