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**NO GOOD REASON
 FOR HIGH PRICES
 ANTHRACITE COAL**

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Prevailing retail prices of anthracite coal are unwarranted and the supply for next season is adequate, the federal trade commission stated today in a preliminary report based on a partly completed investigation ordered by congress last winter. The commission warns consumers against buying larger quantities of coal than usual this summer, saying there are symptoms now of such a buying panic as that which enabled speculators last winter to force prices above normal. No good reason exists, says the report, why May prices should not be subject to the usual summer discount. The commission is keeping in close touch with the anthracite situation and promises to expose "any unscrupulous wholesaler, jobber or retailer who seeks to mislead the public into a belief that exorbitant prices are justifiable." The united mine workers' new wage schedule which went into effect last week, increases production cost between 24 and 30 cents a ton, says the commission. Leading operators' prices at the mine for May provide for this wage increase and "there is no justification for a larger increase to be passed on to the consumer." The commission's report recommends action by congress or some authority to be designated by congress on the following: "First, the elimination of the element of speculation and the charging of an exorbitant price or withholding from use of this necessity of life; and, second, the imperative need of keeping coal moving and of preventing coal cars from being held out of use for the purpose of speculative storage."

**ESPIONAGE BILL
 DEBATED IN SENATE**

WASHINGTON, May 5.—The house espionage bill, with its modified censorship feature, following its passage yesterday by a vote of 260 to 195, went to the senate today where a similar measure was under consideration. The modified censorship provision was adopted by the house by a vote of 190 to 185 after it had voted down 220 to 167 the entire administration censorship section. This action was taken despite reports that President Wilson had sent word that the authority sought was "absolutely necessary." Opponents of censorship are threatening to carry their fight to conference. The mail censorship section of the espionage bill was taken up in the senate today. Senate leaders have abandoned of passing the measure before next week.

**GOVERNOR LISTER MAY
 BE HERE THIS MONTH**

Governor Lister's private secretary writes that the governor is in Washington, D. C., attending the war conferences of governors and expects to return to Olympia, Wash., about May 12, and hopes to be able to attend the Tri-State Good Roads meeting here on the 16th and 17th and the luncheon at the Ashland hotel the 15th. "However, matters may have changed themselves in connection with the international crisis in such a way that upon his return to the state he will find it out of the question to leave the state again so soon," says the secretary, "but he will be present if possible." He has taken a deep interest in the work of good roads.

**ASCERTAINING COST
 TO ORCHARDISTS OF
 FIGHTING FROSTS**

The cost of protecting orchards against frost is made up of two main items: Equipment for protection, and fuel and labor on frosty nights. The small amount of information already collected by the weather bureau indicates that the equipment costs result in an annual charge against the cost of raising fruit which is sometimes as large as the cost of fighting frost on cold nights. The cost of carrying frost fighting equipment is somewhat hard to determine, but it is so important that the weather bureau has prepared a cost sheet which is being used in Rogue River valley this season for the first time. This sheet has been sent to each orchardist on record at the local office of the weather bureau as providing for frost fighting. It is scarcely possible that all have been reached by this method. Mr. Reed of the division of agricultural meteorology, who is conducting this work here is anxious to have the record as complete as possible. He says he will be glad to talk with any orchardist regarding this problem. The letter sent orchardists is as follows: "As a basis for computing the fixed charges of orchard heating it is desirable to have as complete statements as possible of equipment costs. For this reason the enclosed form has been prepared. The weather bureau will be glad to have you fill out such of the blanks as you are able without too much trouble, and return the sheet at your convenience in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. The replies will be used in such a manner that the costs of equipment or heating cannot be determined for individual orchard from the results, and no data for individual orchards will be published. "Under costs, it is desired to know, if possible, the price of fuel and of heaters at the railroad, and also the cost delivered to the orchard; the blank has been prepared with this in view. Under small equipment, such items as torches should be included. Distributing equipment includes tank wagons, etc. Insurance should include the additional cost of insuring buildings, on account of the proximity of large amounts of oil, as well as the insurance on the oil and the oil tank. "Interest and depreciation will be calculated by the weather bureau, but it is desired to have estimates of the probable life of the different items of equipment, so that proper depreciation may be charged."

TODAY'S MARKETS

Portland Livestock.
 PORTLAND, Ore., May 5.—Hogs, steady; receipts, 190. Bulk of packing grades, \$15.55@15.65; heavy packing, \$15.65@15.85; light packing, \$15.65@15.75; rough heavies, \$14.25@15; pigs and skips, \$13.75@14.25; stock hogs, \$12.25@13.50.
 Cattle, steady; receipts, 45; steers, prime light, \$10.50@11.25; prime heavy, \$10@10.50; good, \$9.75@10; cows, choice, \$8.50@9.50; medium to good, \$8@8.50; ordinary to fair, \$6.75@7.50; heifers, \$9@10.25; bulls, \$5.50@8; calves, \$8@10.
 Sheep, steady; receipts, none. Lambs, east of mountains, \$12@13.50; lambs, valley, \$12.75@13.25; lambs, shorn, \$11@11.50; prime wethers, \$11.50@12; choice ewes, \$10@10.75; heavy ewes, \$9@10.
Portland Butter.
 PORTLAND, Ore., May 5.—Butter, steady.
Portland Grain.
 PORTLAND, Ore., May 5.—Wheat higher; no trading. Spot bids 2 to 4c up. Bluestem, \$2.75; fortyfold, \$2.72; club, \$2.79; red Russian, \$2.68.
 Barley, lower. No 1 feed, \$2.50. Today's car receipts: Wheat 56, flour 5, oats 5, hay 6.
Chicago Wheat.
 CHICAGO, May 5.—Wheat: Close
 May \$2.75 \$2.78 1/2
 July 2.49 2.51
**TWO CARS OF DODGES
 RECEIVED BY BERNARD**
 The Bernard Motor company received two cars made of Dodge cars. The cars are of the latest model and are of the best quality.
**DEO FOR
 CROUP**
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**COMMUNITY DAY
 AT EAGLE POINT
 GREAT SUCCESS**

The community field day and school meet held at Eagle Point last Thursday was attended by fully 1,500 people from all parts of the county. The Medford people who attended, including a large number of business men, all report that the occasion was a very enjoyable one and are loud in their praises of Eagle Point hospitality. The Ashland band furnished music for the occasion. Addresses were made by Mayor C. E. Gates of Medford, County School Superintendent Ager, County Pathologist C. C. Cate and School Supervisor E. R. Peterson. The chief speech of the day was delivered by M. S. Pittman, head of the rural department of the State Normal school. A welcome feature of the day was the expedition with which the many athletic contests and games were run off. W. O. Wheeler, chairman of the committee in charge, was mainly responsible for this, ably assisted by the local committee, which was composed of Frank Brown, William Van der Hellen, Ray Ashpole, William Perry, W. C. Clements, J. V. McIntyre, Mrs. William Brown and Mrs. Carl Narregran. There was no delay whatever between contests and games and the entire program was run off with snap. The day's celebration ended with a dance in the evening to which 140 tickets were sold.

**CONFEREES WORK
 ON ARMY DRAFT**

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Conferees on the war army selective draft bill again today sought to iron out difficulties between the house and senate. Work on the measure was postponed from yesterday because of the necessity of conferees responding to frequent roll-calls in both houses on espionage bills. The chief point of difference is over the age limit, the senate fixing at 21 to 27 and the house 21 to 40. The conferees hoped to reach an agreement today in order that the bill may be laid before President Wilson for his approval the first of the week.

**SECOND LOAN MADE
 TO GREAT BRITAIN**

WASHINGTON, May 5.—A second loan today by the government to Great Britain, the amount \$25,000,000, was transferred by Secretary McAdoo to Ambassador Spring-Rice. It will

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 Says Mrs. Frank Hagler, of Carbonate, Ill.: "I was suffering terrible cramps and pains each month. I had used... but it didn't give any permanent relief. The pains came back on me just the same as before... After taking Cardui, I was entirely relieved from the pains, and have never been bothered with them since."

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Great Britain's requirements in this country for about three days. The loan is for a short period and will be taken into the greater loan to be made when the proceeds of the big bond issue are in hand. Announcement also was made that the \$100,000,000 loan to France would be made within a day or so.

Fair List Prices Fair Treatment

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