

PRICES OF FOOD DROP IS REPORT

Twelve To 18 Percent Decrease In 1921 Is Noted In Government Report

Washington, Jan. 12.—Retail food prices in sixteen principal cities in the United States decreased 12 to 18 per cent in the 12 months ending December 15 last, the bureau of labor statistics announced today. The figures show that prices prevailing last month in 13 of the cities from which 1913 statistics were available had increased since that year from 33 to 59 per cent.

During the month from November 15 to December 15, 1921, twelve of the cities reported decreases in food prices and two reported increases. Mobile, Ala., and Savannah, Ga., had the biggest percentage of decrease. Other declines include: Indianapolis and Salt Lake City, 17 per cent; Minneapolis and Washington, 16 per cent; Omaha 15 per cent; Chicago and New York, 12 per cent.

Decreases during the month ending December 15 included Indianapolis and Salt Lake City, 3 per cent; Washington, 2 per cent; Omaha, 1 per cent; Milwaukee and New York, 5-10 of one per cent or less. Chicago and Dallas reported increases of less than 5-10 of one per cent.

New York, with 59 per cent, led in the increase in average retail food costs since 1913; Omaha 47 per cent and Salt Lake City 33 per cent.

PORTLAND MEAT PRICES EXORBITANT IS REPORT

Portland, Or., Jan. 12.—Retail prices of meats are exorbitant and extremely out of reason when compared to the prices that are being paid for cattle, sheep and hogs on the hoof, according to Fred Watt, federal investigator. Not long ago the department of justice ordered all of its district offices to make an investigation into meat prices, both wholesale and retail, and

send the findings to the officials in Washington, D. C. Mr. Watt is carrying on this work here.

An exhaustive study and investigation into price conditions of this state conducted by Mr. Watt revealed the fact that where the farmer receives six cents a pound for choice steers the retailer gets from 15 to 23 cents a pound for the meat over the counter.

The farmer, during the month of December, was receiving from two and one-half to four and one-half cents a pound for cows and five and one-half and six cents a pound for helters.

Meanwhile retailers were charging from 13 to 32 cents a pound for sirloin steaks, from 20 to 28 cents a pound for round steaks, 15 to 20 cents a pound for rib roasts, chuck roast 12 1/2 cents a pound and plate beef at 8 cents a pound. The wholesale butcher in the meantime was selling choice dressed steers at 13 1/2 cents a pound, good steers at 13 cents, medium steers at 12 cents and cow at 11 1/2 cents.

Possession Of Booze Charged To Two; Jailed

Violations of the prohibition law were charged to two men who were arrested by the Salem police last night. Tom Edwards, who was arrested by Officers Victor and Minto, is charged with selling intoxicating liquor and with having it in his possession, and Bruce Allen, 1169 Mill street, is charged with unlawfully possessing liquor.

Allen was arrested by Officer George White. Both men were held in the city jail and probably will be arraigned in the police court before Judge Earl Rice.

Wireless Used On Auto by Police In War Upon Bandits

Paris, Jan. 12.—The Paris police are using wireless equipped automobiles to rid the city of bandits and highwaymen and are ready to use airplanes in time of riots or demonstrations.

They plan to employ airplanes primarily for the study of traffic problems, but also when needed, to cope with rioters.

Gompers, Baruch and Meridith On Conference List

Washington, Jan. 12.—An additional list of delegates to the national agricultural conference, including 55 names and increasing the total number of those who have accepted invitations to sit in the conference to 145, was announced today by Secretary Wallace.

The list issued today included the names of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor; Edwin T. Meredith, former secretary of agriculture; Bernard M. Baruch, former chairman of the war industries board; Asbury F. Lever, member of the federal farm loan board, and H. S. Firestone, tire manufacturer of Akron, Ohio.

Missing Cashier's Defalcations Are Over \$750,000

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 12.—Transactions of A. O. Meininger, missing cashier of the Night and Day bank, which was closed here by the order of state officials following the discovery of alleged shortages aggregating \$754,000, will be presented to the grand jury by Circuit Attorney Sidener.

36 Cholera Cases Reported In Manila

Manila, Jan. 12.—Thirty-six persons suffering from cholera and 45 persons classed as carriers of the disease are confined in the isolation hospital here. According to health authorities, only two cases are serious and no new cases are developing.

In the last 48 hours, four cholera patients and seventeen carriers were cured at the hospital. In the last two weeks, eight deaths occurred.

Fire Blamed Upon I. W. W. Organizer

Eldorado, Ark., Jan. 12.—Examination of 11 wounded members of the I. W. W. held here in con-

nection with recent incendiary fires which caused \$300,000 damage, will be started today, it was announced last night, following the arrest of Matt Maki, alleged I. W. W. organizer, by federal officers who had a deportation order for him. The suspect arrested last night and held as a "fire bug" will be given a hearing today.

About \$2000 passed through the hands of Justice of the Peace Joehnk of Marshfield during the past year, bootleggers paying the most of it.

Vilna Dispute Before Council

Geneva, Jan. 12.—(By Associated Press.)—The dispute between Poland and Lithuania over Vilna came before the council of the league of nations today. The situation in Albania and Danzig also were on the program, but the Vilna problem held chief place. It is one of the most difficult questions facing the council.

The league of nations had already evolved a solution, but this was rejected by both countries, and the council is now considering

the question in the light of the election held in Vilna last Saturday, the results of which are not yet known.

London, Jan. 12.—A general strike throughout the Union of South Africa is planned in sympathy with the gold and coal miners, who are now out, says a Reuter dispatch from Johannesburg.

The total fire loss in Astoria for the year 1921 was \$157,300, for which insurance amounting to \$132,200 was paid.

Ask Test of Court's Constitutionality

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 12.—John T. Clarkson of Albia, Iowa, a legal representative of the United Mine Workers of America, announced at the opening session here today of the regular biennial convention of district 25, United Mine Workers of America, that he had drawn a petition seeking an injunction against Richard J. Hopkins, attorney general of Kansas, and the judges of the Kansas industrial court to compel them to

test the constitutionality of Kansas industrial court law.

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