

Sugar Back to Terra Firma; Will The Others Come Down?



Sugar is Now Relatively Lower Than It Was Thirty Years Ago

FROM thirty cents a pound to six cents a pound!

That is the startling drop that sugar has made since the war. It is the one conspicuous food staple that has gotten back to its pre-war level.

The economy of sugar as an energy producer is shown by the statement of Dr. W. D. Horne, well-known chemist. He says that the same amount of energy which we get from sugar at 6 cents a pound would cost 9 cents if obtained from rice, 14 cents from bread, 21 cents from butter or potatoes, 30 cents from bacon, 40 cents from milk, and 68 cents from beefsteak.

Thirty years ago, with sugar at five cents a pound and wages of common labor at a dollar a day of ten hours work, a man worked half an hour to earn the price of a pound of sugar. Today at \$2.50 for eight hours work, and sugar six cents a pound, he need work but 12 minutes. Here is one food that is relatively cheaper than in the "good old days."

Our annual consumption of sugar has jumped from 8 pounds per capita in the days of our great grandparents to almost 80 pounds a year at the present time. At 6 cents a pound, the annual sugar bill is \$3.40. If all foods were as cheap per unit of energy as sugar, a person could live a year with a total food bill of \$34.35.

Think of the satisfaction of eating for a week and having to pay a "meal ticket" of only 66 cents!

Except during the extraordinary years of 1918, 1919, and 1920, the price of sugar has been steadily declining since the early '90s, in the face of rising prices on nearly every other article of food. The fact that the sugar refining industry has been carried on by large competing units has undoubtedly contributed to this result.

Despite the large quantity of sugar that the average American eats each year, he is decidedly outstripped by the Australian who consumes 129 pounds per annum to our 90. In Great Britain also the consumption is slightly larger, being 91 pounds per capita.

In view of the outstanding economy of sugar as the energy producer par excellence, is it advisable for the American family table to offer more sugar in its daily ration? Dr. Horne thinks it is. He says:

"We in the United States can probably increase our consumption of sugar 20 or 30 per cent with safety." Herbert Hoover told a war congress that sugar is a binding material around which the entire cuisine revolves. Sugar is coming to be appreciated as the king of energy producers. According to Dr. Woods Hutchinson, sugar, not bread, is the staff of life.

ANOTHER WITNESS OF SLAYING

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The investigation by Senator Tom Watson, Georgia, Democrat, of a report that five Richmond, Va., men could testify that they saw Lieut. Col. H. L. Ople, of Staunton, Va., kill one or more of his own men in France, produced results today. Watson received a telegram from Charles W. Box, Richmond, who declares he saw Ople kill a messenger. His telegram reads:

"As per your request I wish to state that I was standing within a half a block of where Major Ople was standing in the Argonne Forest, north of Verdun, when I saw a private, one of the 143rd men, approach Major Ople and deliver a message. This man was in the drive which started October 31st. It was either October 31st or 30th, I am not positive about the date.

The private turned to leave and Major Ople drew his automatic from his holster and shot the man in the back. The man fell dead. The other man standing near me saw the killing. One of them was Sergeant Chas-

kane from New Jersey. He turned and asked me if I saw it. I said I did.

"I am absolutely sure of what I am saying and am willing to make it a matter of record."

WANTED SON KILLED.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) ELIZABETH.—That her husband, Henry, during the recent World War, frequently expressed the desire that the Germans would kill their oldest son, serving in the United States Army, that her husband was pro-German and that he frequently beat her are claims made in the answer filed by Mrs. Martha Henry, of Amherst, to the divorce proceedings instituted by Henry, marking the end of thirty-four years of married life.

ARMY JOSHES NAVY

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) NEW YORK.—Army officers are poking fun at the device on the cap of naval officers showing the navy eagle with "eyes left." The soldiers tell the sailors that the bird is running away.

If the sun were extinguished suddenly we should not be aware of the fact until eight minutes eighteen seconds afterward.

The actual weight of the human brain or the size of the head is no sign of special intelligence.

It is now possible to send a crewless vessel as far as radio impulses will carry. The same means can be used in sending a giant torpedo against a foe regardless of how far distant the enemy might be, provided he is within reach of the radio.

MONKEY FUR TRIMS LOVELY NEGLIGEE



Exquisitely beautiful is this tea gown or negligee developed in mauve chiffon and trimmed with the unusual, at least for such a costume, monkey fur. Mauve plumes in the back, being drawn from one shoulder to the other. Brocaded chiffon velvet makes the long train which hangs from the shoulders.

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I RESOLVE -
THAT DURING THE COMING YEAR,
I WILL DO MY BEST TOWARD PUTTING
THE SKIDS UNDER OLD BOY CLOOM-
TO FIND THE WEAK SPOT IN YOUR
FUNNY BONE AND TO TICKLE IT,
TO DO MY BEST TO PLEASE THE
READERS OF THIS PAPER
TO NOT WALLOP PETE (NO, I TAKE
THAT BACK) - SIGNED -
Hank

I RESOLVE -
THAT IN THE YEAR THAT WILL SOON BE HERE
I WILL ACT AS CRAZY AS A BEDBUG
(WHICH WON'T BE AT ALL DIFFICULT)
TO TRY TO STRETCH YOUR SMILER
EVERY DAY -
TO TRY TO PLEASE YOU BECAUSE I
LIKE THIS TOWN AND I WANT TO
STICK AROUND -
TO NOT AGGRAVATE HANK (LIKE FUN)
- SIGNED -
Pete

NEW YEAR'S EVE
AND I RESOLVE
TO SEE THAT THEY
KEEP THEIR RESOLUTIONS -
SIGNED -
Ray I. Hoppman
ME TOO

HANK and PETE

A HAPPY NEW YEAR
THE OLD YEAR HAS DEPARTED,
HERE'S WELCOME TO THE NEW,
WE HOPE THAT IT HAS STARTED
A YEAR OF JOY FOR YOU
MAY HAPPINESS PURSUE YOU
THROUGHOUT THE PRESENT YEAR

From Hank and Pete and Hopp-

TO EVERYBODY
WE HOPE IT WILL GIVE TO YOU
CONTENTMENT, JOY AND CHEER,
HERE'S LUCK TO EVERY MORTAL,
PA, MOTHER, DAUGHTER YOU -
JUST CHUCKLE, LAUGH AND CHORTLE
IN NINETEEN-TWENTY-TWO -

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