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CZECHOSLOVAKIAN AGRICULTURAL PURCHASE PROGRAM

BREAD GRAIN PURCHASES -- Rude Pravo, No 225, 25 Sep 48

Order of kraj in fulfillment of the long-range purchase plan: The figures in parentheses represent the order of the kraj on 16 September. The purchase figures from Mlada Boleslav are only as of 18 September, and from Pilsen, as of 20 September.

	Purchase of Bread Grain (of Pilsen)	Fulfillment 22 Sep (%)	Increase 17-22 Sep (%)	Increase 9-16 Sep (%)
1. (3) Hradec Kralove	3,958	63.94	8.84	6.15
2. (2) Kladno	4,364	63.80	6.99	12.31
3. (1) Prague	4,267	61.51	3.72	10.04
4. (4) Usti	1,962	56.70	4.50	12.70
5. (6) Havlickuv Brod	3,600	52.41	7.85	6.05
6. (5) Mlada Boleslav	3,827	49.96	- -	3.90
7. (7) Olomouc	3,550	48.76	4.72	5.50
8. (9) Ostrava	2,956	47.24	4.23	6.46
9. (8) Pardubice	2,581	45.30	1.63	4.47
10. (10) Brno	3,339	44.98	5.39	7.59
11. (11) Liberec	1,105	40.50	1.55	5.55
12. (13) Jihlava	2,528	39.25	4.75	4.30
13. (12) Klia	1,166	39.20	3.88	3.52

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	<u>Purchase of Bread Grain (carloads)</u>	<u>Fulfillment 22 Sep (\$)</u>	<u>Increase 17-22 Sep (\$)</u>	<u>Increase 9-16 Sep (\$)</u>
14. (14) Karlovy Vary	1,528	37.42	4.02	6.05
15. (15) Pilsen	3,440	33.72	3.55	6.05
16. (17) Ceska Budejovice	2,200	30.84	4.48	5.34
17. (16) Tabor	2,035	30.82	3.94	3.88

LONG-RANGE GRAIN PURCHASES -- Rude Pravo, No 225, 25 Sep 48

Results of the long-range bread-grain purchase plan:

<u>Area</u>	<u>Delivery (carloads)</u>	<u>Percentage of Fulfillment</u>	
		<u>22 Sep</u>	<u>16 Sep</u>
Bohemia	34,867	49.10	44.53
Moravia	10,583	46.01	40.93
Silesia	2,996	47.24	43.01
Slovakia	<u>17,501</u>	<u>76.09</u>	<u>70.95</u>
Total	65,947	53.62 <u>[812]</u>	48.85 <u>[812]</u>

BREAD-GRAIN DELIVERY -- Rude Pravo, No 223, 25 Sep 48

The farmers of the town of Hore Dvory have sent a note to President Gottwald promising to deliver the required 1,745 quintals of bread grain by 28 October 1948. Similar notes have been sent by the farmers of Hlivoty and Kutna Hora. A competition was held for grain delivery in Rakovnik Okres. The town of Petrovice fulfilled its quota 100 percent; Zavidov delivered 93.4 percent of its quota. The worst town in the district is Malinova, which by 14 September had delivered only 7.6 quintals of rye and 8.4 quintals of wheat, 2 percent of its quota.

GRAIN AND POTATO DELIVERIES -- Rude Pravo, No 222, 22 Sep 48

The farmers in Cirkvice will produce 2,507 quintals of grain by 28 October, instead of 2,279 quintals as originally planned. During the summer potato campaign, 350,000 tons of potatoes were shipped, that is, 140,000 tons more than last year. The sugar-beet crop was also good. The beet campaign will begin between 5 and 15 October, and will last until the end of November. In the kraj of Olomouc and Hradek Kralove, the shipping of beets and beet greens will be increased 40-50 percent over last year.

BREAD-GRAIN DELIVERIES -- Rude Pravo, No 224, 24 Sep 48

The farmers of the town of Uzonin in Lavičkov Brod Okres have notified President Gottwald that before 28 October they will deliver 10 quintals more than their quota of grain, that, 2,430 quintals. A similar note has been sent by the farmers of Malesov, who have promised to fulfill their quota of 2,005 quintals before 28 October.

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GRAIN AND POTATO PURCHASES -- Lidove Noviny, No 249, 23 Oct 48

According to reports sent by J. Duris, Minister of Agriculture to Prime Minister A. Zapotocky on the progress of autumn field work during the week of 11-17 October, on 16 October there had been purchased in the entire republic 84,828 carloads of bread grain (including 45,069 carloads of wheat and 39,759 carloads of rye), which is 66.27 percent of the estimate. Also, 21,711 carloads of barley were purchased, that is 70.03 percent; and 3,918 carloads of oats, that is, 39.98 percent. Thus, 110,457 carloads of grain were purchased, or 65.44 percent. The purchase of potatoes from 15 to 19 October amounted to 76,078.05 carloads, including 43,292.05 carloads of late potatoes.

GRAIN DELIVERIES IN SLOVAKIA -- Obrana Lidu No 237, 9 Oct 48

Since the beginning of purchase 29,055 carloads of grain have been delivered in Slovakia. In addition to bread grain, 9,036 carloads of barley and 1,434 carloads of oats have been purchased. The assignment in bread grain has been fulfilled 64.41 percent, and in fodder, 89.53 percent. In all, 72.19 percent of the assigned quota of grain has been purchased since the beginning.

FOOD PURCHASES IN CZECH PROVINCES -- Obrana Lidu, No 237, 9 Oct 48

The following amounts of food had been purchased as of 2 October; 36,417 carloads of wheat; 31,803 carloads of rye; 18,579 carloads of barley; and 3,078 carloads of oats; in Moravia and Silesia: 7,836 carloads of wheat; 6,998 of rye; 4,720 of barley; and 661 of oats; in Bohemia: 19,105 of wheat; 17,487 of rye; 5,762 of barley; and 1,240 of oats; in Slovakia: 9,476 of wheat; 7,308 of rye; 8,097 of barley; and 1,177 of wheat. The purchase of bread grain in the entire republic under the long-range plan has been filled 53.30 percent. By 6 October 19,290.38 carloads of potatoes had been purchased. On 6 October more than 700 carloads were purchased, including 320.25 in Bohemia, 337.60 in Moravia, and 38 in Silesia. Twelve carloads were purchased by the distilleries.

GRAIN PRODUCTION -- Obrana Lidu, No 209, 7 Sep 48

As of 3 September almost 53,000 carloads of grain had been sold by farmers for public supply, including 40,500 carloads of bread grain. This means that the quota had been about four fifths fulfilled. Grain has already been completely planted, nine tenths gathered, and almost 60 percent threshed.

HARVEST RESULTS -- Svobodne Slovo, No 208, 7 Sep 48

The Minister of Agriculture has reported to the Prime Minister that 98.1 percent of the grain had been harvested on 1 September, that is, 2,724,954 hectares out of 2,777,942; 89.4 percent had been gathered, and 57.7 percent had been threshed. In the entire republic, 22,868 carloads of wheat had been purchased; 17,807 carloads of rye; 11,058 carloads of barley; and 1,021 carloads of oats. In all, 52,754 carloads of grain, including 40,675 of bread grain, had been purchased. The aid of the agricultural brigades in harvesting is no longer required, and the labor force will be assigned to autumn work.

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PRODUCTION IN THE CZECH PROVINCES -- Prace, No 233, 5 Oct 48

According to the most recent information, 43 percent of the ground in the okreses of Bohemia has been plowed; 17 percent was planted with wheat; 29 percent with rye; and 9,881 hectares were planted with beets. In the Czech Provinces 1,479,514 hectares still remained to be plowed, and 705,092, to be planted. Under the long-term purchase plan 63,556 carloads of wheat have been purchased in Czechoslovakia (49.65 percent); 17,674 carloads of barley (57.01 percent); and 2,758 carloads of oats (28.14 percent). By 2 October, 16,588.01 carloads of potatoes had been purchased, of which 11,176 carloads were in Bohemia. Distilleries purchased 423 carloads of potatoes.

GRAIN AND POTATO DELIVERIES -- Rude Pravo, No 233, 5 Oct 48

Karlovy Vary fulfilled its delivery quota of bread grain 194 percent on 30 September; instead of the expected 443 quintals, 852 quintals were delivered. The farmers agreed to deliver 50 quintals by 28 October. Deliveries of potatoes have been fulfilled 130 percent; of milk, 121 percent. Remaining deliveries are all 100 percent. The farmers also promised to deliver by 1 May 1949, 100 hogs weighing 100 kilograms each, that is, 10,000 kilograms of meat.

BREAD-GRAIN QUOTA IN KOLIN -- Rude Pravo, No 232, 3 Oct 48

The farmers of Kolin have fulfilled their quota of bread grain (1,560 carloads) 100 percent and will exceed it by 25 percent, according to an announcement by the district committee of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia at Kolin.

GRAIN IN STRIBRO -- Rude Pravo, No 230, 1 Oct 48

The farmers of Radejovice in Stribro Okres have promised the president to fill their entire quota by 28 October. Their quota for this year is as follows: wheat, 453 quintals; barley, 96 quintals; oats, 51 quintals; beef, 11,800 kilograms; and pork, 5,300 kilograms. The farmers have also promised to deliver an average of 3 liters of milk per cow daily.

UHERCE TO FULFILL QUOTA -- Rude Pravo, No 229, 30 Sep 48

The farmers of Uherce, Stribro Okres, sent President Gottwald a telegram promising to fill their quota of agricultural produce by 28 October. Their quota for this year is as follows: wheat, 1,944 quintals; oats, 83 quintals; barley, 356 quintals; potatoes, 26 carloads; pork, 25,200 kilograms; beef, 38,846 kilograms; and eggs, 51,826 kilograms. They also promised to deliver 300 liters of milk daily.

BREAD GRAIN AT HORNÍ LUKAVICE -- Rude Pravo, No 228, 29 Sep 48

The farmers of the town of Horní Lukavice, Prestice Okres, have sent a letter to the President promising to fill their quota 100 percent by 10 October. The quota of bread grain was filled 85 percent on 25 September.

GRAIN AND POTATOES IN SLOVAKIA -- Pravda, No 237, 12 Oct 48

In Slovakia 134 carloads of grain were purchased 6 October. Since the beginning of purchase, 10,900 carloads of wheat and 7,752 carloads of rye have been acquired for public supply in Slovakia, whereby the plan for bread grain has been fulfilled 65.32 percent; 9,085 carloads of barley and 1,443 carloads of oats have been delivered, thus fulfilling the plan for fodder

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90.05 percent. The entire Slovakian plan for grain has been fulfilled 72.50 percent. On 7 October, 5,301 quintals of potatoes were purchased in Slovakia. Since 28 September, when purchasing began, 36,882 quintals of potatoes have been purchased in Slovakia.

POTATO PRODUCTION -- Rude Pravo, No 230, 1 Oct 48

By 28 September, 12,983 carloads of potatoes had been purchased. This is more than has ever been delivered by this time in previous years. This process can be facilitated by early collecting of potatoes.

POTATOES IN BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA -- Svobodne Slovo, No 206, 4 Sep 48

On 1 September, 382 carloads of half-ripe potatoes were purchased, of which 258 carloads were purchased in Bohemia, and 123 carloads in Moravia. The total amount now purchased is 18,144 carloads.

SUGAR BEET AND POTATO DELIVERIES -- Svobodne Slovo, Vol 4, No 239, 13 Oct 48

This year deliveries of potatoes and sugar beets will be twice last year's total. The best potato-producing area, the highlands of Bohemia and Moravia, and southern Bohemia, will ship 12,000 carloads of potatoes during the current season, as well as 15,000 package shipments; 3,700 carloads will be shipped to Prague. Producers have begun the delivery of 2,500 tons of potatoes directly to the consumers. The Prague Directorate of Transport will ship 420,000 tons of beets and 350,000 tons of beet tops by rail, and 160,000 tons of sugar beets and 100,000 tons of beet tops by truck.

CZECH GRAIN AND POTATO PURCHASES -- Svobodne Slovo, No 237, 10 Oct 48

By 7 October 20,035 carloads of potatoes had been purchased. A record amount of 750 carloads was purchased on 7 October. By 6 October, 29,399 carloads of grain has been purchased, including 17,342 carloads of bread grain.

DELIVERIES OF POTATOES AND LIVESTOCK -- Lidova Noviny, No 207, 21 Oct 48

By 18 October, 28,018 carloads of potatoes had been purchased: 18,540 carloads in Bohemia, 8,953 carloads in Moravia; and 740 by distilleries. In the first 10 days of October the delivery of beef cattle was fulfilled only 90.1 percent (983 head less than the quota were delivered). The plan for delivery of pigs was fulfilled 83.8 percent, 1,619 head less than the quota were delivered.

MEAT DELIVERIES -- Lidova Demokracie, No 232, 5 Oct 48

Cattle deliveries have substantially improved during the week of 20-25 September of this year, not only in Bohemia, but especially in Moravia where the figure has risen from 68 to 103 percent. The quota has been filled 108.4 percent, in contrast to 97 percent during the previous week. Delivery of pigs has exceeded the quota 16.4 percent in Bohemia, but only 0.9 percent in Moravia. In the third week of September it was 104 percent in Bohemia and only 79.8 percent in Moravia.

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DELIVERY OF FATTENED CATTLE -- Lidova Demokracie, No 227, 29 Sep 48

It is expected that the fluctuating tendency in the delivery of fattened cattle, which has been in evidence since July, will gradually disappear. In the week of 12-19 September, 97 percent of the beef quota and 94 percent of the pig quota were fulfilled in deliveries.

EGG PRODUCTION -- Svobodne Slovo, No 207, 5 Sep 48

In the first half of this year, 342,514,767 eggs were produced in the Czech Provinces thus fulfilling the plan 114.02 percent. By official count, in the middle of June there were 7,790,607 hens, which laid 105,027,399 eggs. The average number of eggs laid per hen in July was 13.2. This was almost 2 percent above last year, but substantially below the figure for May of this year.

SABOTAGE IN HAVLICKUV BROD -- Rude Pravo, No 225, 25 Sep 48

In certain towns in Havlickuv Brod district there has been a hunt for saboteurs who withhold delivery of milk and agricultural products. Egg farmers apparently are the worst offenders.

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