

"GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD," BUT DON'T CHEAT US

The multi-million dollar Ward Baking Co., biggest bakers of bread in the world, whose loaves are eaten by over a million people a day in New York and Chicago alone, was named as cheap cheaters yesterday by City Sealer Morris Eller. The firm has been selling a loaf marked "three-fourths pound," which weighs under 12 ounces.

The city sealed asked Corporation Counsel Sam Ettelson for legal advice on what to do. Sam told Eller not to do anything at present in the line of court action. But Eller sent out another squad of investigators to get more evidence against the bread thieves.

Other cheaters were uncovered, but they were invariably found to be large bakers. Not one little baker was crooked.

Eller said yesterday that he might wait for the office of Corporation Counsel Ettelson to get in its work, or he may not. If he decides to go ahead suits may be filed in the municipal court today. The short-weight loaf is a violation of a city ordinance.

Eller's investigation started when State's Att'y Hoyne, U. S. Att'y Clyne and aldermen of the city council were stirred into action by a statement of bakers in convention here that they were going to pull the nickel loaf, favorite of the poor class, off the market. It was rumored that they would refuse to sell bread to any grocer who persisted in selling the small loaf.

The bakers insisted they were facing ruin unless something was done to give them more profit. But Congressman Rainey of Illinois in a Washington statement three weeks ago said that some of the largest bakeries of Chicago were subsidized by the packers and that the bread boost was ordered so the people would forget the boost in the price

of meat. Rainey asked an investigation.

Two housewives' leagues, represented by Mrs. Julian Heath of the national organization and Mrs. John Bley of the local league, met U. S. Att'y Clyne yesterday and asked him for action. He answered them by calling Paul Schulze of the Schulze Baking Co. and Fred Barnheisel of H. H. Kohlsaat Co. to his office. The books of the bakers are going to be examined by Clyne. If the poverty claim was bunk it will be shown, he says.

The Daily News slammed the name of the Ward Co. in a headline on the front page yesterday. But the Ward Co. has not advertised in the trust press lately.

Wrapping paper charges have increased so much lately that it costs a butcher about a cent to wrap and tie every parcel of meat was the claim of the United Master Butchers of Chicago yesterday in a meeting.

A federal investigation of the high cost of paper was asked. Housewives were asked to bring basket to market as less paper is needed then.

New York, Sept. 13.—Size of loaf of bread has been steadily diminishing and, unless flour and other ingredients become cheaper, bakers promise greater reduction. Loaves now two ounces under normal weight.

Cleveland.—One man perhaps fatally injured, several others had narrow escapes in cave-in in new waterworks tunnel two and half miles from shore and 65 feet under bottom of Lake Erie.

New York.—Will of Wm. W. Lawrence, pres. Nat'l Lead Co., leaves \$1,000,000 to Princeton.

Greensboro, Md.—Lady Eglantine, world's most famous hen, who laid 315 eggs in year, dead.

Plattsburg, N. Y.—Chas. E. Hughes ended 39-day transcontinental tour with speech to 2,000 here last night.