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The Supplying of Carbohydrates for the Home Table.

There are two well known methods of marketing. The first practiced largely by French and Mexican women, follows the system of buying each day's supplies as the occasion demands so that the store room is practically empty by night time; the second or American method is to buy all provisions possible, by the wholesale and small quantities only of the perishable articles. Either method has its advantages and disadvantages, hence every housewife who doubtless finds marketing for a large or small family no simple matter, may follow her preference with adequate results, remembering however, that the surest and most satisfactory purchases are made in person, rather than by phone. One factor which insures success in marketing is a thorough familiarity with the markets. This involves a knowledge of the lines of goods carried, its source, quality and prices. It entails also a study of foods, that one may judge independently whether a food is pure or adulterated, in or out of season, fresh or stale. While it is a point of economy to buy in season, for then are prices lowest and products usually most abundant and best, still with the vast improvements in shipping and methods of storage and preservation, almost any article may be gotten at any time of the year, regardless of season. The timidity common among shopping women in reference to asking questions of the grocer or butcher, sustained on the ground of being troublesome or

lack of time on the part of the salesman to give his attention to careful answers is unwarrented and inexcusable, for as a rule business men are helpful, painstaking and reliable, resenting not at all any practical inquiry from a faithful, interested and considerate customer.

Seldom also, do buyers, especially those of the smaller cities appreciate their opportunities for commanding the best which any market can furnish, if they are patient and persistent in their requests. As a nation is no better than its citizens, neither is a grocery establishment superior to the demands of its customers. Thus the responsibility of a well kept department, sanitary, and conducted in accordance with modern advancement rests, in large measure with the people who daily purchase their supplies from its counters. The progressive, fair minded dealer is keen to observe the justice of such demands, and the advantage in their heeding, so will gracefully meet the situation with benefit to all.

In Considering the supplying of Carbohydrates for the home table, our immediate thought is, what part do carbohydrates play as a food in the daily diet? To answer this inquiry we must first determine what is meant by the term food. According to Mr. Hutchison, food may be defined as "Anything which when taken into the body is capable either of repairing its waste or of furnishing it with material from which to produce heat or nervous

and muscular work"; by Fannie Merritt Farmer; as "Anything which nourishes the body"; by Janet McKinzie Hill as"One of the three essentials to life, which by its oxidation in the body liberates force and produces energy !! Mr. Hoy says "Food is that (liquid or solid) which satisfies the hunger and replaces the solid waste of the body, while water is that which slakes the thirst and replaces the fluid waste of the body". Another authority states; "Food is that which oes to support life by being received within and assimilated by the organisms of an animal or plant; what is eaten for nourishment"; and Webster says "Food is that substance which is capable of sustaining an organism in a state of health, and is that which makes possible the continuing existence of all forms of life both animal and vegetable. It is to the human body the means by which the waste of the system is restored, its energies made effective and a healthy condition maintained".

Although variously expressed these definitions of food are based upon the same fundamental principles. All convey the essential truth, that food, in supplying those materials necessary for the nourishment, growth, repair and fuel requirements of the body is the chief factor upon which life itself depends: The one demand upon nature common to every person, from the savage to the philosopher since the beginning of time.

The whole complex process by which food is changed from the state of lifeless substance, as it enters the

body, to a vital, active portion of a living intelligent being, is not and may never be exactly and completely understood. Beyond certain definite facts established by years of careful research and scientific experiment, we see only the outward results of this wonderful inwardly wrought change.

That the food we eat is able to nourish our bodies and become a part of our very tissues is alone due to the fact that from it the body derives materials which are required for the formation, growth and repair of its organs and tissues, whose composition embraces the same elements as those of the body, namely, carbon, hydrogen oxygen, nitrogen, calcuim, chlorine, florine, iron, magnesuim, phosphorus, potassium, silicate, sodium, and sulphur. These elements are found chemically compounded in the foods of the animal and vegetalbe kingdoms. While no one food contains all these elements, the great variety of food stuffs is due to the different proportions of elements present.

The whole realm of food stuffs consists of either organic or inorganic substances. The organic foods may be divided into the nitrogenous, or those containing a perceptible amount of nitrogen and the non-nitrogenous, containing little nitrogen. The first include the proteins, further subdivided into proteids, gelatinoids and extractives while the second includes the carbohydrates, or sugars, starches and celluloses, and the fats.

Inorganic compounds are water and mineral matter. Each of these five food principles which is found in every conceivable food, has its specific purpose and performs its special function in relation to the body nourishment.

The first mentioned, protein, characterized by its nitrogen content occupies a most important place in life processes. Although being the main constituent in the protoplasm of both the plant and animal cell, it is found most extensively in the animal kingdom. On account of its complexity in composition protein may be utilized to various ends in the body. While its chief office is to repair the waste and build body tissue a portion is appropriated to the production of heat and work.

The second class, carbohydrates, or compounds of carbon, hydrogen, and ozygen, predominate among plant foods and are found only as traces in the animal kingdom. Their chief function is to liberate heat and muscular energy, thus saving the tissues from consumption.

Fats, the third class, differ in composition from the carbohydrates only in proportion of the elements, the carbon exceeding by far that present with the same amount of oxygen in carbohydrates. For this reason they produce heat and energy which surpasses that produced by a like portion of carbohydrates both in amount and intensity. As a constituent of both animal and vegetable foods, fat is the most concentrated of all mon-nitrogenous nutrients.

Mineral matters, comprising a number of salts of which soda, potash, lime, and phosphoric acid are the most

important to the needs of the body, are found in various quantities in all natural products, though particularly in milk, meat and vegetables. Salts aid in the formation of bone, muscle and gastric juice, preserve the alkalinity of the blood and prevent certain diseases.

Water, the fifth food principle, of which about two thirds of the body, wieght is composed, is a compound of hydrogen and oxygen. It is present in all foods, but chiefly in fruits and vegetables, the amounts differing according to the structure of the article and the conditions under which it is grown. Water helps to regulate the temperature of the body and acts as a tissue former and solvent.

While both water and mineral metter have each their important functions in the body, and are therefore absolutely essential to a healthy condition, neither is capable of oxidation and hence have no fuel value.

Obviously the amount of nutriment obtainable from any variety of food stuff, for the nourishment of our bodies, depends upon its fuel value. This may be ascertained by reference to the chemical composition of the article. Since no food is capable of furnishing all the required elements in the proper proportions in order to maintain a perfect condition of health and efficiency, the daily diet must be composed of foods, whose quality and quantity balance with the actual requirements of the body.

The ability to plan and execute such combinations

is an art acquired by a thorough knowledge of household science as a whole, of normal food requirements, of food principles, of the various foods, and of their selection and care. A well supplied table, taken in the truest sense, is the result of profitably spent time and effort.

It is an established fact that a majority of the ills prevalent among humanity may be eliminated through a proper diet, wisely administered, and therefore not only the health and happiness but also the very prosperity of a nation depends upon the food eaten as surely as it does upon the home life of its citizens. Nature's important laws which govern nutrition mean far more than far more now, than formerly, since we have come to look upon health as the natural and disease the unnatural state of man, and the dawning sense that diet is largely responsible for good or ill health has its affest in directing the thought of the public mind to the real dunction of food.

The barbarous ignorance so common among the majority of persons regarding even the foods of most pequent use can be overcome through education. As the household management falls largely to the women in the homes, they and their daughters should be deeply concerned in attaining that actual knowledge which so markedly simplifies and adds interest to the commonest needs and tasks. Aside from the text books of information there are various sources from which we may draw with assured results. Artivles of real worth are published in the scientific and other periodicals, from which we may glean the most recent conclusions of the foremost thought. Also a sur-

prising amount of useful and definite knowledge may be unclosed by a careful study of food and food requirements in ones own home.

As a rule far too little attention is given to this phase of home life, consequently America, by her lack of understanding of practical economy in purchasing the necessary table foods is called an extravagant nation, lavish yet poorly fed, but the house wife who is wise in her management will regard this branch of her many duties as one demanding her keenest interest and will gladly avail herself of every opportunity to extend and broaden her knowledge. Constant and diligent investigation, resulting in positive intelligence regarding home requirements and market possibilities, brings skill and satisfaction to the purchaser, economy in time and money and comfort to the home.

The opportunities of the present for a complete and perfect study of the food products of the world and every phase of the subject between these products and life of man, exceed by far any of the past. For recognized as the broad foundation basis of our national, social, and intellectual superstructure, and as fundamental in the quality of the arts and higher industries, agriculture and food production, preparation and serving, are fast climbing to a vantage ground.

A brief survey of the more important or choice foods from the different nations, taken from "Food Products of the World" by Mary E. Green as displayed at the Worlds Columbian Exposition, may be of interest;

Country	Products	Country	Products
Spain	Choice olive oil	Prussia	.Grains
	Sardines.		Sugars
France	Mushrooms		Liquors
	Truffles	Italy	.Cereals
England	Canned meats		Sugars
	Canned fishes		Macaroni
	Condiments		Pastes
	Preserves	Eastern Countries	.Fine Coffee
Switzerland	Dairy products	Japan	.Tea
Netherlands	Dairy products	Ceylon	. Tea
Scandinavia	Dairy products	Brazil	.Chocolate
Trinidad	Liquors	Paraguay	.Chocolate
Siam	Bamboo	Tunis	Limes
	Rice		Dates
	Bananas		Olives
	Preserved fruits		
America	Varied and profu	se	
Canada	Cereals	California	Fruits
Western States.	Cereals	Texas	Meats
Middle States	Fruits	Montana	Mutton
Southern States	Fruits	Michigan	Sugar
Eastern States.	Fruits	Ohio	Syrup
New England	Vegetalbes		Vegetables
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Kansas..... Sugars

While a detailed study of all foods would doubtless be of interest and instruction, such study is here limited to the Carbohydrates, common only known as plant foods, or all vegetables, fruits and cereals. Plant foods are composed of the same food principles as animal foods, but differ from them as a class in that they are rich in carbohydrates and salts and poor in protein and fat. Plant foods are considered less easily digested than animal foods also, which fact is due to their abundance of cellulose or woody fiber.

As commonly used the terms digestion and digestibility refer to quickness of digestion or to the agreement of a given food with an individual, but in physchological usages, digestibility refers to the thoroughness with which a food is absorbed; the percentage of
nutrients retained by the body from a certain amount of
food consumed. In this treatise the meaning infered by
the latter definition is to be connected with the occurrence
of either expression.

Vegetables, usually, though not botanically speaking include all plants used for food except grains and fruits. The variety and abundance or scarcity of vegetables grown in any locality, as well as that of fruits and cereals depends upon and corresponds to the climatic conditions, the agricultural resourcefulness of the locality and the temperment and civilization of its inhabitants. Many markets are supplied by local gardens with all the more

popular vegetables, the others being brought from neighboring states or countries. The Willamette valley markets depend upon home production to a great extent, there being small demand for such articles as cannot be grown in the rich valley soil.

With the vast variety of vegetables, different portions form the edible parts, some being eaten raw, others only when cooked. Their digestibility differs with the mechanical condition and the content of cellulose. The nutritive value of vegetables lies chiefly in their large percentage of water, variety of mineral salts, and varying amounts of carbohydrate substances in composition. They can boast of little protein or fat.

By a careful study of the following table of composition and the accompaning illustrations one may gain a very correct idea as to the relative nutritive value of the different vegetables.

Average Chemical Composition of Vegetables as Purchased (Atwater)

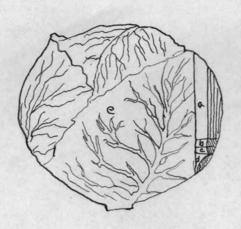
Percentage Composition.

	Refuse	Water	Protein	Fat	Carbo.	Mineral.
Asparagus		94.0	1.8	.2	3.3	.7
Artichokes		79.5	2.6	.2	16.7	1.
Beans Butter Green	50.0	29.4	4.7	.3	14.6	1.0
Beans Lima fresh	55.0	30.0	3.2	.3	9.9	.8
Beans string fresh	7.0	83.0	2.1	.3	6.9	.7

Beans dried		12.6	22.5	1.8	59/6	3.5
Beets fresh	20.0	70.0	1.3	.1	7.7	.9
Brussels sprout	ts	88.2	4.7	1.1	9.4	1.7
Cabbage fresh	15.0	77.7	1.4	.2	4.8	.9
Cauliflower		92.3	1.8	.5	4.7	.7
Carrots fresh	20.0	70.6	.9	.2	7.4	.9
Celery	20.0	75.0	.9	.1	2.6	.8
Corn green	61.0	29.4	1.2	.4	7.7	.3
Cucumbers	15.0	81.1	.7	.2	2.6	.4
Egg plant		92.9	1.2	.3	5.1	.5
Kohl-rabi		91.1	2.	.1	5.5	1.
Lentils dried		8.4	25.7	1.0	59.2	5.7
Lettuce	15.0	80.5	1.0	.2	2.5	.8
Mushrooms		88.1	3.5	.4	6.8	1.2
Okra	12.5	78.9	1.4	.2	6.5	.5
Onions fresh	10.0	78.9	1.4	.3	8.9	.5
Parsnips	20.0	66.4	1.3	.4	10.8	1.1
Peas green	45.0	40.8	3.6	.2	9.8	.6
Potatoes fresh	20.0	62.0	1.8	.1	14.7	.8
Potatoes sweet	20.0	55.2	1.4	.6	21.9	.9
Spinash		92.3	2.1	.3	3.2	2.1
Squash	50.0	44.2	.7	.2	4.5	.4
Tomatoes fresh		94.3	.9	.4	3.9	.5
Turnips	30.0	62.7	.9	.1	5.7	.6
Jams		79.6	2.2	.5	15.5	1.5
Greens		82.9	3.8	.9	8.9	3.5
Watercress		93.1	.7	.5	4.4	1.3
Salsify		87.2	1.2	.08	11.2	.3
Endives		94.0	1.0		3.6	.8

COMPOSITION OF VEGETABLES.

Graphic Composition of Cabbage.



a .- Carbohydrate.

b .- Protein.

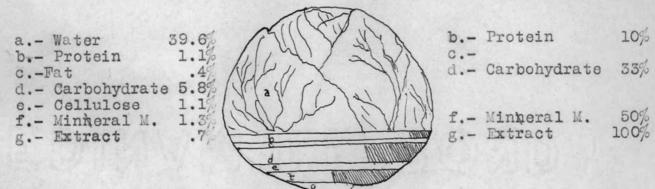
c .- Fat

d .- Mineral matter.

e .- Water

. Percentage Composition of Cabbage.

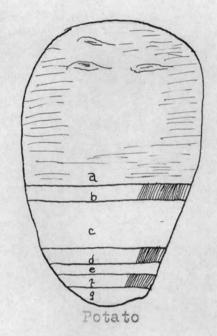
Loss on boiling.



Percentage Composition.

Loss on boiling

a	Water		76.7%
	Protein		1,2%
0	Starch		19.1%
1	Extract		1.4%
e	Fibre		. 6%
f	Minheral	M.	.9%
g	Fat		.6%

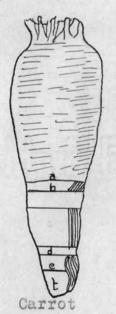


D	Frotein	20/0
d	Extract	26.89

f.- Minheral M. 38%

Percentage Composition

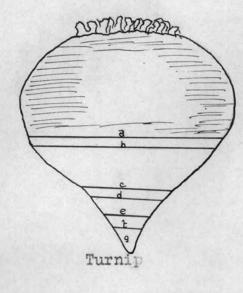
b	Water Protein Carbohydrate Fat	86. % 1.5% 10.1% .3%
	Minheral M. Extract	9.1%



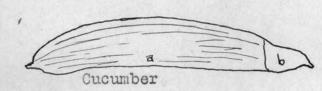
Loss on boiling.

Protein Carbohydra	6. te 25	4%
Minheral M.	37	93.09

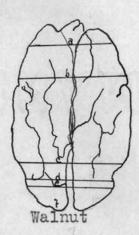
Percentage Composition.



a	Water	90.3%
b	Protein	5. %
C	Carbohydrate	5. %
d	Extract	15. %
e	Fibre	1.8%
f	Minheral M.	. 8%
g	Fat	15. %

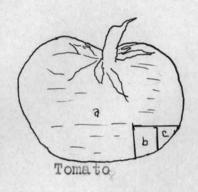


a.- Water b.- Solids

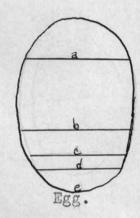


a	Water	4.6%
	Protein	15.6%
c	Fat	62. %
d	Carbohydrate	7.49
0	Minheral M.	2. %
f	Cellulose	7.8%

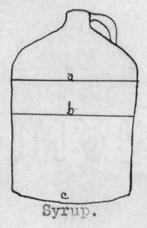
Graphic Composition.



a Water	93.76%
b Sugar	93.76% 25. %
c Non sugar	
solids	13.3 %



a.- Refuse .2%
b.- Water 75 %
c.- Protein 13 %
d.- Fat 12 %
e.- Minheral M. .8%



a.- Ash 15% b.- Water 30% c.- Sugar 55% There are various classifications of vegetables, some of which are the following:-

I According to their function in the body,

Class Examples.

Nitrogenous ----- Peas

(Muscle Beans making)

Nuts

Lentils.

Carbohydrate---- Rice

(Heat and Potatoes energy producing) Macaroni

Parsnips

Fatty group---- Nuts

(Heat and fat Olives producing)

Peas

Succulent group--- Important as cleansers.

Artichokes Cauliflower

Asparagus Brussels sprouts

Green Beans Kale

Beets Carrots

Cabbage Celery

Egg plant Corn.

II According to form.

Tubers---- White potatoes Leaves

Jerusalem artichokes Brussels sprouts

Roots----- Beets Radishes Beet greens

Carrots Salsify Cabbage
Parsnips Turnips Lettuce

Sorrel Garlic Bulbs-----Spinach Onions Watercress Shallots Flowers Stems----Asparagus Cauliflower Celery Nasturtium. Chives Fruit Tomatoes Beans Corn Okra Cucumber Egg plant Lentils Peas Pumpkins Squash III According to manner of preparation. Cooking Strong juiced Sweet juiced Peas Turnips Corn Cabbage Potatoes Tomatoes Spinach Onions Squash Brussels Sprouts Parsnips Celery Kohli Rabi Carrots Beets IV According to Seasons Spring Autumn Lettuce Corn Radish Melons Peas Tomatoes Asparagus Parsnips Cress Cucumber Spinach

Pumpkins

Summer

Winter

Potatoes

Turnips

Beans

Parsnips

Turnips

Cabbage

Carrots

Broccoli

Artichokes

Celery

Beets

Brussels sprouts

Cauliflower

Kale

Kohli Rabi

Sweet potatoes

Tomatoes

Pumpkins

For the purpose of classified study, vegetables may be termed according to their chemical comporitions, Legumes, Roots and Tubers and Fresh vegetables.

The edible fungi and the legumes or pod bearing plants represented by mushrooms, peas, beans and lentels, head the vegetable kingdom in respect to richness in nitrogenous substance. They also contain much starch, are rich in salts but deficient in fat. As a class they are rather indigestible, but on account of their abundance of protein are much used as flesh substitutes and may be purchased dried or green.

The roots and tubers represent a large class of starchy vegetables of which, potatoes, carrots, parsnips and radishes are fair examples. Their average composition is 75% water, 25% carbohydrate and 2% protein. Their use is quite universal, and they are properly winter vegetables, remaining in tact if properly cared for. The

majority of such plants will remain plump and fresh if packed in earth or sand filled boxes and kept in a modern cellar.

but are valuable at all seasons of the year on account of the saline elements they contain, and especially so in summer when the heat of the body needs to be regulated they provide the system with a direct source of pure water. Therefore each in its season should fill its place on the table. They are also appreciated for their variety of flavors, antiscorbutic properties, and value as laxatives.

A large number of green vegetables are known as acetarious or salad plants, and are becoming more extensively used in this agreeable fashion, some having no other function.

Fresh vegetables must be selected carefully and in their season. Those from a distance are liable to be wilted and quite expensive. Sometimes they will freshen up if soaked in or sprinkled with water for a few hours. The quantity purchased depends upon the home requirements, but seldom are more gotten than can conveniently be used in a short time.

Table of Information

Name	Source	Season	Points in selection
wonder. Marrow fat.	For Corvallis markets Oregon Valley gardners.	May 15 Nov. 1	Pods crisp and plump Small quantities at a time. Use green, dried and canned. Peas good quality if fresh and green.
yellow 3.Small flat	California	All year round.	In dried state usual- ly.
	on Oregon tter California rown	June 1st to Sept. 1st	Whole free from chunk of dirt and husks or shells.
String Golden Wax Kentucky wonder Navy Bean Kidney.	Oregon summer California winter		Crisp tender, free fro strings. Green, small veined, pods juicy & brittle.
Fungi Mushrooms Morels	Nebraska Oregon France		Morels: Head conical Color light brown. Triffles: Highly col- ored, spotted, scaley

Kohli Rabi	Oregon	July 15 to		
		Jan.	Same as	turnip.

Mode of selling	g Price	Care after purchasing	Remarks
Per 1b.	.06	Keep in cool place. Shell only when ready to use.	Cultivated since days of Greeks. Easily digested when young. McLean best quality. Small flat pods. Champion large well filled pods. Lack sweetness.
Per lb.	.081/3	Cover in jars or crocks in dry place.	Use- vegetable soup. Not of frequent use in America yet. 3rd variety of delicate flavor. Much used.
Per 1b.	L.W.06½ N07 L08 B06 P07 .10	Restore freshness by soaking 5 to 8 hrs.	Native of Egypt. Dried purchased all year at any grocery. 5 qts.in pod of shell beans equals lqt. shelled. Green beans cheapest. Early vegetables.
			Favor animal foods in flavor and nour-ishment. Plentiful after Sept. frosts Use in U.S. for seasoing, vegetables and soups. Nocturnal in growth. Delicate in flavor. Nutritious food.
Per head	.05	Stored in cellar for winter use.	Resembles turnips. Use the same.

Name	Source	Season	Points in selection
Potatoes Varieties Burbank Early Ros " Wond	daho California Se. Washington	Apr. 1st to Dec. 1st	Size medium. Eyes long and shallow. Surface smooth. Weight heavy to size of potato. Not soft or wilty. Skins smooth
Potato Swe Kechn dri best qual Yams.	ied Southern Ore.		Size medium. Firm and brittle. Wiltiness sure sign of decomposition.
Artichokes French Jerusales	Oregon	Jan 15 to Oct. 1	Fresh and firm.
Salsify o	r Oregon ant. Local gardner	rs June 15 t March 1.	o Fresh and green and brittle. Stalks not pithy.
fast. Scarlet Long sca Icycle	turnip Local Ore.	May 1 to Sept.	Fresh and crisp/ Firm. Not woody or hollow. Grown Quick- ly.
Early Ro Turnip Rhutabes French Purple T Flat Dut Ruta Bas	Universal oregon Valley op Farmers.	June 1 to Mar. 1	Firm texture. Color rich. Brittle and tender. Flavor sweet. Long and yellow.
Broccoli	nowball Oregon	Sept. to March	Choose white heads wi fresh green leaves. Avoid dard spots in heads which is sign ounfreshness. Flowers closely packed, britt and firm.

Price	Care after Purchasing	Remarks New Potatoes con-
.75	Add 1 lb. lime to each sack. of potatoes to get rid of earthy odor. Do not expose to light. Remove sprouts. May pack bucket of water by to prevent freezing.	tain unmature star- ch. Are not good for infants or in- valids. Are most
.03	Do not keep well. Keep in temperature little above freezing. 34 F. Pack in chaff. Do not let them touch.	Contain much sugar Used most extensive- ly in the Southern States. Yams- large variety.
.10	Keep cool. Before using pare and place in venegar water to prevent discoloring.	French-expensive rJerusalem-common. r- Use-pickeling and salads. Re- semble thistle.
.05	Freshened by placing in cold aciduated water. Stored in boxes or packed in a cool dry place.	Used as a flavor vegetable and soup basis.
.10	roots on until ready to use.	Use uncooked as a relish, garnish in salads. Cultivated in India since remotest period. In Eng. since 13th century.
.05	other roots in the cella: Best in fall when quick- ly grown after a good shower. Store as turnip	Become corky if rkept till spring. Young tender leaves are excellent greens. Not a nutritious food. 1% nitrogenous. Use as turnip.
.05 t .10 .02½	o Stand head down in salt water immediately. May be pickeled in venegar and spices, with cucumbers.	Stalk and flowers of a plant similar to Brussels sprouts
	.01\frac{1}{2}.75 .50	.01½ Placed in modern cellar75 Add 1 lb. lime to each .50 sack. of potatoes to get rid of earthy odor. Do not expose to light. Remove sprouts. May pack bucket of water by to prevent freezing. .03 Do not keep well. Keep in temperature little above freezing. 34 F. Pack in chaff. Do not let them touch10 Keep cool. Before using pare and place in venegar water to prevent discolor ing. .05 Freshened by placing in cold aciduated water. Stored in boxes or pack- ed in a cool dry place. Keep standing in cold .05 water. Leave tops and .10 roots on until ready to use. .02½ Store for winter use as .05 other roots in the cella Best in fall when quick- ly grown after a good shower. Store as turnip

urce Season	Points in selection
Oregon Feb. to June	Best quality have curley leaves. Fresh green and crisp.
Oregon Apr. 1 Benton Co. to Texas. Dec. 1	Small white preferable to greenish of dried quality. Large sizes are milder of flavor. Green onions- Stems Fresh cut and juicy.
United States Spring Southern " Oregon some.	Used green and dried, flavoring. Leaves flat and hollow. Green, fres crisp, juicy, young and white.
Oregon Mar. 1 All states to May 1	Curley leaves. Straight leaves. Lettuce hearts. Fresh, green, crisp, tender and young. Heart firm. Bleached.
Oregon June valley gard- to ners. August Oregon Oregon.	Tender and fresh. Select young tops. Young tender leaves.
Grown in France April 1 Germany to Oregon June 15. Corvallis markets.	Tender and young. Test- can be pierced with fir gers nail is not old, a in. below top. Leaves crisp.
	Oregon Feb. to June Oregon Apr. 1 Benton Co. to Texas. Dec. 1 United States Spring Southern " Oregon Mar. 1 All states to May 1 Oregon June valley gard- to ners. August Oregon Oregon. Grown in France April 1 Germany to Oregon June 15. Corvallis

	Mode selling	Price	Care after Purchasing	Remarks
	bunch	.05	Sprinkle with cold water. Keep in cool place till used. Sea Kale-kept in dark. Develop strong un- pleasant flavor in light.	Most delicate flavor. Sea Kale- young sprouts of Sea Cabbage. Easil digested. Nutrituv Easily obtained.
ı	lb.	T.B02 B06	Dried onions kept in cool dark place. Remove bad ones quickly. Fresh onion kept in ice water till ready for use. Handle little.	Wholesome served raw or cooked. Nu- tritive. Green in spring. Dried rest of year. Good sea- soning, for salads, meat loaves, and dressing.
"	lb. bunch	.25	Green keep in cool damp place. Dried, closely covered and dry. Air occasionally-recover. Stored in cool damp recepticle or in ice water till used.	
		to 10	Keep fresh by removing leaves and placing in Scold water or srapped	Appetizer. Little Nutritive value. Hothouse pland in
			in cloth or in wire basket on ice.	winter. Universal salad plant. Beaut iful garnish. Mill juice is a sedatud
Per	bunch	.05	Keep cool in water.	Use- Greens
"	n	.05	п п п	" salads.
Per Extra Prin Seco	nes		Place on ice. Keep cool Place heads down for some hours before using Require much cleaning before using.	Used as early as 425 B.C. Remedy for palpitation Slight nutrituve value. Greenfiner flavored.

Name	Source	Season	Points in selection
Celery Red White Green Celerica	Universal Oregon	All year	Crisp and tender stalks. Leaves fresh. Color green, or white. Not woody fibered nor tough. Celerica- Large rooted celery. Used for cooking only
Spinach or Spinage	Oregon Canned in Eastern & Western states	June 1 to Mar. 1	Leaves only before stem is mature. Not old or seedy. Not dark leaves or thick with thready stalk. Scattered blossoms. Leaves dirty. Best.
Cress Watercress Indian cress Pepper grass.		May 1 to July	Fresh and tender leaves, flowers or stems.
Tomato Acme Yellow	California Oregon	July to Nov.15	Smooth, red. Thin skins. Regular in shape. Not too large nor small. Firm
Cucumber Pable variety Gherkins.	Portland Hothouses Oregon-all		Juicy, sweet, fresh, Quickly grown. Long, slender.
Pumpkins Sugar Yankee Sweet	Oregon	Sept. 1 to Mar. 1	Color-dark yellow. Weight heavy. Shells hard. Ripe-mature.
Squash Winter Marrow Turban Hubbard Summer.	Oregon	Sept. 1	Color deep green. Shell hard. Weight heavy. Young, tender Skins thin.

Mode Mode			
of selling	Price	Care after Purchasing	Remarks.
Per stalk.	.10	Keep crisp by srapping in cloth and placing in ice. Standing in cold water. Kept white by adding lemon juice to water. For winter use by covering with earth and keeping cool.	Use-stem, roots, leaves Leaves green & yellow are beautiful for garnishing. Much used in soups as a veg- etable boiled and in salads. Good for ner- vousness and rheumatism.
Per bunch	.05	Spinach required much cleaning also. Is easily kept if put in cool damp place.	Valuable winter vegetable. From
Per bunch	.05	Keep in cold water or or ice. Adding little salt to water helps to freshen.	family. Grows
Per lb.	.02 065	If green spread on paper on roof to ripen. If rip can. Keep cool. Remove all that spoil. Air but dry. Gather before frost	or A fruit used widely pe as a vegetable. Origin from tropical portion of
Per bu. " piece (large)	.01	For pickeling, gather when young. Pickle immediately. Do not keep fresh long in salt water	Table variety short large. Served raw generally. Pickeled in large quantities Not much nourish- ment.
Each	.05	Keep in cellar on shelf Not touching each other May be canned.	
Apiece according	5¢-10¢	Keep for winter use the same as pumpkins.	Summer varieties white, round, yellow crooknedk. Squashes used as vegetables sauces and pies.

Name	Source	Season	Points in selection
Parsley Champion	Oregon Local Gardners	Jan. Jan.	Curley leaves, fresh and tender.
Chicory or Endive Wiltloof	Oregon	May to June	Fit for salads. Wiltloof-Same as Spinach
Beets Blood Tur- nip White.	For market in all the Western Sta Oregon for Corvallis markets.	Jan. 15 tes to Mar. 1	See that the leaves are not wilted. Beets not cracked. Color rich, good weight. Size medium.
Parsnips Long White Hollow Crown	Oregon All Western States. Local-valle gardners.	to	Best having been dug in the fall just after forst or snow. If rusty, have been left in the ground too long. Not good.
Carrots French Breakfast. Oxheart Shorthorn	Oregon	June 15 to Mar. 1	Firm to touch. Leaves not wilted. Size med- ium. Brittle, tender and young.
Cabbage Early varieties: Early Ox- heart. Jersey Wake- field. Late: Drunhead large Flat Dutch. Others: Savory Purple.	Oregon California	All year	Select heavy solid head Savory is best for boiling. Purple for coleslaw Leaves crisp, white. Stalk cut close to the head.

- 0	Mode	Destace	Come often Developing	Damanla
	selling bunch		Care after Purchasing Place in cool place in dish of cold water.	Remarks Used as a garnish, seasoning for meals and salads.
Per	bunch	.05	Keep cool, crisp	Use for salads. Wiltloof-Solid head of leaves. Roots used as an adulterant for coffee.
Per "	bunch 1b.	.05	Do not bruise, cut the leaves off or prick the skin, or the best will bleed. Keep in cellar.	Use as a vegetable or pickeled. Leaves so metimes used for greens. Resembles carrot in nutrition.
Per	bunch 1b.	.04 .02½	Store in cellar as any other root for winter keeping. Easily preserved.	Excellent winter vegetable. More nutritious than carrots. Character- istic-sweetness. Good occasional sub- stitute for potatoes.
11	bunch lb.	.05	Dug in autumn and stor ed the same as turnips or parsnips. Pack in earth or sand filled b boxes, place in cellar.	Use-flavoring soups Garnish vegetables Wholesome when ground
Per	head lb.	.0510	Kept in cool place. Freshen by sprinkling with salt water. For winter use make in to Sauer Kraut or place in barrels roots up, in a cellar. Will keep some time. Keep near, but not to freezing point.	Native of Germany & Saxony. Cabbage-most representative of green vegetables. Useraw, boiled, sauer kraut. Contain no poisonous substance areantiscorbutic in nature.

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Name	Source	Season	Points in selection
Brussels Sprouts	Oregon Corvallis market. Local gard- ners.	Sept. 1 to Jan. 1	Small green heads. Fresh crisp leaves. Flavor good.
Greens	Oregon valley gardners	All year	Green, fresh and ten- der. Clean and whole Not worm eaten. Not stringy.

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of se		Price	Care after Purchasing	Remarks
Per l	b. it.		Similar to cabbage. More hardy plant.	Native of Oregon, also imported. Species of cabbage Use-same as cabbag
Per k	ounch	.05	Use soon. Keep wrapped in cloth on ice or in cold water.	

Fruits.

vation of fruits is contemperaneous with the history of civilization, and that only with the introduction of the industries and luxuries of civilization comes the highest development, by cultivation, of at first few then many varieties. Man was once known as a frugivorous being. From a botanist's point of view fruits, the seed bearing portion of any plant, exceeds in human value all other parts of the plant. In a restricted sense all fruits are to a small degree tissue formers. While the great variety of fruits from any locality present an almost unlimited range in color, form and appearance, they are as a whole valuable additions to our diet and may be made to furnish quite an appreciable portion of the required nutrients of daily life.

Because of their large proportion of pure water, which is of the utmost value to the body, fresh fruits are dilute foods, resembling in nutritive value the green vegetables. But the more concentrated, dried, or canned fruits are similar to the cereals and other dry food materials. Foods are further characterized by their content of carbohydrates and mineral salts, hence the propriety in serving them with a protein rich meal.

Fruits are used in both the raw or fresh and the cooked or prepared state. When of an easily digestible nature the raw or natural state is preferable.

The size, yield, color, flavor, texture and chemical

composition of fruits is largely influenced and modified by cultivation. All these qualities affest the market of fruits and are points for consideration to the buyer who should be satisfied with only the highest standards. Supplied as the world is today with all kinds, the fruit market fluctuates according to many circumstances, still here as with other food products, as a rule it is the part of wisdom to buy and use fruits during their season, purchasing and storing large quantities of those which can be kept and canning the winter supply when the article is abundant and the price low.

Fruits may be preserved in many ways, the most common are by drying, canning, pickeling, jellying and storing. The last mentioned may be simply in boxes or barrels in a storeroom, or by packing in sand or sawdust from which the moisture has been excluded. The most satisfactory results are obtained by selecting fresh, sound, firm, home grown and carefully handled fruits for any manner of preservation.

The agreeable aroma of fruits due to the presence of essential oils and ethers, along with the delicious tarty flavor peculiar to certain qualities places all fruits in the foreground as appetizers. The especially tart fruits are known as the acid group and oil used particularily for jellies and preserves.

Aside from water, fruits are largely carbohydrate foods, those containing above eighty percent water are known as flavor fruits represented by the berries; those

Fruits contain very little fat or protein and not an appreciable amount of mineral salts.

termined by the proportions of food principles which they contain after the inedible portions such as skins and seeds, known as waste or refuse is deducted. The following table will serve to make clear the composition and refuse content of many varieties, while the drawings simply illustrate the same facts. We must not estimate the food value purely from the chemical composition, for fruits really contain very little nutriment, their chief value lying in their ability to give flavor and palatibility to other foods and to influence most favorably the digestive processes.

Fruits may be classifies as "Fleshy or Pulpy",
"Drupaceous" and "Hard dry or Nuts". Under the first
class are the greatest variety, while the second is comprised of fruits containing a single celled stony nucleus
inside of which is a seed, the whole surrounded by a
succulent fleshy coat.

The first class is divided into

Pomes.

Citrus family.

Ex. Apple

Ex. Oranges

Pear

Lemons

Quince

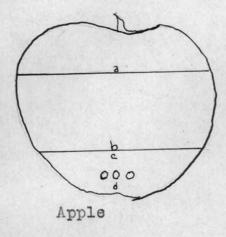
Grape fruit

Limes.

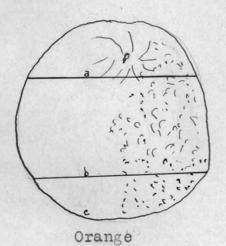
Composition of Some Cereal Preparations (From Farmers Bulletin No. 289. by Woods and Snyder.)

Kind of food	Water	Protein	Fat	Carbo.	Min. M.	Price as Pur.
Oat preparations Oats whole grain Oat meal raw Rolled oats, steamed Flaked and malted oats Flaked oats eaten raw	7.3 8.2 7.9	16.1	7.2 7.4 5.2	67.5 66.5 68.3	1.9 1.8 2.4	35 - 40¢ per 1b. 6¢ " " 35¢ " pkg. 30¢ " "
Rolled wheat steamed Flaked and crisped, raw Shredded wheat Crumbed and malted	11.1 10.2 9.4 8.1 5.6 10.0 10.9 11.4	11.1 10.2 12.2 10.6 12.2 9.9	1.7 1.8 1.4 1.0 2.1 1.4 1.9	75.9 76.9 74.8 78.1 79.3 76.3 71.9	1.5 8.9 1.8 1.9 .4 .4	40¢ per 9 lb. s 30¢ per pkg
Rye Whole grain Flaked	11.6	10.6	1.7	74.2 75.8	1.9	10¢ per pkg. 30¢ per pkg.
Barley Whole grain Pearled barley Flaked, steamed Flaked, eaten raw	8.8	25	1.1	77.8	1.3	30¢ per pkg. 25¢ " "
Buckwheat Whole flour	13.6	6.4	1.2	77.9	.9	
Corn Corn meal Hominy Flaked Popcorn		9.2	•			40¢ per 9 lb sk 40¢ " " " " 15¢ " pkg. 15¢ " lb.
Rice - puffed Crackers - Macaroni Bread	7.1 6.8 10.3 38.4		.6 8.8 8.8	85.7 71.9 74.1 70.1	5.1 1.8 1.3 2.2	10¢ " pkg. 10¢ " " 12½¢ " 1b. .05¢ " " 1 loa:
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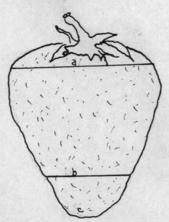
Graphic Compostion.



a.- Refuse b.- Water c.- Carbohydrate d.- Acids



a.- Refuse b.- Water c.- Sugar



a.- Refuse b.- Water c.- Sugar

Strawberry.

Acid fruits

Ex. Grapes

Currants

Cranberries

Barbary

Berry family

Ex. Huckleberry

Strawberry

Gooseberry

Blackberry

Elderberry

Mulberry

Cranberry

Melon family

Ex. Watermelon

Muskmelon

Cantaloupe.

Meat fruits

Ex. Bananas

Figs

Prunes

Dates

Tropical fruits.

Ex. Banana

Pomegranate

Pawpaw

Gueva

Walnut

Chestnut

Hazelnut

Filbert

Beechnut

Acorn.

Ex. Cherry

Plum

Peach

Nectarine

Apricot

Date

Mango

Drupaceous fruits Nuts or hard dry fruits

Ex. Almond

Brazil nut

Cocoanut

Peanut

Tamberine

Hickorymut.

Nuts which are succulent fruits differ from other fruits in both flavor and nutritive value. They must be regarded as nutritive foods and are excellent meat substitutes. Being rich in fat they supply much heat and energy.

Until recent years nuts were not recognized as being worthy a place among foods, but at present their use as deserts, in salads and cakes, as vegetable or meat substitutes is becoming daily more popular. Their low content of water makes them easily kept. The few varieties not produced in the United States are imported from other countries and may be purchased at all times of the year. They are most expensive during the winter months. But since they contain approximately twice the food value of cereals, their actual cost should be compared with meats instead of other food stuffs.

A study of the following tables will show the part fruits and nuts occupy in the food world as sources of nutrition for the animal kingdom, while the table of information may give some definite knowledge and a few useful hints as to the care and purchase of fruits.

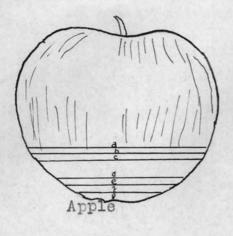
Average Composition of Nuts (From Food Materials and their Adulteration. by E. H. Richards.)

	Refuse	Edible		Edible			-
		Portion	Water	Prot.	Fat	Carbo	Ash
Acorns	35.6	64.4	2.6	5.2	% 24.1	% 30.9	%
Almonds	64.8	35.2	1.7	7.3	19.3	6.2	1.7
Almond kernels		100.0	4.8	21.0	54.9	17.3	2.0
Beechnuts	40.8	59.2	2.3	12.0	34.0	7.8	2.1
Butternuts	86.4	13.6	0.6	3.8	8.3	0.5	0.4
Brazil nuts	49.6	50.4	2.7	8.6	33.6	3.5	2.0
Chestnuts	16.1	83.9	31.0	5.7	6.7	39.0	1.5
Cocoanuts	48.8	51.2	7.2	2.9	25.9	14.3	0.9
Cocoanuts shredde	d		3.5	6.3	57.3	31.6	1.3
Cocoanut milk			92.7	0.4	1.5	4.6	0.8
Filberts	52.1	47.9	1.8	7.5	31.3	6.2	1.1
Filbert kernels		100.0	2.9	10.3	70.8	14.3	1.7
Hickory nuts	62.2	37.8	1.4	5.8	25.5	4.3	0.8
Litchi nuts	41.6	58.4	10.5	1.7	0.1	45.0	0.9
Pecans	49.7	50.3	1.4	5.2	35.6	7.2	0.8
Peçan kernels		100.0	2.9	10.3	70.8	14.3	1.7
Pican, P. Edulis	40.6	59.4	2.0	8.7	36.8	10.2	1.7
Pican, P. Mon.	41.7	58.3	2.2	3.8	35.4	15.3	1.6
Pican, P. Sabin.	77.0	23.0	1.2	6.5	12.3	1.9	1.1
Pistachis kernels		100.0	4.2	22.6	54.5	15.6	3.1
Peanuts raw	26.4	73.6	6.9	20.6	30.7	13.8	1.6
Peanut kernels		100.0	9.3	27.9	42.0	18.7	2.1
Peanut Butter			2.0	29.3	46.6	17.1	5.0
Roasted Peanuts	32.6	67.4	1.1	27.9	33.0	10.9	1.7
Walnuts Walnut kernels	58.0	42.0 100.0		7.0 16.7	27.0 64.4	6.1	0.7

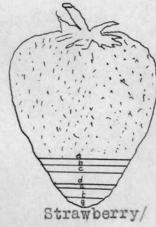
The Average Chemical Composition of Fresh Fruit.
As Purchased (Atwater)

Article - Fruit			ntage Co			
Apples	Refuse 25.0	Water 63.0	Protein .3	Fat		Min. M.
Apricots	6.0	79.0	1.0		12.6	.5
Eananas	35.0	48.0	.80	1.0	10.9	.5
Blackberries		86.3	113	1.0	10.9	.5
Cherries	5.0	76.8	.9	.8	15.9	.6
Cranberries		88,9	.4	.6	9.9	.2
Currants		85.0	1.5		12.8	.7
Currants dried		17.2	2.4	1.7	74.2	4.5
Dates	10.0	13.8	1.9	2.5	70.6	1.2
Figs		79.0	1.5		18.8	.6
Grapes	25.0	58.0	1.0	1.8	14.4	.4
Huckleberries		81.9	.6	.6	14.6	.3
Lemons	30.0	62.5	.7	.5	5.9	.4
Muskmelons	50.0	44.8	.3		4.6	.3
Oranges	27.0	63.4	.6	.1	8.5	.4
Pears	10.0	76.0	.5	.4	12.7	.4
Pineapples		89.3	.4	.3	9.7	.3
Plums	5.0	74.5	.9		19.1	.5
Prunes	5.8	75.6	.7		17.5	.5
Prunes dried	15.0	19.0	1.8		62.2	2.0
Raspberries		85.8	1.0		12.6	.6
Raisins	10.0	13.1	2.3	3.0	68.5	3.1
Strawberries	5	89.9	.9	.6	7.	.6
Watermelons	59.4	37.5	.2	.1	2.7	.3

Percentage Composition.



a	Water	82.5%
b	Protein	. 4%
C	Fat .	. 3%
d	Carbohydrate	12.5%
	Minheral M.	.4%
	Acids	1. %
g.=	Cellulose	2.7%



a	Water	89.1%
b	Protein	1. %
C	Extract	. 5%
d	Carbohydrate	3.5%
e	Minneral M.	.79
f	Cellulose	2.2%
g	Acids	12. %



a	Water	74. %
b	Protein	1.5%
	Extract	.7%
	Carbohydrate	22.7%
e	Minheral M.	. 9%
f	Cellulose	.5%

Fruit	Source	Season	Selection
Apples	Oregon, Hood River Section of Country.	July to June	Smooth skinned Solid, not bruised or decayed. Desert apples juicy, tender. Cider apples juicy and sweet.
Apricots Marrowport Brecla	California		Freshclean Dried closely. Packed solid.
Bananas Cavendish Dacca Teorts choice	California Mexico Hawaii Island Florida	January	Size medium, Flavor delicate, Touch firm, Color rich yellow, No dark spots.
Gooseberries Cranberries Many others	ies Oregon berry ferms	June 15 to Sept.30	Fresh, firm, dry. Avoid all soft. Avoid those with visible dirt on Do not purchase Strawberries after a rain. Buy in heigh of season.
Cherries Many varieties Royal Anns Kentish Black Republication	Most Western States.	May 15 to Aug. 1	Juicy. Flavor good Firm, delicategripe Skins smooth, stems in them. Middles of Season.
Dates Fresh Dried	California Africa Gulf states	All year	Clean, plump, fresh Packed closely. Black best quality.
Figs	Turkey California	All year	White best quality.
Grapes Concord Muscat Cornichon	America Oregon Willamette Valley California	Sept. 1 to Jan. 1st	Well filled skins. Fresh, firm. Stems stiff not wilted.
Raisins Current	Western States Oregon California	All year	Well packed in good boxes. Black.

Mode			
of selling	Price	Care	Remarks
Bushel Barrel	\$1.50	Keep almost the year around if kept in a low temperature and suitable storage. Barrels or boxes on cellar floor. Free from decaying particles. Dry.	Best American crop In olden times that to be capable of cur ing any infirmity of mind or body. Now ove 2000 varieties. Conta much cellulose. Frui and jelly.
Basket 6 lbs.	.35	Preserved fresh with difficulty. Keep cool Use quickly after purchasing.	Over 20 varieties.
Dozen	.25		Native of Old World Contains much nourish ment. Used as a fruit, in salads as vegetabl Cereal of tropical natives.
B.lb., box gal. Logans, box. G. lb. R. Box Due box	5¢,15¢ \$1.00 5¢ 5¢ 7¢ 5¢	Cleaning difficult Handle carefully. Wash in several	Fleshy fruits. Some varieties come early in spring, Booseberry and straw- h berry. Lucious
By 1b. and bu.	\$1.50	Do not bruise	Used as a food in Germany and France. Used here as a fruit.
1b. 1b.	25¢ 25¢	Ferment rapidly until dried. Keep cool dry. preserved in sugar. Keep covered tightly.	Very nutritious. Principle food of
1b.	25¢	Cover and place in cool room.	Highly nutritious.
box. bu.	35¢ \$1.00	Spread on papers Ventilate well.Keep in dark room. Cool. Cook and seal in	Most importand of all berry fruits. Very ancient of use. Con- tains much sugar.
pox	15¢ 15¢	glass jars. Keep covered in box or in stone or glass jars on cellar shelf	Dried grapes. Dried in the sun.Current, small seedless grape

Fruit	Source	Season	Selection
Melons Watermelons Mushmelons Cantaloupes.	California Oregon	July to October	Size medium. Ripe. Crack when pressed on Rind thin. Meat juicy, sweet. Seeds black.
Oranges Navel Mediterranean	California principally.		Skins smooth, thin and shine when you rub with finger. Navel orange considered best. Weightheavy.
Prunes Many varieties Burbank Fresh Petite dried	Oregon (an abundanc		Firm yet not hard. Skins perfect, not bruised nor shriveled
Plums Dawson Silver Egg plum Green Gage	Oregon	Sept. 1 to November	Same as prunes
Pears Barklet Fall Butter Winter Nellie Russett	Oregon	to	Firm and regular in shape. Not wilted, not spotted. Should be picked before ripe.
Peaches Crawford Lemon cling Nectarines	Oregon Idaho California Michigan	to	Firm and fuzzy. Size medium. Flavor delicate. Skin slip easily.
Lemons Lime Wild Lemon	California Southern States.	Jan. Jan.	Thin skins. Weight heavy. Not shriveled.
Rhubarb	Oregon	April 1 to Septembe	Stalks crisp. Heavy. Skin thin and r tender. Easily cut. not tough.
Pineapple Red Spanish Smooth Cayenne Porta Rico.	Brazil Florida	Sept. to Feb.	Large and firm. Flavor excellent
Quinces	Oregon	Sept. Feb.	Size medium

Mode of selling	Price	Care	Remarks.
Apiece Muskmelons Cantaloupe		Immerse in tub of cold water. Change water often or keep ice in it. Kepp in shade.	
PER dozen according t grade,	25¢ to to 40¢	pack rolled in paper. Keep cool & dry. Do not allow to freeze.	Belongs to citron family.Little Nut- ritive value.App- etizer.Used for marmalades.
Per lb.	.04 1.00	Are preserved with- out canning only for for a short time.	
Per lb.	.03	Same as prune. Keep a little better.	Many varieties. Fall & winter fruit Very nutritious.
Per lb. " bu. "	.02½ 1.00 .75	cellars. Or spread a few inches apart	Less hardy than appl Best eaten raw. Are used raw, cooked and preserved.
Per lb. " bu. " lb.	.03 1. 26 .12½	Store same as plums Do not keep long. Better if canned fresh.	Used as stored in jars and raw. A most delicious fruit.
Per doz.	.25	Preserved best in cool, dry place. molds easily. dark.	More acid than the orange. Used as a flavor largely. Whole
per lb.	.03	In ice box or wrapped in damp cloth.	Used as fruit and in pies. Has a very col flavor. Appetizer.
		lar	ta Rico is the gest variety some- nes weighing from to 15 pounds.
Per bu.	1.00	Store as apples. Use in flavoring	Rarely eaten raw. Used much in mar- malade. Season in fall.

Another most important group of Carbohydrates known as the Cereals, a term derived from the Greek noun Ceres, the Goddess of grains and the harvest, pertains to all cultivated grains or grasses, and represents perhaps the greatest of the world's crops. Including wheat, rice, corn, oats, barley, rye, millet and buckwheat, all of which belong to the graminece or grass family, they are grains of hardy growth, easy cultivation, wider distribution than any other of the flowering plants, rank first among vegetable foods, and furnish one means of subsistance to both man and the lower animals.

In comparing the composition of these grains we find they resemble each other closely, all being rich in carbohydrates, but each possessing very characteristic differences. For instance corn contains a relatively high proportion of fat; oats are rich in both protein and fat; rice has little fiber or fat; wheat and rye are high in protein and moderate in fat; while barley is average in all the nutrients. Oats ranks first in supplying all these nutrients in the proper proportions, followed by wheat, then corn.

The percentage composition of each is seen from the table.

Composition of Cereals (Atwater)

	Water	Protein	Fat	Carbo.	Min. M.
Oats	10.0	10.9	4.5	61.6	3.5
Wheat	12.0	11.0	1.7	73.4	1.9
Corn	12.5	9.7	5.4	69.9	1.5
Millet	12.3	10.4	3.9	71.2	2.2
Barley	12.3	10.1	1.9	73.3	2.4
Rye	11.0	10.2	2.3	74.4	2.1
Rice	12.4	6.9	.4	79.8	.5
Buckwheat	13.0	10.2	2.2	72.4	2.2

Wheat which takes first rank among the cereals as a breadmaking source is richest in protein. This grain was cultivated in Egypt over two hundred years before the Christian era and at present is most extensively raised in Western and North-western United States, Russia, France and India. There are numerous varieties, due to the difference in the soil, climate and cultivation which are classified as hard, soft, red, white, spring and summer dependent upon quality, stage at harvesting, place of growth and season of planting. The ripened grain is hard and nutritious and is also the source of many breakfast foods and flours.

Oats, the most nutritious of grains, contains much cellulose, is difficult of digestion unless thoroughly cooked, but is highly valuable as a laxative. Owing to its lack of glutten it cannot be made into doughs without being combined with some other flour. The origin of oats is unknown, but it is thought to have been first culti-

vated by the Swiss and Ancient Germans, and grows best in northern regions. One of its derivitives oatmeal is the national poridge dish of Scotland.

Rice, whose native lands are India and China was first introduced in America in 1761. It resembles barley, contains much digestible starch, but has little nutritive value in comparison to the other grains, it is therefore usually served with some nitrogenous food and is considered best after having been harvested about three years. It is an interesting fact to note that it forms the staple food of about one third the human race.

Maize or Indian corn is native to America and is raised principally in Mexico and Central America. It is inferior to wheat in nutritive value, though it contains more fat and less gluten. There are many species, some being white others, red or yellow in color. It is used in meals and hominies.

Rye is grown in Germany, Russia, and Scandinavia.

As a grain it has a peculiar brownish color, is rather indigestible, sourish in taste, less nutritious than wheat and is very subject to attacks of fungi causing swelling and discoloration. This grain is principally used in America for malting and Boston Brown bread making.

Barley resembling wheat closely is the basis of all alcoholic drinks. It has no gluten forming constituent.

Buckwheat, not a true cereal, belongs to the order including dock sorrel, and knot grass. Its chief use is in bread and cakes.

Millet, a native grain of East India, is said to be the first cereal used in breadmaking. Its flour is white and nutritious. It has excellent keeping qualities, and its use is displacing that of other grains in many countries.

The chief use to which cereals have been put is as bread stuffs and breakfast foods, thus obviously forming an important part of the daily diet. Formerly they were prepared for use by husking and then crushing in a crude manner. But such preparations were inconvenient as they required such long cooking. These early products were replaced by the rolled oats and wheat, which were partially cooked in the factories. Later these were followed by the malted and otherwise prepared foods, which are sold in packages under proprietary names that may or may not indicate their true nature.

The real methods of preparing these various foods are unknown except by the manufacturer, but in every process the grains are first carefully cleaned and the foreign seeds, dirt and most of the indigestible portions being removed, they are slightly crushed. They are now called groats or grits. The process from here on varies according to the product desired. If the grouts are finely crushed the result is meal, if ground to a fine powder, flour. However the vast number of breakfast foods now on the market fall readily under one of the three groups. First those prepared by simply grinding the grain, second those steamed and otherwise partially cooked and

then ground or rolled; third those acted upon by malt, where by a chemical change occurs in the starch. The difference in appearance of these food stuffs is due to the varying technical processes. Some are simply cooked and dried, then crushed; to others are added either salt, malt, sugar, molassas, celery, or other materials, for varieties sake. Some are made into a dough and baked, some shredded, toasted or puffed.

In general the prepared breakfast foods resemble very closely in composition the grains from which they were made, for while the milling process takes little from them it adds nothing to them although it may modify the appearance texture and flavor.

Oat preparations contain the most digestible protein and fat, wheat ranking next, while those from barley, corn and rice are very similar. The different preparations from the same grain vary little in the quantities of nutrients they supply, and the partially digested or ready to eat cereals seem to supply no greater amounts of digestible material than do the plain grains if well cooked.

At present there is some question as to the comparative values of preparations with and without bran.

Does the gain of the valuable mineral salts and protein in the bran compensate for the increased supply of cellulose? Ordinarily the choice of either is simply a matter of taste, and here the desire for variety may be exercised. The predigested and malted foods which also give great variety are seldom all they are claimed to be, the digestion having proceeded to no great extent, but as they are free from harmful ingredients there is no discredit to their use aside from the fact, that they are more expensive than others.

The digestibility of cereals depends largely upon the thoroughness of their cooking, which softens the crude fiber and ruptures the cell walls. While a lack of definite knowledge forbids any exact statement as to the length of time, required, we may safely say it varies in proportion to the coarseness of the fiber, the finer ones requiring the least time. As over cooking cereals is unusual and harmless and undercooking is common and

undesirable it is always advisable to cook each for the full time allotted by the directions on the package.

The freedom from adulteration which is the rule among cereals may be credited to the pure food laws of the state. It is indeed a source of satisfaction to know that the modern mills where in these preparations occur, are models of neatness and cleanliness in comparison to the old methods, where freedom from dust, insects and varments was not to be expected. The neat almost air tight packages containing the cereals as they are retailed are filled with the fresh, clean product as nearly as it left the mill as is possible. Some are even packed in tin cans which is the surest protection from moisture and contamination.

In considering the cost of cereals we are lead to believe that this class of foods supply digestible nutrients to the body more cheaply than any other except the dried legumes. The extreme difference in prices represented by from three to fifteen cents per pound of the varying kinds does not indicate closely their nutritive value, and is doubtless due in part to the cost of preparation. The partly cooked brands may be the most economical, if we calculate the time, labor and fuel as factors of expense in the household.

In selecting cereals from the bewildering variety now upon the market, appearance, palpability, relative cost, and individual preferences, with due regard to the chemical composition and digestibility are important

factors for consideration. They are usually purchased in small quantities for family use and should be kept either tightly closed in the packages as purchased or placed in glass or pottery or metal or stone jars, covered and returned to a cool, dry, well ventilated place of storage, remembering the enemies to successful keeping are heat, moisture, lack of ventilation and invasion of insects.

One might easily offset the knowledge in his possession which enables him to purchase any food stuff wisely by a corresponding ignorance of its care subsequent to the buying. In view of this fact a few points pertaining to this line of thought will be discussed in the concluding paragraphs.

The care of food in the home as well as all other froms of home work is facilitated by right planning and the use of suitable materials for the construction and furnishing of the home. Such not only add comfort and saving of labor, but are in many instances essential from a hygienic stand point. Nevertheless few realize the economy of adequate storage arrangements. Taking for granted that the food before reaching the home has been well cared for and properly handled, is clean and perfectly sound, the length of time it may retain such a condition depends wholly upon the treatment it then receives.

Possibly our first care is to see that all articles are carefully and thoroughly screened or covered in such a manner as to insure protection from the harmful insects,

such as mosquitoes and flies, bees or yellow jackets.

Such small creatures are responsible in large measure for the diseases of man, hence must be guarded against with all diligence. Food must also be kept free from the ordinary dust particles continually present in the air. We are never sure with just what germs the air is invested, hence every precaution should be taken to prevent contact and settling of dust particles on the purchased materials.

Pet animals, as dogs and cats are another source of harmful contamination and should not be tolerated in the kitchen, pantry or storeroom, any more than rats and mice, which are known to spread several diseases.

In uncivilized times before improvements of transportation and preservation came about, much more food was stored in the home than now. At present commercial storage is applied to all lines of perishable food stuffs to a marvelous extent, resulting in many out of season articles. While such goods is thought by some to be inferior to the fresh still if they are handled under the most favorable cold storage conditions they are uninjured, but must be used shortly after removal from storage.

A good cellar for fruits and vegetables, whether large or small, in the city or country, must be cool, dry, clean, regularly aired and dug in well drained ground.

A cellar is not a rubish room, where may be deposited the debris of the household, but is rather an essential portion

of a well planned house, especially necessary in the northern states to regulate the temperature. The windows must insure good light and draft. The walls and floor should be of cement to prevent entrance of moisture, and a fresh coat of white wash applied as often as twice a year to the walls and ceiling. A small dark storage room may be partitioned from the lighter one, neither need be spacious, but the wall space of each should be so utilized with shelves and drawers as to furnish ample facilities for the greatest needs.

As the cold temperature of the winter is unfavorable to the bacterial growth, during the winter months we have simply to guard against freezing, but the summer preservation is a more complex problem.

The most superior method of cooling food (though usually impractical in the ordinary home) is by the Ice Machine. The ice chest or refrigerator is the common resort. According to one plan the ice is placed in a top compartment, below which are cupboards for the food; in the other both ice and food are kept in the same compartment. The former is preferable, being more economical in the ice utilization, and gives no possibility of food and ice contact. A most convenient ice box is one constructed on the shady outside wall of a kitchen. It may be refilled with ice from the outside through a small opening. Drainage by pipes is saving in time and labor but such should never be connected with the house sewer, even though a good trap is provided. We must not forget

that no matter how cold the refrigerator may be, it is never free from dampness, which is one requisite to the growth of bacteria. In the proper care of an ice box there are three essentials, namely, keeing the drain pipes clean, instant removal of anything spilled, and a full supply of ice. Further care than the daily wiping out of the food compartments with a dry cloth, so that no food crumbs or drops of liquid are allowed to accumulate, and a weekly scalding of the entire apparatus is necessary. The use of a strong solution of salsoda in cleansing is effective, especially in connection with the pipe and its fixtures. The ice may be protected from the heat of the walls, and the dirt collected as the ice melts by wrapping the chunk in a cloth before placing it in the recepticle. Every food of pronounced odor should be covered if placed in the refrigerator and under no conditions should canned goods be allowed to remain in the cans after opening.

draws the heat from surrounding objects may suggest many methods of lowering the temperature during hot summer m months. Thus food may be kept for some time by wrapping the utensil or by covering its top with a thick cloth kept moist by some dripping device; only lowering the food in a pail into a well, or placing in a larger utensil filled with water. Another means is by surrounding the recepticle containing the food, which has been reduced to a low temperature by some nonconductable substance,

thus retaining the first temperature.

A box fastened just outside the window, lined with asbestos to equalize extreme temperature and oilcloth to make easy of cleaning, with as many shelves as desirable will be of great convenience during both winter and summer.

The subject of cleanliness in markets as well as other public places of marketing and eating, while disturbing to dwell upon, should not be neglected for indeed it has a most direct bearing upon comfort and health and may be best regulated by public sentiment.

We are slow to realize the fact that people have a right to the information which will enable them to patronize the clean sanitary shops and avoid those otherwise conditioned.

Pure food laws and special health board inspection are doing much to improve the state of affairs, but there is yet vast room for advancement, and until there are more stringent inspection laws food as it reaches our homes will be an object of suspicion. Better laws than are now enforced are impossible until sanctioned and made by public sentiment. The desire for such regulations comes first from a knowledge of existing conditions, and an appreciation of the actual need of improvement. Hence the necessary steps for the advancement and progress of the country upon this phase of economic welfare, rests largely with the people. Their action depends upon the enlightment gained from reading, study, practical application of their knowledge and careful consideration of the

problem as it really is, in a broad fair minded attitude, until the correct and wholly adequate solution is reached both in theory and practice.