

What Canadian Municipal Officials Are Doing to Help Win the War

The following extracts taken from the Canadian Food Bulletin is convincing evidence that the local authorities are awakening up to their national responsibilities — though many of the councils have not yet made a start. It is hoped that in a short time the whole of a Canadian Food Bulletin will be filled up with records of the active co-operation of the local authorities.

George Troctor was fined \$100 and cost in the Toronto police court, under the Anti-Waste Order, for allowing onions to spoil. The magistrate held that a damp cellar was not a proper place in which to keep onions.

George Nelson was fined in the Winnipeg police court because he was not engaged in any useful occupation. A large number of other cases have been dealt with.

The Vancouver Police have announced their intention to strictly enforce the food regulations relative to public eating places.

The police of Victoria, B.C., instituted action against the proprietors of two hotels there, on a charge of allowing sugar containers to remain on dining room tables. Action was also taken against the proprietor of a restaurant on a charge that he served more bread than was required under the food regulations.

Thirty-two men appeared on a recent day before Judge Lanctot in the Montreal Police Court, charged under the recent Order in Council with having no stated occupation.

Charles Fung, Proprietor of the Brockville Cafe, was fined \$100, with the alternative of three months in jail, for an infraction of the public eating place regulations.

Harold Marshall at Calgary was fined \$100 and costs, and Fred. Harris was fined \$50 and costs under the Anti-Loafing law.

Recorder Semple, in the Montreal Police Court, in a number of cases has imposed the maximum penalty of \$100 and costs for violation of the Anti-loafer law. A sixteen-year old boy, whose parents said he was practically incorrigible, was sent to jail for six months under the law.

The Hamilton Police have been successful in recording a number of convictions under the new Anti-Loafing Act.

The Calgary police authorities have been busily engaged rounding up idlers, and a large number of fines have been imposed under the Anti-loafer law.

Sing Chong, a Chinese restaurant proprietor, was sentenced, in the Victoria police court, to pay a fine of \$100 or go to jail for one month, when he was found guilty of allowing waste of turnips and other vegetables by carelessness in the methods of storage. In the opinion of the Court, many of the vegetables might have been saved had Sing Chong taken necessary and reasonable precautions.

John Brambley, age thirty-nine, a tin-type photographer, arrested in Ottawa, on a charge that he was not engaged in a useful occupation, was given an opportunity to find useful employment.

Geo. Hoshi, proprietor of the Maple Leaf Cafe, Saskatoon, was fined \$100 and costs for serving more than two ounces of white bread to a customer at one time, contrary to the Canada Food Board regulations.

In Saskatoon, Police Magistrate F. M. Brown fined Bernard Jones, a waiter in the Albert Cafe, \$100 and costs with the option of thirty days in jail, for serving "Hamburger" during prohibited hours.

In Toronto, Magistrate Kingsford sentenced R. J. Kidd, a dealer, to pay \$100 and costs with the alternative of three months in jail for allowing apples to go to waste.

Edward Masson was sentenced, in the Ottawa Police Court, to three months in jail for failure to work at some useful occupation.

In St. John, N.B., recently, 25 men were brought into the Police Court under the Anti-Loafing law and remanded for trial.

Three Port Arthur restaurant keepers have each been fined \$100 and costs for serving meat on meatless days.

Magistrate Askwith, in the Ottawa Police Court, imposed a fine of \$50 and \$2 costs, with the alternative of a three months' jail sentence, on Flavino Capocci, an Italian organ-grinder. The Magistrate held that organ-grinding was not a useful occupation nor a proper one for an able-bodied young man.

The City Health Department and the Police authorities in Toronto have been investigating waste of foodstuffs, and have announced that where explanations are not satisfactory, proceedings will be taken against those who are responsible.

The Police Commissioners in West Vancouver have issued instructions to the Chief of Police to see that the food regulations are strictly complied with in that municipality.

In Winnipeg, Sir Hugh John Macdonald, the Police Magistrate, has ordered wholesale arrests of men engaged in various employments, under the Anti-Loafing Act. Sir Hugh has ruled in effect that men doing work which can be done equally well by women are not engaged in useful occupation.

Mike Barbeski and Mike Shandioski were each fined \$100 and costs in Toronto Police Court for serving meat during prohibited hours.

Magistrate Jay, in the Victoria, B.C., police court, imposed a fine of \$100 on Ethel Cook, proprietress of the Wilson Cafe, for unlawfully leaving receptacles containing sugar on a table and counter of the dining room.

Archibald Langdon, proprietor of Langdon's Cafe, Ottawa, was fined \$100 and costs for serving ham on Saturday night, contrary to the food regulations and for serving sugar otherwise than provided in the food regulations.

In Brockville on May 6, Charles Fung, Chinese restaurant proprietor, was fined \$100 and costs for violation of the food regulations.

In Montreal on the afternoon of May 11, twenty idlers were arrested by the City Police.

Charlie Fong, proprietor of the Cecil Cafe, Ottawa, was also found guilty of an infraction of the food laws and paid \$100 and \$2 costs.

Magistrate Hoffernan of Regina, fine three local caterers \$100 each for selling pork tenderloin on a porkless day.

Magistrate Elliott, of Sault Ste. Marie, fined John Wronga, a foreigner, \$100 for having in his possession 10½ bags of flour, contrary to the regulations of the Canada Food Board.

Through the efforts of the police of Fort William, six convictions have already been secured against restaurant keepers, for violation of the food regulations.

Reports from Victoria state that idlers and loafers have gradually disappeared from the streets of that city, as a result of the Order in Council, requiring that all males between ages of 16 and 60 should engage in some useful occupation. The Victoria police lost no time in making plain their intention to enforce the regulations.

In Vancouver many former loafers have gone to work, but a number were slow in doing so and were arraigned before Magistrate Shaw. They were warned and given a chance to make good their promise to go to work at once.

In Toronto on May 16 two Chinamen, restaurant keepers, viz.: Louie Hop Woo Hong, 517 Queen Street West, and Woo Hall, 422 Queen Street West, were fined \$100 and costs with an alternative of thirty days in jail for serving "Hamburg" steak on days forbidden by the food regulations.

Henry Meihm, of Stratford, was fined \$100 for having in his possession more flour than is permitted by the Food Board's regulations.

Peter Falak was fined \$50 and \$2 costs in the Ottawa Police Court, for being unemployed. Falak said he had been working for a month in the bush and was enjoying several weeks' holidays when arrested. Don't you think it is very wrong of you to be taking three weeks' holiday in times like these when everyone should be engaged in doing something for the benefit of the community?" asked Magistrate Askwith.

Judge Cusson of Montreal found that Felix Lewis, a musician, was not engaged in useful work and sentenced him, under the Anti-loafing Act to pay a fine of \$10 and costs or to spend fifteen days in jail.

For wasting onions for the food, B. Wilson and Co., of Victoria, B.C., wholesale fruit and produce dealers, were fined \$100. The onions were taken to city garbage wharf and dumped on a scow preparatory to the latter being taken out into the straits. The City's Sanitary Inspector found that a large quantity of the onions were fit for food.