

WARNS HOUSEWIVES NOT TO HOARD FOOD

Fair Price Committee Says Actual Shortage Thus Might Be Created.

HYLAN HUNTS FOR CACHE

Directs Fire Department to Make Building Inspection and Report Results.

"Don't buy foodstuffs in quantities beyond your reasonable needs."

This is the first official recommendation of the Fair Price Committee in its campaign to put the brakes down hard on high prices of eatables.

The Board of Health is discovered hoarding, profiteering or otherwise misusing this privilege.

The Board of Health issues permits to dealers in dry goods and frozen eggs.

The recommendation was made public following a preliminary conference in the Chamber of Commerce.

Profiteers Seeking Cover. That food profiteers already are getting afraid of the moral steam roller that is being rolled up to flatten out dealers without conscious hoarding.

Federal authorities were pleased yesterday to hear that the Hyland directing Thomas J. Brennan, Fire Commissioner, to have an inspection made by his department of all storage warehouses.

Hidden in Old Buildings. It long has been known that men willing to take chances in the past filled old buildings, never intended as store houses with foodstuffs.

It would suggest, the Mayor wrote, "to have inspectors make an investigation of all buildings."

Ben A. Matthews, Assistant United States Attorney, said yesterday he has reviewed several specific complaints.

Uncle Sam turned "apple pedler" yesterday, and his assistants, soldiers and sailors, had a merry time as stockholders in the "apple peddling" business.

One wholesaler who did not quite understand offered to buy the whole load of apples at \$4 a box.

There was such a rush of officials of municipalities to buy canned vegetables, meats, etc., that Capt. Hebblewhite was compelled to shut down on sales yesterday and to-day.

"It was absolutely necessary for us to stop taking orders," he said, "so we could take time to get the apples out just exactly where we stand. It has been most remarkable the way the municipalities have taken to the Government's offer of surplus army foodstuffs."

The biggest kind of business was done yesterday in the retailing of army blankets.

The sale of the blankets was a success in every detail.

Over in Brooklyn some Republicans are actually playing politics in the distribution of army foodstuffs.

William Mulry, Deputy Commissioner of Public Markets, went across the bridge yesterday to assist Mr. Livingston and his fellow Republicans to join in the good work.

"No," Mr. Livingston replied, "the time is too short between now and Monday to organize any committee."

You appeared before the Democratic executive committee some days ago and invited to the man and women to help.

Federal Food Administrator Williams said yesterday that when his fair price committee meets next week, probably on Monday or Wednesday.

A Mitchell Palmer, Attorney-General, may be present. Fair price committees are being organized in counties in this State by Deputy Federal Food Administrator.

QUESTIONNAIRE TO 'NAIL' PROFITEER

Mrs. C. D. Hirst, Speaking for Club Women of Country, Warns Retailers.

EVERY HOUSEWIFE TO ACT Will Pray Secret Facts and Figures From Food Dealers by Quiz.

Now, Retailer, to the questionnaire! Make confession to the consumer!

If the grocer and butchers of the country should all have a nightmare to-night—the same nightmare—and if there is anything in the theory that warnings come in dreams, the nightmare of these retail dealers would surely take this form:

A large woman of threatening aspect with a market basket on her arm, completely filling the vision of the gasping dreamer and waving before them a list of questions about profits, etc., which if they answer they will be incriminated and if they fail to answer they will be let out and shot at sunrise.

Not that the reality will be as bad as that. But it's sausages to breakfasts that will be the food profiteers.

Of course, he added this on the price. "Women must learn these things and learn to tell when the retailer is making a just defence and when he is trying to put it over on her—so many of them do."

Jersey Prosecutors Will Aid Food Fight Offer Their Services to Federal Government.

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18 Cent Sugar Causes First Jersey Arrest

THE first arrest in New Jersey for alleged profiteering in sugar was made yesterday by United States Marshal Eitelson.

The accused is Samuel Blaese, who conducts a small grocery store at 126 Prince street, Newark, in the heart of the tenement house district.

He is charged with violating the Food Control Act by charging 18 cents a pound for sugar, whereas the fair retail price is only 11 cents.

Blaese was held by United States Commissioner Mooney in \$1,000 bail for hearing.

Three fifty pounds bags of sugar were found in Blaese's store.

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SWIFT DENIES HE'S FOOD SPECULATOR

Says Company Has Observed Federal Law.

CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—Louis F. Swift, President of Swift & Co., in replying to the charges made against the Chicago packers said:

"Swift & Co. have never stored food for speculative purposes, but only to meet the public demand for certain commodities throughout the year."

"When the Federal food regulation law was adopted by Congress in August, 1917, the Washington authorities interpreted it to mean that surplus food could be stored for a period not exceeding twelve months even in States where surplus periods were provided by State laws."

"We have followed the rulings of the Food Administration in every respect."

"We have never at any time shipped food from Cleveland to Chicago or vice versa to manipulate prices, deceive people or to keep food off the market."

"The Federal Food Storage Company in Chicago denied to-day that foodstuffs had been shipped from their plant to a Cleveland cold storage warehouse, ready to be shipped to the westward to the Cleveland house agent."

"They deny that their concern performs a public utility service and that no record is kept of the locality from where shipments are received or sent."

"They deny that they have a description of the commodity and the date of the receipt and delivery is kept, they said."

Federal officials to-day continued their search for food hoarders and profiteers among wholesalers and retailers.

Assistant District Attorney R. A. Milroy at seizure of surplus sugar stores and other commodities.

"Although prices in many commodities are going down as the investigation proceeds, it is not to be expected that the profiteers will be able to escape responsibility for their dealings in the past."

Prosecution will not be forestalled by sudden lowering of prices.

Big Food Seizures Made in St. Louis U. S. Deputy Marshals Visit Cold Storage Plant.

Special Dispatch to The Sun. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 15.—Deputy United States Marshals seized yesterday the following foodstuffs in storage at the Booth Cold Storage Company's warehouse.

Four hundred and nineteen thousand nine hundred and seventeen pounds of creamery butter, 21,209 pounds of stick butter, 11,887 pounds of creamery butter, 11,887 pounds of creamery butter, 11,887 pounds of creamery butter.

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