Ecuador: The Aymes of Tingo

ONE WEEK'S FOOD IN SEPTEMBER

* Homegrown

Grains & Other Starchy Foods: \$17.40

white potatoes, 100 lb
white rice, broken, 50 lb, cheaper than
whole rice.
ground wheat,* 15 lb
corn flour, 10 lb
white flour, fine, 10 lb
green pea flour, 8 lb
white flour, coarse, 6 lb

Note: The Aymes normally grow their own potatoes and corn, but have none to harvest at this time of year.

They have eaten the last of their homegrown barley.

Dairy:

Milk, 1.8 gal, from family cows; only part of the week's supply is shown in the photograph.

Meat, Fish & Eggs:

none.

Fruits, Vegetables & Nuts: \$11.25

as they are cheaper that way.

plantains, 13.4 lb yellow bananas, 6.2 lb, *purchased over-ripe*

oranges, 3.6 lb lemons, 2.5 lb Andean blackberries, 1 lb lentils, 10 lb carrots, 3.6 lb red onions, 3 lb leeks, 2 lb lettuce, 1 head

Condiments: \$2.90

Brown sugar, 11 lb, purchased as a cake, used for sweetening coffee and eaten as candy.

salt, 1.5 lb vegetable oil, 16.9 fl oz cilantro, 1 bunch

Beverages:

stinging nettle, 1 small bunch, *gathered* wild for tea.

corn silk, 1 handful, boiled in water for both tea and medicine.

spring water, carried by hand, for drinking and cooking.

Food Expenditure for One Week: \$31.55