

THE FAIR PRICE REPORT SUBMITTED

Committee Who Investigated Milk Situation Recommend Prices be Sent Department of Labor and Attorney-General.

The Fair Price Committee yesterday presented their report of the investigation into the milk situation in St. John to the City Council.

The report calls attention to the increasing price of the Kings County Milk and Cream Producers' Association, and recommends that copies of the report be sent to the Federal Department of Labor and the Attorney-General of the Province.

Following is the report: To His Worship, the Mayor, and Members of the Common Council: Your Committee, which was appointed to make inquiries into the cost of milk within the City of St. John, begs leave to report as follows:

1.—That evidence was taken on sources of supply, prices, methods of handling and delivery, pasteurizing, bottling vs. open bulk delivery, care of milk when held over, etc. Also information was received that the recently constituted Provincial Health Department has under consideration the inauguration of a system of inspection and certifying of milk which, by co-operation with the local Board of Health and the City Government would ensure that the milk sold in the city would be pure and of good quality and probably without increasing the selling price.

2.—That it appears from the evidence taken: (1) That there is no grading of milk supplied to the city. It is essential that the milk should be sold according to quality. (2) That the sanitary conditions in connection with the open delivery of milk leave much to be desired. The use of closed containers would be preferable.

(3) That the five cents spread allowed by the Dominion Council as between the cost to the dealer delivered in the city and the selling price to the consumer, appears to be adhered to. It is to be noted that the five cents spread is permitted irrespective of whether the milk passes through machinery for clarifying and pasteurizing or goes to the consumer without such treatment.

(4) That one selling price delivered to the consumer (fourteen cents per quart) prevails, irrespective of quality. This should not continue.

(5) That samples of milk for testing by the local Board of Health are at present obtained too infrequently. (6) That the selling price of milk in other large cities is not generally lower than in St. John.

(7) That a large portion of the city milk supply comes from the farms composing the Kings County Milk and Cream Producers' Association, and while it appears that the present prices to the St. John dealers may be fair and reasonable, providing that the quality is always up to the standard, yet the evidence showed that these producers had combined recently to raise the price from 7 cents to 8 1/2 cents per quart at points of shipment to the city and that this combining was in restraint of competition. Under the law the attorney-general of the province is the one to decide about taking action in regard to the combining to raise the prices.

(8) That there are a great many vendors of milk, each having his special delivery, this causing much overlapping and adding to the cost, as is the case also in other lines of business. The establishing of a municipal milk depot was proposed by one witness as a method of preventing overlapping in deliveries.

Your Committee recommends that this report be given to the press as to be made public and that a copy be sent to the Department of Labor, at Ottawa, and to the Attorney-General of the Province. Also that the city co-operate with the Provincial and local Boards of Health in any measures which may be instituted for testing, purifying and certifying the milk sold in St. John, and also for causing all milk to be sold according to established grades or standards. Respectfully submitted, G. FRED FISHER, T. H. BULLOCK, Fair Price Committee.

Easy to Make This Pine Cough Remedy

Thousands of families swear by its prompt relief, and saves about \$2. You know that pine is used in nearly all prescriptions and remedies for coughs. The reason is that pine contains several peculiar elements that have a remarkable effect in soothing and healing the membranes of the throat and chest. Pine is famous for this purpose.

Pine cough syrups are combinations of pine and syrup. The "syrup" part is usually plain granulated sugar syrup. To make the best pine cough remedy that money can buy, put 2 1/2 ounces of Pine (50 cents worth) in a 16-oz. bottle, and fill up with home-made sugar syrup. Or you can use clarified molasses, honey, or corn syrup, instead of sugar syrup. Either way, you make 16 ounces—more than you can buy ready-made for \$2.50. It is pure, good and very pleasant—children take it eagerly.

You can feel this take hold of a cough as cold as a way that means business. The cough may be dry, hoarse and tight, or may be persistently loose from the formation of phlegm. The cause is the same—infamed membranes—and this Pine and Syrup combination will stop it usually in 24 hours or less. Spoons, too, for bronchial asthma, hoarseness, or any ordinary throat ailment. Pine is a highly concentrated compound of genuine Norway pine extract, and is famous the world over for its prompt effect upon coughs.

Beware of substitutes. Ask your druggist for "2 1/2 ounces of Pine" with directions, and don't accept anything else. Guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction or money promptly refunded. The Pine Co., Toronto, Ont.

WET WEATHER WHEN ARMIES CROSS

Canadian and British Went Over the Rhine on Four Bridges—Men Were in Great Shape.

Cologne, Dec. 17.—The British and Canadian armies crossed the Rhine on four bridges here. The Canadian division passed over on a boat bridge. The weather was extremely wet, and spoiled the impressive spectacle. The crossing began at nine in the morning and continued until late in the afternoon. The spectators were impressed by the magnificent fitness and the marching of the men, the excellent condition of the transport and horses.

BOLSHEVIKI ARE MOVING.

Stockholm, Dec. 17.—The newspapers here say that travellers arriving from Petrograd announce that the Bolsheviki have begun the evacuation of the Russian capital, preparatory to proceeding to Nishni-Novgorod.

Do all your Xmas shopping at Bassett's, 14-15-18 Charlotte street. No branches.

TOURIST CAR ON C. P. R. BURNS

And Thirteen People Are Missing—Fire Started in Berth Occupied by Family Part.

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.—Thirteen people are missing, following the destruction by fire of one tourist coach in the Canadian Pacific train No. 4, which left Winnipeg at 9.10 p.m. yesterday for Toronto. The fire apparently started in a berth occupied by a family party, and quickly spread to the rest of the coach. The rest of the train is uninjured, it would appear from the reports. The identity of the passengers missing is not yet known. They are all tourist passengers.

HAIG IN COLOGNE.

Amsterdam, Dec. 17.—The Cologne Gazette, a copy of which was received here, says Field Marshal Haig arrived in Cologne Monday. The newspaper adds that the British commander-in-chief was received with military honors "familiar to us in former princely receptions."

SCHOOL TEACHERS THREATEN STRIKE

Toronto Educationalists Want Increase of Pay or Will Quit the Job.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Sixty-five of 72 separate schools' (Roman Catholic) teachers have announced their intention of going on strike, unless they receive immediate recognition of their petition which they have sent to the separate school board and to which no attention has been paid. The principal request on the petition is that they be given a living wage. Their present salary is a minimum of \$900 a year, and a maximum of \$700. What they are asking is an increased minimum of \$100 in January, 1915, and \$50 annually afterwards until the maximum of \$950 is reached. The answer again came back from the board that it would be taken up at the meeting in January.

GERMANS MUST GO.

Melbourne, Dec. 17.—Acting Premier Watt stated in the House of Representatives today that the Commonwealth of Australia would act in close co-operation with the Imperial Government regarding the expulsion of Germans.

NEW AMBASSADOR NOW ON THE JOB

American Representative at London Pays First Official Call.

London, Dec. 17.—John W. Davis, the new American ambassador at London, made his first official call today, when he went to the Foreign Office to see A. J. Balfour, the foreign secretary. Mr. Davis was introduced by Irwin B. Lawson, secretary of the ambassador. The new ambassador will present credentials to King George within a few days.

NEED MANY MEN FOR UNITED STATES NAVY

Washington, Dec. 17.—Two hundred thousand men must be recruited for the navy next year to take the places of men enlisted for the war, who will be demobilized. Captain H. Lansing, chief of the bureau of navigation, made this estimate today in asking the house naval affairs committee for an appropriation of \$12,000,000 to cover transportation and recruiting expenses.

MELITA WILL ARRIVE TODAY

Has on Board 1,621 Passengers—Included in List Are 102 Officers and 1,089 Other Ranks.

The big liner Melita is due to arrive today with 1,621 passengers, 1,460 bags of mail, and 2,164 packages of parcel post. Included in the passenger list are 102 officers and 1,089 other ranks.

Whatever and whenever you shop, shop at Bassett's, 14-15-18 Charlotte Street. No branches.

Had Hacking Cough Couldn't Sleep Nights.

Hackingcoughs are very wearing on the system. The constant coughing disturbs the rest, and keeps the lungs and bronchial tubes in an irritated and inflamed condition.

Don't neglect the hacking cough. You can get rid of it with a few doses of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup; the most prompt, pleasant and perfect cough remedy known. Miss Catherine M. McLean, Craig Sault, writes:—"Last winter I caught a heavy cold and was laid up for some time. I had such a hacking cough I couldn't sleep at night. I didn't think I would get over it. One day a friend dropped in to see me and was surprised to see how bad my cough was. She advised me to try Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. The next day I sent for a bottle, and I soon got relief, and by the time I had taken two bottles, my cough was all gone, and now I am able to do my work again. I don't think there is anything to equal it. There are plenty of "pipe" preparations on the market trying to live on the reputation of "Dr. Wood's." The genuine is put up in a yellow wrapper, three pine trees the trade mark, price 25c. and 50c. a bottle. Put up only by The T. Millbrae Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

Advertisement for Brunswick records. Includes an illustration of a man playing a gramophone and a woman listening. Text: LISTEN! It's music! It's "Silent night, holy night," it's down-stairs it's a BRUNSWICK! THIS CHRISTMAS WILL HELP YOU. STIMULATE YOU, INSPIRE YOU. You will have a Brunswick, the "Music Master." From it you will draw a flood of emotion, courage, hope, gladness—all a peace-time Christmas needs. You will find in it all that Christmas stands for, all the world is hoping for, all Canada is fighting for—peace and good will to men. Watch your son's face when you play patriotic airs. He is a better Canadian for hearing fine Canadian music. Watch your daughter's face when you play a love song—she is dreaming dreams of the future. Watch your wife's face. She has forgotten the worries of every day. Watch your guests. Their finest selves are revealed by the universal language—Music. This happiness is not just for today, or tomorrow; it is for all the year, all of every year—a happiness that grows with age and understanding. This will be the remembered Christmas, "the year the Brunswick came," and literally unlocked the gates to all the music in the world, lifting us out of present distractions, inspiring our subconscious selves to higher things. The Brunswick is the only cosmopolitan phonograph. It has no commercial interest in just a few singers, orchestras, songs. It does not presume to choose your music for you. Yours will be an individual collection, just suited to YOUR family, YOUR needs, YOUR tastes. There is no barrier between you and the music the Brunswick brings—no annoying scratching, no nasal tone, no sound of the needle traveling over the record. The Brunswick is the natural voice of ANY record—ALL records. Christmas and music are needed this year as never before—are you and yours to have it? F. E. Townshend, 54 King Street, St. John. John Frodsham, Royal Hotel, St. John. F. E. Townshend, Fredericton. The Brunswick Shop, 708 Moncton, N. B. The Musical Merchandise Sales Co. Sole Canadian Distributors. 582 St. Catherine Street West, Montreal.

Vertical advertisements on the left margin. Includes: 'The Fair Price Report Submitted' (repeated), 'Weather' (repeated), 'Easy to Make This Pine Cough Remedy' (repeated), and 'TED'.