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FOOD BOARD LIMITS HOLDINGS OF FOOD

NEW RULINGS TO STOP FOOD HOARDING IN COLD STORAGE

Regulations Eliminate Speculation From the Produce Business.

HITS AT THE PROFITEERS

Holdings of Cheese, Butter, Eggs, Poultry Greatly Limited.

Ottawa, April 4.—New regulations of far-reaching importance prepared by the Canada food board and effective from today will eliminate the speculative element from the Canadian produce business. The food board's order definitely limits the quantities of produce which a dealer may own or have in storage for his resale to his reasonable requirements and also makes it impossible for him to carry large quantities of food than are required to provide for his Canadian trade requirements during the season of scant production or supply. The holding of excessive quantities of produce in storage after the expiration of the period of scant production is thus made illegal and subject to heavy penalties.

Monthly reports giving details of supplies on hand, volume of business, profits, etc., will be required. These reports will be in such form that the Canada food board will at all times know the quantity of foodstuffs owned by each dealer. In this way hoarding, speculation and profiteering will be impossible, and the possibility of waste will be kept to the lowest possible point. These reports will also give accurate information as to waste, where waste occurs and profit or loss on various transactions.

The order requires that no person shall own or hold more than 100 lbs. of margarine in greater quantities than are reasonably necessary to supply the dealer's own Canadian trade requirements for a period of sixty days, unless permission is first obtained from the food board.

Limits Egg Holdings.—No person will be permitted, after December 1 in each year, to own or hold more eggs than are necessary to supply his own Canadian trade requirements until March 1 of the following year. On March 1 he must not have more than thirty days' supply. This egg holding is limited to the quantities necessary to supply the dealer's own Canadian trade requirements until March 1 of the following year, on which date the dealer must not have more than fifteen days' requirements.

With these holdings are limited to requirements during the period of scant production, and in January in each year, on which date the dealer must not have more than thirty days' supply. This egg holding is limited to the quantities necessary to supply the dealer's own Canadian trade requirements until March 1 of the following year, on which date the dealer must not have more than fifteen days' requirements.

Holdings of poultry must not exceed the dealer's own Canadian trade requirements until September 1 in each year, on which date the dealer must not have more than thirty days' supply.

Canned Milk.—Similar restrictions are imposed on holdings of condensed or condensed, evaporated or powdered milk, the period of scant production for the purposes of the order expiring on May 1 in each year, on which date the dealer must have more than sufficient for thirty days' requirements.

Produce indefinitely subject to the order of the purchasing agents of Great Britain or her allies may be held in addition to the quantities as limited above.

Board Has Wide Powers.—The order is issued under the new powers granted to the Canada food board, authorizing it to restrict the amount of any kind or kinds of food that may be purchased or held by any person and to make any food or food product purchased or held in excess of the amount so restricted.

Violation of these regulations or obstruction of any officer enforcing or carrying out any of the provisions of these regulations makes the offender liable to a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, or to both fine and imprisonment. The food board also has power to cancel the license of any dealer who does not comply with the regulations.

In case proceedings are instituted at the instance of any municipality or municipal officer, the fine shall be paid to the treasurer of such municipality. When instituted by provincial authority the fine shall go to the provincial treasury.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 50; lowest, 32.

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TOMORROW—FINE AND MILD.

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RUSSIA GATHERS STRONG ARMY; RED ARMY AND HALF TROOPS TO BE LEAD BY THE OLD OFFICERS

Bolsheviki Announce That a Powerful Force Will Be Organized at Once and Fully Equipped.

Moscow, Tuesday, April 2.—Delayed. Russia will form an army of 1,000,000 men, not inferior in power and equipment to the Germans and Japanese, M. Podvoisky, assistant secretary of war, declared today at a conference in Moscow of the various military department heads. This would be the first step in arming the whole Russian nation.

He said the army organization was impossible without the old officers, and outlined a measure to enlist the services of all generals and publish their names, giving to citizens the right to state objections to anyone. M. Podvoisky reported progress in enlistments for the Red Army, which was satisfactory in some places. Since the beginning of the army organization two weeks ago 11,000 have enlisted, and Moscow and Petrograd are properly equipped. Nizhni-Novgorod, Voronezh, Tula, Kaluga, Kostroma, Tchernigov, Kharkov and many other cities report considerable numbers of recruits, many of them former officers.

The great handicap he said was lack of instructors.

Mother and 3 Sons Perish When Flames Burn Prairie Home

Four Victims of Fire Tragedy on Albertan Farm—One Boy Escapes.

Delburne, Alta., April 4.—Mrs. John Donovan and her three sons were burned to death Tuesday night in a fire which completely destroyed her home. One boy escaped, but was badly injured. The fire broke out at 2 o'clock in the morning, and the family was awakened by the flames. The mother and three sons were found dead in the ruins of the home. The boy who escaped was taken to the hospital, but his injuries are so serious that he is expected to die.

CZERNIN LIES AND IS BLUFFING, VIEW OF ENTENTE PRESS

London and New York Papers Call Speech Old Dodge.

MEANS DRIVE FAILURE

Czernin Simply Vassal of Berlin, Where He Is Owned Body and Soul.

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The newspaper asserts that his words show Austria what President Wilson described as the German drive in France. The Tribune agrees with Clemenceau in declaring that Czernin lies, and has always lied, and that the peace overtures to the States were false.

The Times considers the speech as a confession that the German drive has failed, and believes it discloses the wretched plight of Austria.

QUEBEC MURDERER MUST PAY PENALTY TOMORROW

Montreal, April 4.—Romeo Bolduc, who was convicted at Sorel about two months ago of the murder of Zoltique Bourdon, an automobile agent of Longueuil on Aug. 25th last, will be hanged at Sorel on Friday morning. As application for executive clemency has been refused.

COSTA RICA SHAKEN BY ANOTHER REVOLUTION

Managua, Nicaragua, April 2.—A revolution has broken out in Southern Costa Rica. Jorge Vello has invaded Costa Rica territory from Panama. The Costa Rican Government has declared that the Costa Rican Government is not responsible for the actions of the invaders.

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UTILITIES COMMISSION ONLY CIVIC BODY WHICH DID NOT CUT ESTIMATES

City Officials Point To Its Failure To Join Cost Reducing Society and Also To What Is Claimed To Be Deficit in Waterworks Department.

City fathers are today congratulating themselves on their success in bringing the tax rate down to less than last year. Some of them are busy as to how it was achieved. All city officials agree that the effort put forth this year to bring the expenditure down to a minimum was the greatest in the city's history. For a long time it looked as if the rate would be 24 mills or over. There is yet a slight possibility that it will be 22 mills.

Mayor C. R. Somerville is pleased with the result of the estimates. While the expenditures have been reduced to a minimum, and there will be no capital expenditures, the estimates will pay their way. The mayor says he intended that this should be no matter what the rate.

MONSTER TURNOUT OF LONDONERS EXPECTED AT RECEPTION TONIGHT FOR FURLOUGHED MEN OF "FIRST"

Everything Ready For Official Civic Welcome to Men Who Fought Three Years in France.

Tonight London will put forth its best efforts to officially welcome home the fifteen Londoners and as many of the other furloUGHED men of the "First" as are now home on furlough after spending well over three years battling at the front as members of Canada's first contingent to the battlefields of France.

The official welcome will take place in the Armories, and for the most part formality will be absent. There will be a few speeches of welcome by Mayor Somerville and one or two others, but not enough to add to the suffering of the men. A large platform has been erected for the reception, which is headed by Ald. Harley, will generally oversee the affair, help to put the veterans at their ease.

The daughters of the Empire are co-operating and will look after the refreshment end of the event.

The Great War Veterans are expected to turn out in large numbers, as well as the convalescents in the city and at Byron Sanatorium.

MACLEAN, ROBERTSON WILL GET \$7,000 PER

Borden Has Resolution Fixing Salaries of New Ministers.

FORMER PARTNER OF LAVERGNE MADE QUEBEC REGISTRAR

Taschereau, Anti-Conscriptionist, Succeeds Dismissed Gobeil.

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Ottawa, April 4.—It is announced that Allyn Taschereau, formerly public representative on the appeal tribunal of Quebec, has been appointed registrar of the district of Quebec. He was recently dismissed from the position of registrar by the Hon. J. B. Gobeil.

ARMENIANS RECAPTURE ERZERUM FROM TURKS

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