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**Women Continue Food Riots as Relief for City Is Sought**

**CHARITY EXPERTS BEGIN POVERTY SURVEY IN CITY**

East Side Babies Get Stale Tea Instead of Milk, Investigators Find

200 WORKERS TO AID IN MAYOR'S CANVASS

High Mortality Feared as Result of Eating Decayed Vegetables

**Secret Service Men Seek Proof of \$20,000 Purse for Food Disorders**

Agents of the Department of Justice under Captain William M. O'Leary were investigating yesterday the report that a fund of \$20,000 was deposited by agents of the Central Powers with a New York bank to pay agitators to stir food riots.

According to the report, the \$20,000 was distributed to six men, headed by an East Side dentist. The dentist has denied any connection with the matter or knowledge of the existence of such a fund. Other persons concerned have also entered denials. As the story ran, two women, said to be leaders of the agitators, received part of the money, one, it is alleged, getting \$2,000 for inciting the march on the City Hall last Tuesday.

Expressing indignation, "Sweet Marie" Ganz, who was arrested following the descent on the City Hall, expressed her indignation yesterday that any women's leader should be accused of taking money for her efforts.

"Such a story is ridiculous," she asserted. "What a silly, stupid thing to say that these hungry people are traitors, bought up by a foreign government! These women are hungry and their children are hungry, and they didn't need any leaders to make them do what they did."

"The way I happened to lead the women to the City Hall Tuesday was this: I was on my way to work that morning, when I saw women upsetting milk carts and throwing away potatoes and onions. They were enraged because the peddlers had raised prices. I quieted the women and told them the peddlers were not to blame. The women wanted me to talk to them and I took them to Rutgers Square. There I told them the best thing for them to do was to lay their case peacefully before the Mayor. They asked me to go to the City Hall with them and I consented, but warned them they must be very quiet and orderly."

Police Spotted Plans  
"There would have been no trouble if the police had not angered the women by barring the doors in their faces and beginning to shove them about."

"Sweet Marie's" protestations were looked upon with some doubt by Mrs. Julia Schkowitz, a member of one of the mothers' committees that protested to Mayor Mitchell on Wednesday. She said that the members of her committee had decided to drop "Sweet Marie."

"Our committee wants to be peaceful," she explained, "because we do not believe anything is to be gained by rioting. Agitators like Marie Ganz are making trouble and put a bad face on the whole movement."

**Mothers Threaten Strike in Schools**

Women Will Keep Their Children at Home if Officials Refuse Their Plea for Lower Prices of Food

While a score of women in the tenement districts of New York were being arrested yesterday for rioting against high food prices, the sub-committee of the Mothers' Anti-High Price League, in session at Forward Hall, 175 East Broadway, decided to keep children from the public schools unless the city found a remedy.

This determination was announced by Mrs. Hannah Pastor, who said that children would be permitted to attend school to-day. Whether they will be permitted to attend school Monday will be conditional on what is accomplished at the meeting of the Board of Estimate this morning, when a committee of 100 women, composed of various organizations throughout the city, under the leadership of A. I. Shipplough, Socialist Assemblyman from Brownsville, will ask for immediate relief in the shape of a \$1,000,000 appropriation to purchase food.

The committee will start from Forward Hall at 9:50 this morning. Speakers will place before the board a report of the actual conditions prevailing in the districts particularly affected.

**Plan Parade to-morrow**  
Whatever the outcome of the meeting, a demonstration will be held at noon to-morrow. Jacob Panken, the Socialist lawyer assisting the Mothers' Anti-High Price League, said yesterday that thousands of women would march to Madison Square Park and from there parade past the homes of the wealthy on Fifth Avenue. The original plan to invade Wall Street was abandoned, because the financial district closes at noon on Saturdays.

**50 CARS OF FLOUR ROADS RUSH CARS ON WAY TO CITY TO END SHORTAGE**

First Capacity Trainload Started from Minneapolis for New York

Holiday Offers Opportunity to Clear Out Congested Yards in East

Washington, Feb. 22.—A train of fifty cars, loaded beyond their estimated capacity with the equivalent of 22,500 barrels of flour, left Minneapolis to-night for New York City. A similar consignment will follow soon.

This is the beginning of the movement to relieve the serious food situation in the East, and especially in New York. It was made possible by the recent order of the Interstate Commerce Commission for all Eastern roads to supply 800 empty cars a week at Chicago, to be stocked at Minneapolis. All trains are to be sent through Chicago to their final destination, without delay or reduction to their freightage.

To-day's flour train will go over the Chicago, Minneapolis & Omaha road to Chicago, and thence by the New York Central to its destination. Other special trains to go out to-morrow will leave over the St. Paul road to Chicago, thence by the Pennsylvania line to Pittsburgh, over the Wisconsin Central and Baltimore & Ohio to Philadelphia, over the Burlington and Pennsylvania for New York City, Omaha and New York Central for Boston and New England points and over the Chicago Great Western and Baltimore & Ohio for Pittsburgh.

Grain and mill-by-product specials, each of fifty cars loaded to maximum, now being made up in Minneapolis yards will go to Boston and New England points over the Chicago Great Western and the New York Central, over the Burlington and Pennsylvania and over the Omaha and Michigan Central and the Lackawanna and Delaware, over the Burlington and Pennsylvania for New York City, Omaha and New York Central for Boston and New England points and over the Chicago Great Western and Baltimore & Ohio for Pittsburgh.

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Representative Bailey Urges Embargo—Lays Shortage to Exports.

**GRAIN EXPORTS DECREASE HERE**

Shipments from Four Eastern Ports Shrink Greatly in February

RAIL ASSOCIATION ISSUES ANALYSIS

Recent Good Weather Has Helped Situation, Statement Says

Decrease in the volume of grain exported from the ports of New York and Baltimore in February, as compared with December and January, and increases at Boston and Philadelphia are shown in data made public yesterday by the car service commission of the American Railway Association. A general decrease in all other classes of freight delivered to ships is also shown.

The total shipments of grain from the four ports in the first half of February were approximately 5,000,000 bushels, or at the rate of 16,000,000 bushels a month, compared with 29,000,000 in January and 58,000,000 in December. The amount of wheat awaiting export at the four ports totaled 12,500,000 bushels, a decrease in the stock on hand from 16,500,000 in January and 47,000,000 in December.

The American Railway Association, through its commission on car service, has just compiled data to show the effect of the recent decrease in the number of sailings from Eastern ports—New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore—on the quantity of exports freight delivered to vessels. These reports also show the amount of export freight on hand at the Eastern ports and the export freight for which embargoes were lifted on special permit.

**CHICAGO PLEADS FOR MORE CARS**

Hold-Up of Grain Held Responsible for Soaring Prices in the East

Chicago, Feb. 22.—A telegram in which there were traces of apology for the belligerent tone of one sent yesterday was sent to the Interstate Commerce Commission to-day by Joseph P. Griffin, president of the Chicago Board of Trade.

"We recognize fully," reads the message, "the respect due your honorable body, and if I have been emphatic in my statements you will understand it is because of the desperate plight in which we find ourselves at this time."

Mr. Griffin and the board's traffic committee conferred yesterday on the question of going into the courts or of appealing to Congress for prompt, dictatorial action to straighten out matters.

**Weather Helps Railroads**

In giving out these figures the spokesman for the association said that the freight situation shows much improvement, largely because of the fact that four days of unusually favorable weather had been had during the week. This, it was stated, had served to improve conditions generally, but particularly in the section about Buffalo. The weather element, however, will be a factor until after March 1, experience showing that delays and blockades due to weather conditions are at their worst at that time.

The association issued a formal answer to the charge made by J. P. Griffin, president of the Chicago Board of Trade, that the roads are giving preference in moving freight to those classes paying largest revenues. In this statement it was asserted that Chicago grain shippers had informed the commission that they were being fairly treated, but asked for guarantees that had not been given to any other class of shippers.

Dr. Samuel Hart III  
Middletown, Conn., Feb. 22.—The Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart, dean of Berkeley Divinity School and secretary of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States since 1892, is critically ill of pneumonia to-day.

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**KANSAS CITY PRICES FAR LOWER THAN NEW YORK'S**

Bread Alone High There—Cabbage Up from \$8 to \$180 a Ton

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 22.—With the possible exception of bread, retail food prices in Kansas City, despite the unprecedented recent advances, still are considerably lower than in Chicago and New York and other Eastern cities where the food situation has become acute. Throughout almost the entire