SUMMARY OF STORAGE HOLDINGS ON FEBRUARY 1, 1918

The monthly report of the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture shows storage holdings of dairy products and eggs on February 1, 1918, as follows:

CREAM BUTTER
The 375 storages that reported showed total stocks of 24,780,356 pounds. The 385 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 23,542,285 pounds compared with 23,473,709 pounds last year, a decrease of 22.7 per cent. The 353 storages that reported for both January 1 and February 1, 1917, showed a decrease of 20,941,708 pounds or 48.5 per cent, while the 280 storages reporting their holdings for both January 1 and February 1, 1917, showed a decrease of 15,132,817 pounds or 34.3 per cent.

PACKING STOCK BUTTER
The 140 storages that reported showed total stocks of 1,527,904 pounds. The 105 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 1,132,531 pounds compared with 1,662,537 pounds last year a decrease of 31.9 per cent. The 114 storages that reported for both January 1, February 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 26,650 pounds or 14.0 per cent, while the 76 storages reporting their holdings for both January 1 and February 1, 1917, showed a decrease of 167,478 pounds or 9.4 per cent.

AMERICAN CHEESE
The 464 storages that reported showed total stocks of 56,522,273 pounds. The 488 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 47,734,994 pounds compared with 28,112,656 pounds last year, an increase of 115.9 per cent. The 452 storages that reported for both January 1 and February 1, 1918, showed a decrease of 1,172,045 pounds or 16.7 per cent, while the 353 storages reporting their holdings both January 1, and February 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 10,965,546 pounds or 35.2 per cent.

CASE EGGS
The 434 storages that reported showed total stocks of 199,511 cases. The 394 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 197,256 cases compared with 145,359 cases last year, an increase of 35.7 per cent. The 486 storages that reported for both January 1 and February 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 385,430 cases, or 33.6 per cent, while the 284 storages reporting their holdings for both January 1, and February 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 754,301 cases or 33.7 per cent.

FROZEN EGGS
The 182 storages that reported showed total stocks of 12,025,069 pounds. The 216 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 9,204,220 pounds compared with 1,724,422 pounds last year, an increase of 475.5 per cent. The 161 storages that reported for both January 1 and February 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 2,316,586 pounds or 16.5 per cent, while the 118 storages reporting their holdings for both January 1 and February 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 1,036,533 pounds, or 38.0 per cent.

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