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A WHEAT QUOTA IN GREAT BRITAIN

What is at present under discussion in the U. K. is a quota for wheat produced in the U.K.

At this stage no plan is being considered for quotas for Overseas British or foreign wheats, but it is suggested that these may be considered at the next Imperial Conference.

The British Government is proposing that millers in the U. K. be required to use in their grist a certain proportion of domestic wheat, which is tentatively fixed at 15 per cent.

As purchase of domestic wheat of good milling quality will thus be compulsory, it is expected and intended that British farmers will not only have an assured market but can command a price above the competitive world level. The government will, however, fix a maximum beyond which the price cannot go.

The method under consideration is that millers desiring imported wheat must produce certificates to the Customs showing the amount of homegrown wheat they are using before they can clear imported wheat, which they will then be allowed to take out of bond up to the proportion of 85 per cent imported to 15 per cent domestic used.

The announcement of policy by Sir J. Gilmour in the House of Commons on December 3 was as follows:

"The Government has decided to apply the principle of a quota to home produced wheat and to introduce legislation in time to enable a scheme to become effective for next year's crop.

"The scheme will be designed to secure for producers a certain market and enable them to obtain an enhanced price subject to a statutory maximum for wheat of milling quality.

"No contribution from the Exchequer by way of subsidy will be involved and it is not intended to encourage the extension of the cultivation of wheat to land unsuitable for that purpose"

It is not quite clear from information made public whether the quota percentage will be calculated on the basis of total consumption of wheat and flour in the U.K., including imported flour as well as imported wheat, or whether flour imports will be disregarded in figuring the percentages.

Average yearly quantities of wheat and of flour produced, imported and exported during the last 5 years, 1926-27 to 1930-31 are as follows,-

1.	Wheat	produced in U.K.,	5 year Average	49,710,000	
2.	Wheat	imports "		+/190/05000	
3.	Flour	imports " (5	.950.000 bbls.)	26,773,000	11
		imports, wheat and		224,669,000	- 11
				274,379,000	
		supplies (1 plus 4			
6-	Wheat	and flour exports	(mainly flour)	12,872,000	

(3) case the percentages would be 15, 70 and 15. The figures in bushels would be:-On the 55% basis, wheat only, Empire countries 128,050,000 bus. Foreign countries 69,846,000 " On the 70% basis, wheat only, Empire countries 162,973,000 bus. Foreign countries 34,923,000 " This would leave the import flour market of the U.K. open to unrestricted competition. If the quota was applied to combined wheat and flour imports the quantities would be: -On 55% basis, (wheat & flour) Empire Countries 145,374,000 bus.

"Foreign Countries 79,295,000" On 70% basis, (wheat & flour) Empire countries 185,021,000 " " Foreign countries 39,648,000 " How would the Empire Countries share? Would the British millers be left free to buy in any proportion they chose from Empire countries so long as the aggregate was the required percentage, or would a definite share be allotted to each surplus-producing Empire country? If the latter, on what basis would the share be determined? The Hon. Mr. Thomas has intimated that a definite guid pro quo might reasonably be asked. If the division is to be by bargaining, there is, of course, no way of estimating beforehand what the shares might be. It may be of interest, however, to examine the relative capacities of Empire countries to supply the aggregate quota. Three British countries must be taken into the account - Canada, Australia and India. Exportable surpluses are the simplest measures of capacity. CANADA. For the 5 years, 1926-27 to 1930-31 inclusive Canada's exports of wheat and flour averaged Making allowance for the excess carry-over accumulated under the special conditions of the past two or three years, Canada's average exportable surplus for the period may be figured at about 305,000,000 AUSTRALIA has not accumulated an excessive carry-over and has had average exports of wheat and flour of 101,254,000 INDIA, although occasionally a net importing country, cannot be left out of the account, because every year, and even in deficioncy years, it exports some wheat, if not flour, to the United Kingdom. In the last five years its crops have been below average but taking a 20 year period India's net exports have averaged On the basis of actual exports, as above, and not taking account of Canada's excess carry-over, the relative capacities of these three ...

countries would stand in the ratios of Canada 70.7, Australia 24.3 and India 5. Dividing the total Empire quota in these proportions we have: On the 55% basis, wheat only, Canada's share 90,500,000 bus. Australia's " 31,100,000 " India's " 6,400,000 " On the 55% basis wheat & flour Canada's share 102,700,000 " Australia's " 35,300,000 " India's " 7,200,000 " On the 70% basis, wheat only Canada's share 115,200,000 " Australia's " 35,300,000 " India's " 8,100,000 " On the 70% basis, wheat & flour Canada's share 130,800,000 " 45,000,000 " Australia's " India's " 9,200,000 " In Relation to Canada's Surplus During the past 5 years Canada could have supplied the entire British import requirements of wheat and flour, 224,669,000 bus., without assistance from any other country, and yet have had an average surplus of 80,000,000 bus., for which markets elsewhere must be found. This surplus is larger than Canada's total exports were in any year prior to 1912. Canada's share on the 55% basis, wheat and flour, would give an outlet for only 33.6% of her surplus and leave her 202,000,000 bus. to find markets for elsewhere. Even if a 70% basis were considered for wheat and flour, Canada would be left with 175,000,000 bus. or 57% of her surplus to sell to other countries. It is not possible to make an accurate comparison of these quantities with Canada's average shipments to the U.K. in the past. Because of the way the Customs returns of Canada and Great Britain are made up, it is impossible to tell what actually is the wheat and flour trade between them. It is probable, however, that prior to the summer of 1929, at which -time British millers began deliberately to reduce the proportion of Canadian wheat in their grist because they thought an attempt was being made to hold them up in price, the normal average of our exports of wheat and flour to the U.K. was between 90,000,000 and 100,000,000 bus. per year. On the 55 per cent quota basis, therefore, Canada would quality for little, if any greater share of the market than she has in the past commanded in fair competition on quality. Australia's share of the British market would, of course, represent the same percentage of her surplus as is the case with Canada. since both sets of figures are worked out on the same percentage basis.

How about Foreign Countries?

On the 55 per cent basis, foreign countries would have 30 per cent of the market, or 79,000,000 bus. of wheat and flour, and on the 70 per cent basis only one-half that quantity.

Argentina's average exports of wheat and flour to the United Kingdom in the last 5 years have been 46,396,000 bus. per year. It is impossible to tell accurately how much the U.K. has imported from the United States, again because of the way returns are made up, but it is probably considerably smaller than the Argentine quantities. Russia last year supplied the U.K. with 48,000,000 bus., but this is exceptional and far beyond the pre-war average, and in the past the Balkan States and many minor shippers have done some trade with that market.

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THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO. MONTREAL December 17th, 1931. While Dr. Swanson was in the East for the recent conference at McGill University, we took the opportunity of preparing for the Counsel Club of Montreal, a short study of some of the economic factors in production and consumption of wheat. It occurs to me that you might be interested in this and I am enclosing a copy. Yours very truly, P.C. limstrong Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., Principal and Vice-Chancellor, McGill University, Montreal, Que.

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ECONOMIC DATA ON THE PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF WHEAT

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Introduction

Interest in the economics of wheat production and distribution has been at a high point in Canada during the unfortunate experiences of the past two years. Much of what has been said and written on the subject appears to be based on incomplete information on this very complex subject. The authors of the following notes submit them, not so much as a complete study of the subject—as that would require many volumes—but as an outline of certain facts which should be kept in mind by those who wish to study this-the major economic activity of Canada.

If, and when present stresses cure themselves, and we return to more placid times, one of the advantages which we shall have won will, it is to be hoped, be greater public interest in and wider study of this great Canadian

industry.

Definition of "Crop Year"

The accompanying tables show world acreage and production of wheat, for the period including the crop years from 1909/10 to 1913/14, and for the crop years 1929/30, 1930/31, and 1931/32. The "crop year" includes the harvest which begins in the spring, in the winter wheat areas of the Northern Hemisphere, continues during the summer and the fall, and is completed in the early part of the following year in the Southern Hemisphere. Wheat harvested in 1931, for example, in the Northern Hemisphere, is taken into the harvest year of 1931/32, as is also wheat harvested in the early part of 1932 in the Southern Hemisphere from sowings made in 1931. On the other hand, wheat sown in the fall of 1931 in the Northern Hemisphere for harvesting in the summer of 1932, belongs in the crop year 1932/33.

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The figures given omit, unless definitely specified otherwise, three final ciphers, and represent thousands of acres and bushels.

Lack of Precise Statistics

It is essential to note that world wheat statistics are not, and never have been, precise. The figures used are, in general, those of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture. Other similar series of figures can be extracted from the publications of the International Institute of Agriculture, of G. J. S. Broomhall, and of other statistical services. Minor divergences will occur in comparing figures of various authorities, but there will be fair agreement on the whole.

Recent Trend of Production

Complete figures are not available for world wheat acreage and production. A fair estimate is that increase has taken place about as follows :-

1909/10 to 1913/14 1928/29 1929/30 1930/31 World acreage 204,200 World production 3,038,000 246,900 3,982,000 246,900 3,498,000 3,778,000

Approximately Equivalent to Population Growth

Total increase in acreage for the 1930/31 crop year over the prewar period is therefore about 22.5 per cent. This is believed to be approximately the same as the concurrent increase in the world's population.

Trend of Rye Production

The acreage of rye-which is the most important direct substitute for wheat as human food-has dropped, as for the same dates, from 47,108 to 44,665, and production from 998,003 to 800,711 thousands of bushels.

On the whole the increase in acreage and production of bread grains does not seem to have outrun population increase.

Dietary Trends

Dietary trends affect consumption, but it is impossible to trace them accurately. We are of the opinion that there is a tendency for consumption of cereals to increase in times of low purchasing power, and to decrease when people are in a better position to spend freelyeither from genuine economic betterment, or from other and less basic causes. For example, while figures are not available to bear out this theory in detail, we incline to believe that the definite attempt of many countries to maintain artificially high standards of living-as reflected in the "boom" of 1924-28-led to a tendency to substitute other, and more expensive, foodstuffs for bread grain, and that the collapse of the "boom" produced a return to increased per capita consumption of bread grains.

Need of Caution in using Statistics

We wish to lay stress on the necessity for extreme caution in making deductions from statistics of wheat production and consumption, and on this point, instance three pitfalls for the unwary—the varying types and qualities of wheat; the variation in effect on world trade in wheat of fluctuations in production in different countries; and the great variation in per capita consumption of wheat in different countries.

Types of Wheat

In the matter of type, to take but a few instances, it would be unwise to regard an increase or decrease of production in Australia as affecting the market for Western Canadian wheat exactly as similar fluctuations in production in the Argentine Republic. Australian wheat is a soft white grain, and cannot be used everywhere and at all times to replace the hard red grain of Western Canada, while Argentine grain competes very closely with ours. Similarly, the major part of the wheat production of the United States is winter grain; in turn, this is divided into three main types—ordinary soft wheat, comparable with the winter wheat of Ontario; Pacific white winter wheat, comparable with Australian grain; and the hard red winter wheat of Western Kansas and Nebraska. In addition, in the Dakotas and Montana, there is grown a hard spring wheat closely resembling Western Canadian grain. It is obvious that the figures for the total production of wheat in the United States in any year will not, by simple comparison with the figures for another year, indicate the true effect of United States competition for foreign markets. In the present season, for example, with a total United States crop of almost record size, there is a definite shortage of types of wheat similar to our hard spring grain, and at the moment the Chicago futures market does not reflect the true price of of this type of wheat, for which a large premium is being paid. On the other hand, it is equally mistaken to believe that this question of type imposes rigid regulation on the use of wheat. Within limits, one type can and will be substituted for another if the difference in price becomes sufficiently great.

Considerations of Quality

In the case of quality, similar conditions appear. Wet or dry seasons, early or late coming of frosts, disease of plants, even minor changes of weather during harvest, will affect the availability of wheat for various uses. It is believed that in the present season France must import more wheat than the figures of the domestic production would indicate, as a result of serious deterioration in quality. It is alleged that the current Russian crop has suffered seriously in quality during harvesting and postharvest handling. As in the case of types, price and general economic conditions will limit the effect of quality on the use of wheat. A country which might, in normal economic circumstances, import wheat to improve the flour produced from a low grade crop, may try to avoid this purchase if in difficult circumstances.

Differing Effect of Variations in Production in Various Areas.

The effect on world trade of fluctuations in production in various countries differs. Spain, for example, reports a crop this season considerably smaller than last season, but the report is accompanied by the comment that the deficiency will be made up from reserves. Spain normally does not export wheat when production is above immediate requirements, and only imports in any quantity when very real shortage exists. On the other hand, Argentina, for example, grows wheat specifically for export, and any alteration in the Argentine production will directly increase or decrease the wheat readily available for international commerce. Or, to take another case, Germany and France both produce a considerable proportion of their requirements of wheat, and import the balance. Yet alterations in the production in the two countries require to be weighed differently. Rye is, in Germany, the main bread grain crop, and wheat far less important, while French rye production is insignificant as compared with wheat. Thus increase or decrease in French domestic

production of wheat is directly significant in its bearing on French import requirements, while in the case of Germany consideration must be given to the rye situation in assessing the effect of alteration in the production of domestic wheat on the market for imported grain. Even in a single country the effect of variations in domestic production on the international trade in grain may depend on the district in which the variations occur. Recently a rumour that Russia had purchased two cargoes of Australian wheat was interpreted as proving that Russian supplies were insufficient for domestic needs. The cargoes in question were to be shipped to Vladivostok, and when it is remembered that transcontinental communication in Russia is limited to a single railway, it will be seen that the alleged incident might readily be exaggerated in importance as an indication of wheat conditions in the Ukraine, whence most of the Russian wheat

Per Capita Consumption in Various Countries

With regard to the question of per capita consumption of wheat in various countries there is much misconception of facts, and misunderstanding of implications. Mr. J. G. S. Broomhall, in the annual editions of his excellent "Corn Trade Year Book", gives the annual per capita consumption of wheat in various countries, ranging from .9 bushels in Japan—he does not list China, for which dependable statistics are lacking - to 7.5 bushels in France. To appreciate the complete reasons for this great variation it is necessary to make a very thorough survey of the agricultural customs, the dietary habits, and the general economic condition of the countries to be considered. It would be impossible to accomplish this in anything less than a series of large volumes, but we may be able to give a few illustrative remarks which will at least indicate the complexity of the question. In Japan, for example, we find a combination of reasons for the low per capita use of wheat in the facts that rice is the main domestic grain crop and that the general standard of living is low. India, which uses 1.0 bushel per capita, is affected by the same general conditions. Poland, which uses 1.3 bushels per capita, produces and consumes rye as the chief bread grain. Rumania, with a per capita consumption of 4.2 bushels, probably has a dietetic standard similar to that of Poland Germany, with a per capita wheat use of 2.5 bushels, uses more rye than wheat, but more of all bread grainsprobably—than an either Poland or Rumania, as a result of a generally higher standard of living. France, with a a standard of living generally similar to that of Germany, uses 7.5 bushels of wheat per capita because of a very small use of rye. Across the Channel Great Britain uses 5.7 bushels per capita, and little or no other bread grains. Yet the standard of living in Great Britain is—in the matter of the average dietetic indulgence of the peoplecertainly no lower than in France. Great Britain consumes more meat, cheese, butter and other animal food per capita than does France. Similarly, the United States, with 4.8 bushels consumption per capita. and Canada, with 4.5, are users of wheat almost entirely as bread grain, and have still higher dietetic standards than Great Britain—the explanation lying in their still greater variation of diet. In this complex situation it is necessary to use the greatest care in making deductions from calculations based on assumed per capita consumption. A country with large production of potatoes may, if unable to buy wheat cheaply, turn to the tubers quite readily; another country may be unable to do this, and may be forced to purchase wheat or go in want of food. It has been common recently to hear it suggested that we might decide how much wheat Russia would have for export by dividing the population into the wheat

crop, assuming a per capita consumption equal, say, to that of Canada, and regarding any surplus above this as exportable. That is unsafe reasoning, and it would be necessary to have very full information on all agricultural production in Russia, and on actual present dietetic standards, to be able to use this method of ascertaining probable exports.

Visible Supply and "Carry-over"

We have already noted the impossibility of obtaining full and accurate statistics of production and consumption. It may be well to point out the lack of information as to existing world stocks at any moment. Much attention has been given recently to figures showing a tendency to an increase in world visible supplies of wheat, and in the "carry-over" at the eud of the crop year. Mr. Broomhall furnishes the following table of figures showing world visible supply of wheat as at January 1st in recent years: (thousands of bushels, including flour reduced to equivalent quantities of wheat):

1921	217,049	1925	308,790	1929	490,670
1922	238,393	1926	280,380	1930	539,530
1923	285,488	1927	297,610	1931	523,240
1924	319,800	1928	359,000		

Much attention has been concentrated on the great increase in these figures in recent years. Mr. Broomhall heads his tabulation "An account of the visible Supply of Wheat and Flour in second hands in the U.S.A. and Canada, in the chief ports of the U.K., on the ocean, and in Argentina." This means that figures of world visible supply-which in some cases include stocks in Australia and in some European ports-are necessarilly very incomplete as a means of taking stock of the true position of the international wheat market at any time. They do not include, to take one item, stocks of wheat in farmers' hands. In the case of Canada, the United States, Argentina and Australia, this is not very important, as crop statistics for those countries are generally of fair accuracy, and domestic consumption fairly constaut. In the case of Europe, however, the domestic erop-which amounts, omitting Russia, to nearly 1,500 million bushels-is not handled as is the crop of the great exporting countries. Wheat in Europe may lie for a year or more in stacks before it is threshed; after threshing it may be stored in the farmer's granary for a long time before sale; after sale it will not be in a "country elevator", or at a great terminal point, but in the storage bins of some small grain merchant, or of a small grist mill. In consequence it is impossible to say with any approach to exactitude how much of this great part of the world's crop of wheat has been consumed, and how much remains. Yet the wheat stocks of Europe will define the demand for wheat from the great exporting countries just as the stocks in those countries will define the available supply. In the circumstances it is impossible to regard alterations in the world visible supply as final evidence of any alteration in the relation of supply to demand. To take a case, world visible supply was near record heights in the summer of 1931, but at the same time observers, from necessarily partial and incomplete investigation, reported domestic stocks in some important European countries at a record low level before the new crop was harvested. As far as these observations were correct, they tended to impair the conclusion arrived at from consideration of the world visible supply figures. The figures of the "carry-over" in chief exporting countries are equally dubious in value as a means of determining world trends. Major H. G. L. Strange, of the Searle Grain Company, Winnipeg, has

published a very interesting compilation of "carry-over" at the end of various crop years in the chief exporting countries, which we copy:

Estimates of carry-overs.

(On hand by exporting countries in millions of bushels.)

Year	A	В	C	D
1925	277	139	_	84
1926	279	146	_	135
1927	340	181	251	150
1928	433	227	309	185
1929	616	370	536	322
1930	589	411	468	331
1931	659	462	546	413
1932	475	-	360	_

A-U.S.A. Bureau of Agricultural Economics: July 1.

B-Broomhall : August 1.

C-International Institute, Rome : August 1.

D-Bradstreet's: August 15.

The variations between the figures of the different authorities result chiefly from the variation between the dates of the various annual stock-takings.

It is impossible to deduce from these figures any positive conclusion that the world's "carry-over" of wheat was altering in this way, for we are entirely without statistical evidence as to the "carry-over" in Europe at the same dates. There has unquestionably been a visible trend in the direction of increase of stocks of wheat in exporting countries in recent years, but we have not the data to permit us to decide if this has represented a tendency to the accumulation of a surplus, or merely an increase in the "carry-over" of the exporting countries with a concomitant decrease in the "carry-over" in Europe. This fact should be borne in mind in all attempts to decide the trend of world wheat production and consumption.

Effect of Climatic Factor on Production

Before any attempt is made to express opinions on world wheat production and consumption trends, careful study should be made of the effect of climatic conditions on world production. Wheat is grown in all parts of the world, and under a great variety of climatic conditions. The world yield is therefore less affected by climatic variations than the yield of any one country or area, but it still varies very greatly. The following figures (necessarily estimates, but of considerable validity) will illustrate this:

Crop years	Average	world	yield per	acre
Av. 1909/10 to	1913/14		bushels	
" 1921/22 "	1925/26	14.63		
1928/29		16.15	"	
1929/30		14.17	"	
1930/31		15.10	"	

World yield per acre will vary, from the climatic factor alone, by as much as two bushels per acre as between two successive years. This variation, applied to a world acreage of perhaps 300 million, would alter total world production 600 million bushels. In individual countries the fluctuation is even more marked of course. In Canada, for example, average yield per acre has varied as follows in a decade:

Year	Yield per acre in bushels
1921	13.0
1922	17.8
1923	21.7
1924	11.9

Year	Yield per acre in bushe
1925	19.0
1926	17.8
1927	21.4
1928	23.5
1929	12.1
1930	16.0

In the circumstances it is unwise to make assumptions concerning probable crops in any country, or in the world at large from the experience of any one year, or of less than a decade. Experienced observers did not accept what seemed to be a general assumption that because Russia had largely increased her acreage in 1931 over 1930 that the Russian surplus for export would automatically be increased by an amount equal to the increase of acreage multiplied by the 1930 average yield per acre. The 1930 yield per acre was unquestionably much higher than the Russian average, and the chances were that the 1931 crop would not be as good. It might have been even better, of course, but the information available leads us to believe that the total Russian production in 1931 has been less than in the previous year, despite the increase in acreage. There is reason to expect that the variation in world yield per acre due to the climatic factor will tend to increase. The marked increase in world acreage in the past decade appears to be, very largely, on land of such type, and of such average precipitation as to make its annual production very irregular. (The acreage expansion of recent years in the Canadian West has been, on the whole, not subject to this danger but on land of good type and in a good precipitation belt.) In the future we shall probably be less than ever able to make safe forecasts of world wheat production from acreage figures alone.

The Price of Wheat

All discussion of wheat as an economic subject must end in some consideration of price. The ability of the producer to purchase goods and services is dependent, not on the total volume of his wheat output, but on the amount of money which he will receive for it, and the value of that money in terms of prices of commodities and services. It is generally realized that this "exchange value" of our production of wheat in western Canada has fallen very greatly during the past two years, partly owing to crop failure, but even more to a fall in world wheat prices unprecedented in recent times for its severity. In consequence public interest is very keenly fixed on the possibility of recovery of wheat prices. It is of course generally realized that there has been a severe drop in the price of many of the goods and services which the wheat producer purchases, but not in every case to an extent which leaves the "exchange value '' of wheat undisturbed, while there has, of course, been no general reduction of mortgages, current debts and similar obligations. On the whole, public opinion seems to incline to the belief that a restoration of wheat prices to higher levels is a necessary preliminary to a restoration of general prosperity. When wheat prices first began the long downward course which has only recently been checked, there was a very general inclination to assume that this must result solely from a surplus of wheat above ordinary requirements. As other primary commodities followed the same course it became clear that the problem could not be regarded as so simple, and that general financial and economic stresses were involved. The truth of this has become increasingly apparent. There is to-day a large body of opinion favourable to the theory which we have maintained for the past two years—that no true surplus of wheat has

els ever existed; but prices on world markets do not seem to reflect this condition. As it is impossible to attempt here a complete study of the situation, we have annexed, a chart of wheat prices prepared by Major H. G. L. Strange from figures published by Mr. G. J. S. Broom-This extraordinary record of fluctuations will bear close examination. It may be said in a general way that it illustrates very forcibly a fact which should be ever present in the mind of the student of wheat economics—the inevitable connection between the price of this staple foodstuff and all the economic affairs of man-We offer it in explanation of our statement that it is impossible to make forecasts of wheat prices based solely on the statistical position of world supply and demand. Nothing can be more unwise than "ex cathedra" statements that we shall never see dollar wheat, or, for that matter, two or three dollar wheat again. The course of wheat prices will be determined by an infinitely complex system of forces and cannot, by any process with which we are familiar, be forecast.

The Present Situation.

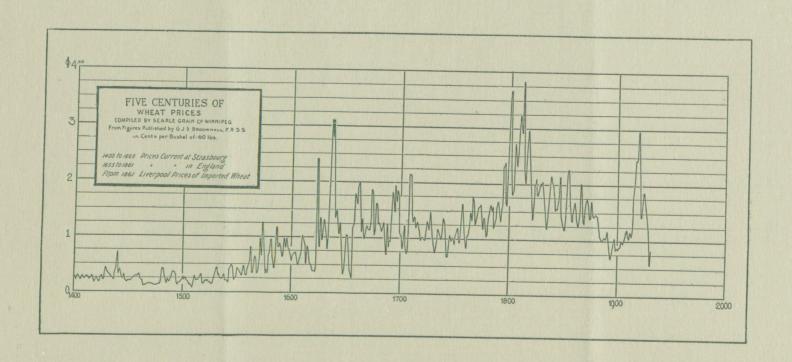
Now what is the general situation of the world supply of and demand for wheat at the present moment? We have sketched only a few of the major difficulties in the way of the prophet in this field, and might add many more. We believe that only an approximation to the full truth can be reached from what information is available, and put that approximation in these words: we have reason to believe that the world crop of 1930/ 31 was the greatest, or at least the second greatest on record. At the end of that crop year the world visible supply had somewhat diminished, and informed comment suggested that the invisible supply had lessened appreciably. The world crop of 1931/32 is not yet completely garnered, but figures of reasonable validity suggest that it will be more than 200 million bushels less than that of the previous season. The world crop of rye-the most directly available substitute for wheatis apparently over 150 million bushels less than in the previous year. No reason exists for belief that any great increase has occurred in other possible substitutes for wheat in the world diet. The first sowings of wheat for the crop year 1932/33 have been made. In the United States sowings are decreased from about 42 million to 36 million acres of winter wheat, and have been made under more unfavourable conditions than in the previous season. Russian reports—as far as they are reliable indicate some shrinkage in winter wheat sowings in that country, and there are no indications of any important expansion in sight elsewhere. On the whole the statistical position seems favourable and certainly should put an end to fears of overproduction. World trade in wheat is unquestionably hampered by unfavourable general economic and financial conditions, but correction of these must be assumed if we are to assume the stability of civilized society. There are indications of a definite shortage of the higher grades of hard wheat.

The Outlook in Canada.

From all this we deduce that there is no reason for alarm in Canada on the special point of our position as a wheat producing country. General economic and financial conditions are disturbed, abroad many important problems seem to await solution, with no definite indications as yet that their solution is known. The course of wheat prices will depend on these extraneous factors, but there is every reason to feel complete confidence in the recovery of the wheat market as far as that has been affected by conditions special to itself. It is not necessary to be alarmed over wheat.

WORLD WHEAT POSITION

Importing Countries in Europe and the Mediterranean:	AVERAGE ACREAGE 1909/10 to 1913/14	AVERAGE PRODUCTION 1909/10 to 1913/14	ACREAGE 1929/1930	PRODUCTION 1929/1930	ACREAGE 1929/1930	PRODUCTION 1929/1930	ACREAGE 1931/1932	PRODUCTION 1931/1932
Czecho-Slovakia France Germany United Kingdom Greece Italy Poland Spain Other Countries	16,500 4,029 1,787 1,134 11,793 3,343 9,547	37,879 325,664 131,274 55,770 16,273 184,393 63,675 130,446 68,934	2,023 12,673 3,955 1,330 1,249 11,794 3,526 10,622 3,889	52,902 337,252 123,062 47,451 8,502 260,125 65,862 154,245 91,578	1,975 12,990 4,402 1,346 1,191 11,896 4,066 11,134 4,193	50,606 231,119 139,217 39,954 12,493 210,071 82,322 146,699 99,324	1,978 12,493 5,355 1,197 1,359 12,063 4,012 10,872 4,319	38,323 269,623 155,534 35,952 12,236 247,944 75,691 130,806 92,792
Exporting Countries in Europe and the Mediterranean:	53,185	1014,308	51,061	1140,979	53,193	1011,805	53,648	1058,901
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