

BALTIMORE PLANS TO ROUND UP ITS WEALTHY LOAFERS

BALTIMORE, Aug. 23.—Following a conference between the police board, Police Marshal Carter, Director M. H. Hone, of the compulsory work law bureau, and Assistant Attorney General Periman, steps are being taken for the immediate rounding up of loafers, and men who seem to regard the law as a joke. In three days his clerks have registered only seventy-nine men.

There are two elements that are not showing up, the court clerk said. One includes the panhandlers, beggars, and saloon loafers, and the other the street corner dude, the afternoon cabaret frequenter, and dress-

Own Poison Gas Is Fatal to German Troops Near Verdun

PARIS, Aug. 23.—A number of German soldiers near Moronvillers (Champagne front) were asphyxiated by their own poison gas when shells from French artillery destroyed a number of rest-houses containing the deadly vapors, says a press dispatch from a correspondent behind the French lines today.

ed up young men who seem well supplied with money and clothes, but who are never seen at work.

MORE PROMOTIONS MADE.

Promotions in the various branches of the military service are being made on a wholesale scale these days. In the cavalry arm 131 men were advanced to higher grades yesterday. The promotions included the elevation of a lieutenant colonel to colonel, twelve majors to lieutenant colonel, thirteen captains to major, and 100 first lieutenants to captain.

LIBERTY LOAF OF 16 OUNCES FOR 6 CENTS, IS WAR PLAN

By BILL PRICE.

A minimum weight of sixteen ounces net for loaves of bread throughout the United States is to be the eventual decision of the national food administrator, according to the information and belief today of big bakers, including a number of those in Washington.

Frequent consultations held recently with representatives of the master bakers of the country by high officials under Herbert Hoover lead to the definite conclusion that one of the next most important steps by Mr. Hoover after fixing a price for wheat will be that of fixing a minimum loaf, that minimum to be sixteen ounces of baked bread.

Conduct Experiments Here. With the view to taking action as quickly as possible, the food administration has been gathering information from all parts of the country, and is conducting important experiments here, assisted by the Bureau of Chemistry, of the Department of Agriculture. Two Washington bakers have opened their establishments for these experiments, which are being made entirely under the supervision and control of the officials of the two governmental institutions. These experiments, it is stated, are widespread in their nature.

The bakers of Washington and of the country generally—for the final action of Mr. Hoover will affect them all—do not know whether the decision will attempt to name prices at which a one-pound loaf may be sold with reasonable profit, or whether the sale of this standard size bread will be allowed to adjust itself through the usual channels of competition.

The conclusion drawn by the bakers is that no price will be fixed, owing to different grades of flour and different prices due to freight rates. These factors will enter into any attempt to name prices, unless these are fixed to suit various sections of the country, as the President has done in the case of coal.

Cash Sales Only. The understanding is that the food administrator will decide upon a one-pound loaf, to be known everywhere as the "Liberty Loaf," or some other appropriate name. To enable the bakers to sell this loaf at the lowest reasonable figures the agreement is to be that it shall be unwrapped and sold over the counter for cash, with no returns to the bakers by dealers. The loaf will bear the insignia or emblem, of the food department, as a guarantee to purchasers. Bakers who may not play fair with the food administration will find this emblem withdrawn from them, and the news given to the public.

The bakers, who are represented in Washington by an inner council empowered to act in their behalf, declare their purpose to co-operate in every way with the food administration. The one-pound loaf will be satisfactory to them. The object of the Government being to conserve the wheat supply of the country, they were of the opinion today that a sixteen-ounce loaf is the best medium.

They asserted that the public seeks volume in bread and the bakers also want that volume. It is not so easily obtained in loaves of a smaller unit. Comparatively, they say, the waste in sugar and fats, and through evapora-

Odds Two to One For Peace By End Of September, 1918

LONDON, Aug. 23.—The financial expert of the Times writes: "A rate of 50 per cent has been accepted in the insurance market to cover payment of a total loss claim should peace be not declared by September 30, 1918."

In other words, the insurers get 50 per cent in any case, but if there is no peace by that date they pay a hundred, thus losing 50.

tion is greater in a loaf of smaller size.

Keeps Fresh Longer.

The claim is put forth that the one-pound loaf is not only more economical from the standpoint of material and fermentation, but will retain its moisture, freshness and wholesomeness much longer.

It was stated today, by an authority in close touch with the food administration, that the use of mixed flour for bread in this country has been abandoned for the present, and probably for the future. The millers will not be called upon to make flour out of wheat, corn, oats, and other grain, as is being done in Europe. The reason is that conditions in the United States are dissimilar to those in Europe, where the flour reaches the baker quickly, and where he lays in no supplies ahead. Mixed flour, it has been ascertained, would spoil in a comparatively short period.

To Be All-Wheat Flour.

Therefore for a long time to come American people will have bread of wheat flour. Experiments show that the mixed flour lowers the food value of bread, it is said.

Much the same difficulty confronts the food administration on bread as has come up regarding coal; that is, whether the small baker will be able to compete with the big one. That Mr. Hoover knows, or will know, what it is costing to make bread in the United States at this time; that he knows well what profits the bakers are acquiring, and that when he acts it will be with the idea of cutting off big profits for the benefit of the people, was made today in his statement that all the facts are being gathered.

Call 6 Cents Fair Price.

Letters and telegrams have been going to Mr. Hoover declaring that a one-pound loaf of bread can be made in most cities of the country to sell for 6 cents and allow fair profit to the bakers. In response to one of these telegrams, Mr. Hoover has sent this reply:

"We have been investigating baking costs in different parts of the country, but have not accumulated sufficient data to provide a basis for a sound conclusion. It is obvious we cannot make a decision until the price of wheat has been determined." It is expected the price of wheat will be set within a short time, and then will follow prompt action on the question of the bread supply. In the same connection will be valuable suggestions as to cutting down cake and pastry baking in the households of the nation. Bakers have pointed out to the food administration that there is terrific waste of flour through cooking of sweets, with a consequent lessening of the health of the people.

BLOODTHIRSTY THIEF TAKES \$130 IN WEAPONS

Rifles Sporting Goods Store While Burglar Alarm Rings.

The police are searching today for a burglar armed with \$130 worth of revolvers and knives. Burglar alarms and iron barred windows meant nothing to this burglar when he visited Walford's sporting goods store, at 900 Pennsylvania avenue.

The intruder climbed up the bars on the lower windows in the rear to the third floor, forced an entrance, descended to the second floor, and then applied his "jimmy" to the door leading down into the store.

In gaining entrance, the thief set off the burglar alarm system, and two boys from the company's office hurried to the store. They could see no one inside when they arrived, however, and police headquarters was not notified. The boys waited until Mr. Walford arrived, when it was discovered the thief had taken enough revolvers and pen knives to equip a small army.

HETTY GREEN'S SON TOSSES COINS TO SEASIDE NYMPHS

GLEN COVE, L. I., Aug. 23.—Col. Edward H. R. Green and his bride are spending their honeymoon on board his big yacht, the United States, at anchor in Hempstead harbor, and the boys and girls of Seaside and Glen Cove fear that he is rapidly dissipating the fortune of \$50,000,000 left to him by his mother, Mrs. Hetty Green. But they do not care much as they are getting most of the money as squandered by picking it off the bottom of the sound.

Every day, nearly, Colonel Green gets careless, orders a steam launch lowered from the United States, and, sometimes accompanied by his bride, runs over to the beach where the boys and girls are at play in the water. They eagerly await his arrival for they knew that coins are to be thrown into the water.

Wrapping a coin in a piece of wet paper so it will be more visible under water, Colonel Green of the cast it overboard. Then the fun begins.

EMBRYO OFFICERS MAY MARCH IN D. C. PARADE

Troops from the officers' training camp at Fort Myer probably will participate in the parade to be held in honor of the District's quota in the national army.

A conference regarding the plans was held today between Maj. Gen. Joseph E. Kuhn, grand marshal of the military section; Alexander Wolf, chairman of the committee of arrangements of the Board of Trade; M. A. Leese, chairman of the committee of arrangements of the Retail Merchants' Association; and Corcoran Thom, vice chairman of the Chamber of Commerce committee.

PASTOR WOULD OUST LA FOLLETTE AND 'GANG'

That Senator La Follette and "his gang" should be summarily dealt with by the American people "because they aid the Kaiser by their traitorous words and actions," is the belief of the Rev. H. E. Martin, pastor of Wesley Chapel, and prominently connected with the Home Defense League of the District. Dr. Martin was the principal speaker at a meeting under the auspices of the Home Defense League of the Sixth precinct, held last night in Gonzaga Hall. Addresses also were made by Dr. A. M. A. Merril, William J. Neal, and James McCarthy.

PETWORTH CITIZENS FILE RAY RESOLUTION

Resolution adopted by the Petworth Citizens' Association endorsing Charles W. Ray for District Commissioner, were filed at the White House today by C. J. James, president, and Jesse Suter, secretary of the association. It was said at the White House today that a number of letters endorsing various candidates are being received there and that they will be submitted to President Wilson when he is ready to act on the commissionarship.

SO, CHEER UP, KINGDON!

Of course Kingdon Gould may know what he is talking about when he says nobody knows how poor he is. But certainly he isn't as poor as his grandpa was at the same age.

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BOY ASKS \$35,000 FOR LOSS OF ARM

Damages amounting to \$35,000 are asked by Albert Ecton through his mother, Henrietta Ecton, against the Marvin S. Young Company, in a suit instituted yesterday in the District Supreme Court.

The claim presented for young Ecton charges that on December 23, 1916, he was in the employ of the de-

pendant in its establishment near Rhode Island avenue and the Baltimore and Ohio railroad operating a printing press driven by an electric motor when the fly-wheel of the press struck a foot causing him to lose his footing and his left hand and arm to be thrown between the cylinders of the press.

The accident caused Ecton to lose his left arm. It is asserted, through Attorneys Wilton J. Lambert and George D. Sullivan, that the company was negligent in failing to provide a guard around the dangerous parts of the press and the fly-wheel.

CAMALIER GETS BERTH IN BROWNLOW'S OFFICE

C. W. Camalier, clerk in the office of D. J. Donovan, secretary to the Board of Commissioners, today was appointed private secretary to Commissioner Louis Brownlow to succeed Dewitt C. Smith. Mr. Smith entered the second officers' training camp at Fort Myer today. Mr. Camalier was born in Washington and is a graduate of the Business High School and George Washington University.

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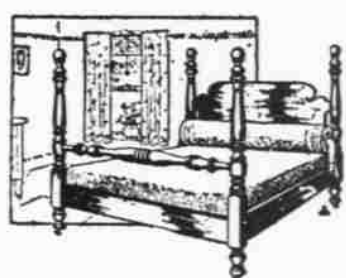
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