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PRICES OF SUGAR BOOSTED IN SPITE STOCKS ON HAND

Omaha Dealer Declares Speculators Are Holding Supplies to Force Housewives to Pay Fancy Figures.

ASK PROBE BY CONGRESS

More Sugar in Warehouses Than for Two Years at This Season, Says Broker.

EXPORTS NOT TO BLAME

With more raw sugar in stock in the United States April 4, 1917, than there was at the corresponding date for the two preceding years, and though these raws cost very little more than a year ago, the price of refined sugar has been boosted \$1.75 per hundred pounds above the price a year ago.

These and other salient facts in the sugar situation were brought to the attention of Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska by Omaha brokers following a survey of the whole situation. Senator Norris is urged to cause a congressional investigation of the sugar situation.

Get More Than Expected.

Attention of the senator is called to the fact that the beet sugar manufacturers stored their sugar last October with the expectation of marketing it at from \$4.50 to \$5 per hundred pounds. In spite of this they are now demanding \$8.53 per hundred, wholesale, for the sugar in storage.

The New York Coffee and Sugar exchange for the week ending April 7 gives the official quotations for raw sugar, Cuban centrals, 96 degrees test:

April 21, 1917	8.46
April 14	6.46
April 7	6.52
April 1	6.52

Last year during the corresponding dates the price was \$6.14.

Rise Is on Refined Sugar.

Standard granulated sugar for the above mentioned dates was quoted at \$8.50, while standard granulated last year for the corresponding dates was \$7.25.

Thus, while the cost of raws is not over 6 per cent higher than last year, the refined sugar is 17 to 20 per cent higher than last year.

More on Hand Now.

The tonnage of stocks of raw sugar in the United States April 4 this year and the two preceding years was as follows:

Year	1917	1916	1915
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311,340 tons 120,405 tons 270,079 tons

"These sugars," the letter to Senator Norris reads, "were obtained by the trust at prices ranging from \$4.50 to \$5.96. There can be no excuse on the grounds of the great demand for export."

No Sugar to Great Britain.

The Royal Sugar commission of Great Britain in its last decree restricted the importation of sugar, and as a result its importation has actually decreased during the last four months 68,000 tons below the quantity imported during the same four months last year. This same condition is true with reference to France. If ever there was a case of an unjustified increase and positive robbery by the sugar kings; if ever there was such an open and flagrant violation of all laws and of principles that are conducive to the public welfare without the slightest regard for the law of supply and demand, the present sugar market is such a case.

The Weather

For Nebraska—Rain, sleet, rain or snow in portion.

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.	Wind
10 a. m.	38	W, 10
11 a. m.	38	W, 10
12 m.	38	W, 10
1 p. m.	38	W, 10
2 p. m.	38	W, 10
3 p. m.	38	W, 10
4 p. m.	38	W, 10
5 p. m.	38	W, 10
6 p. m.	38	W, 10
7 p. m.	38	W, 10
8 p. m.	38	W, 10
9 p. m.	38	W, 10

Comparative Local Records.

Month	1917	1916	1915
High temperature	42	51	73
Low temperature	21	46	25
Normal temperature	42	46	49
Normal precipitation	12	12	12
Excess for the day	11	11	11
Total snow since March 1	57	57	57
Total snow since March 1	12	12	12
Total rainfall since March 1	3.34	3.34	3.34
Deficiency for year, period, 1916, 1.83 inches			
Deficiency for year, period, 1915, 1.41 inches			

Reports From Stations at 2 p. m.

Station and State	Temp.	High	Low	Wind
Omaha, Neb.	38	42	24	W, 10
Lincoln, Neb.	38	42	24	W, 10
Des Moines, Ia.	38	42	24	W, 10
Sioux Falls, S. D.	38	42	24	W, 10
Yankton, S. D.	38	42	24	W, 10
Sioux City, Ia.	38	42	24	W, 10
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