

SUGAR'S TO BE HAD; HEAR MR. MCCARTHY

Supply Adequate for Home Use, but Other Fellow Needs It More, He Insists

WHY "SURPLUS" IS DEFICIT

John A. McCarthy, federal sugar administrator in this city, today gave what he deems to be the true cause of the shortage of sugar in the households here in other parts of the country.

Mr. McCarthy says he has been giving the same explanation daily more times than he can recall, but somehow or other his explanations have not seemed to explain to the public's satisfaction.

So today, rather wearily, Mr. McCarthy repeated what he says is the explanation. It has only to refer the public to the statements of the sugar equalization board and the trade bulletins to show why there is a shortage of sugar for home use," he said.

"Look at the amount of cake and confections and candy and jelly made. All require sugar in their manufacture. The householder is getting two to four pounds a week, although not all of it in the exact form of sugar. Much of it is being consumed in making candy and soft drinks."

"But," it was asked, "the confectioners are complaining of being cut to 10 per cent of their normal needs. What of the other?"

Mr. McCarthy was prompt with his answer. He referred to the equalization board statement that enough sugar was refined last week to supply every person in this section of the United States with two pounds of sugar. Then he turned the apparent surplus into a deficit.

Druggists Must Be Supplied

"Do you ever consider the demands of the manufacturing chemists right here in Philadelphia?" he queried, rapidly enumerating half a dozen firms that maintain laboratories in the city or its vicinity.

"The demands of these concerns for medicines and serums is enormous and we cannot restrict them."

"But is the demand for medicines today as great as it was during the war, or in the influenza epidemic of last year?" was suggested.

"Yes," he replied. "There may not be the same amount of diabetes to contend with, but the manufacturing druggists must have a supply of sugar to make the remedies needed in the event of another influenza outbreak. The three great refineries here received last week enough sugar to give every person in Philadelphia as much sugar as in war-time rationing, but most of it went to these establishments and we cannot stop these people from getting it."

"Then sugar is taken in great quantities for other uses before it reaches the householder?"

"Yes, cream is only a few of the main demands that call for large quantities. The householder gets sugar in the form of syrups and flavoring extracts."

"We are using 111 pounds per person in the United States this year, as against eighty-three pounds a year ago. That explains why an apparently normal crop isn't sufficient."

Suggests Other Forms of Sweetening

"Many householders, too, aren't aware that there are many forms of sugar that they can use in preparing food that are perfectly good. For instance, only the other day I tasted sugar that had been made from puffed rice and until I was told afterward I did not know it was other than the regular form."

"We are using too much sugar in ways where syrups and other forms would serve just as well. If we use these 'substitutes' intelligently there would be plenty of sugar for all."

"There is not much likelihood of a

relief from the present situation before the middle of next month, and I do not expect the supply to resume normal until spring.

"I don't say this complainingly, but I do think that so much daily attention to the shortage only serves to irritate the public and to aggravate a situation that isn't so bad as many persons believe it to be."

Mr. McCarthy didn't say whether it might not be the shortage itself which is so irritating to a puzzled public.

A CHRISTMAS BOMB?

No, but it Gave Federal Building Officials a Scare

It was a package, four by six by twelve inches, about the size of an ordinary shoe box.

And it was gayly wrapped in holly-printed paper, and tied with a Yuletide string.

And on its bright label were the words, "To A. Busha, Department of Justice, Federal Building." It was brought by a messenger boy, who beat it before anybody could catch him.

Miss Elizabeth Keeley, secretary to Todd Daniel, received the package in her trembling finger tips. "A Christmas bomb?" was the whisper.

"Well, here goes," cried Busha, when he received the package, and he made as if to hurl it to the floor.

He did hurl it, and the frightened ducked.

It was a shoe box, after all, and a pair of fifteen-dollar-high-top-of-living patent leathers rolled out to the door.

NOVEL BAZAAR IS OPENED

New Century Guild Scheme Occupies Three Floors on Locust Street

A progressive bazaar, beginning on the first floor with a restaurant and ending on the third floor with continuous vaudeville performances, is being conducted by the New Century Guild at 1307 Locust street today and will continue tomorrow.

Italian outwork and embroidery made by the Italian women in the southern part of the city at the Handicraft Shop of the College Settlement will be on sale on the second floor. This is the first sale of the season for this unique art work.

Cake, candy, novelties, useful and fancy articles and second-hand articles will also be on sale.

HOLD MAN AS AUTO THIEF

Accused of Being One of Four Who Got Police Official's Car

Walter Hughes, 431 North Eleventh street, accused of being one of those who stole an automobile belonging to Lieutenant Fritz, of the motorcycle police, was held for trial in \$1000 bail by Magistrate Pennock in the Central police court today.

Four men riding in the stolen car engaged in a revolver fight with an Elizabeth, N. J., policeman when he tried to arrest them Sunday morning. One was wounded and captured. The other three escaped. Elizabeth detectives came here in search of the fugitives and Hughes was taken into custody.

Ivy Day Nursery Benefit

Edith Wynne Mattheson will speak tonight under the auspices of the Ivy Day Nursery in the ballroom of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. She will interpret Shakespearean characters. The nursery, which is in need of funds, takes care of babies during the summer whose mothers are obliged to go out to work. The meeting tonight is designed to defray the expense of sending the children to the seashore during the summer.

WORE MUSTACHE 30 YEARS; SORRY NOW HE CUT IT OFF

Elisha Webb, Jr., Returns From Waterways Trip Minus Adornment and Gets Cold Shoulder



MR. WEBB, MUSTACHELESS

Friends Fail to Recognize Him — Is Asked by Own Clerk What He Wants on Entering Store

Elisha Webb, Jr., whose place of business is at 130 South Front street, is strolling around inognito these days. Inognito meaning, in his case, without the mustache that he has worn for thirty years.

Coming from Savannah with Mayor-elect Moore's deeper waterways party, Mr. Webb took part in a masquerade on the ship. He selected a Chinese character, and threw himself so wholeheartedly into the part that he decided to have his mustache removed. The deception at the party was complete, but it didn't end there.

A man who has gone around with a mustache for thirty years cannot take it off and expect to be received by his friends as though nothing had happened. He is lucky if they know him. Most of Mr. Webb's friends gave him the cold "How are you?" when he greeted them on his recent return from the South.

But the greatest blow of all was when he came to take up the reins of his business again. He walked into his ship chandlery store and was greeted with an inquiry as to what he wanted. "I don't want anything," he replied. The clerk was tactful, but firm. "How do you do," was the distant reply.

All this is a lot of fun at first, but it's apt to get a trifle tiresome. It's pleasant to have some one besides your wife recognize you once in a while. So, after about a week, Mr. Webb is going to let his old mustache come back and get acquainted with his friends again.

PUGILIST AGAIN ACCUSED

Charged With Robbing Drug Store of Money Orders and Narcotics

Charles Thomas, a prize-fighter, of 1317 Porter street, faced a second charge of larceny in the Central Police Court today. Magistrate Pennock held him under \$1000 bail for trial.

Detective Carr, who arrested him, charged the pugilist broke into the drug store of Samuel Goldberg, 2501 South Broad street, on October 24, and carried off twenty-two American Express money orders, a quantity of narcotics and several razors. The detective said he found the money orders in Thomas's possession.

The prize-fighter was before Magistrate Pennock last week, charged with robbing a fur store in Atlantic City.

Miss Ethel Halpin, 1914 North Franklin street, had a hearing this morning on the charge of receiving a squirrel fur coat from Thomas, which had been stolen from the Atlantic City store. She was held under \$800 bail.

Two Years for Jewelry Theft

Joseph Spladwin, twenty years old, Kenilworth street near Second, this city, was sentenced this morning by Judge Kates in the Criminal Court of Camden county to from two to seven years in the county prison on the charge of breaking into the jewelry store of Harry Nurock, 1134 Broadway, Camden, and stealing \$2000 worth of jewelry.

CHESTER VALLEY TAKES MAIDEN TRIP

Mrs. J. N. Pew, Sr., Sponsor of Cargo Carrier Launched at Hog Island

ODD MIX-UP OVER NAMES

This morning at 11:54 o'clock the steel cargo carrier Chester Valley, named in honor of the response of the Chester county districts in the various Liberty Loan drives, was launched at Hog Island. Tomorrow, about noon, the steamship Devlin, known until a few days ago as the Chester Valley and destined to be the honor ship for the Chester county districts, will be launched at the Sun shipyard in Chester.

The Sun Shipbuilding Co., in announcing the launching scheduled for tomorrow, sent out engraved invitations announcing the name of the vessel as Chester Valley and made all preparations to launch it as such. Several days ago, however, its name was changed as the easiest way out of a dilemma which faced Emergency Fleet Corporation officials.

Until recently no sponsor had been named for the vessel on the ways at Chester, though its name was announced in honor of the Liberty Loan workers of the Chester valley. Then the shipbuilding company requested that Mrs. J. N. Pew, Sr., mother of the chairman of the board of directors of the Chester county districts, be named as sponsor.

On the ways at Hog Island was the sixty-eighth vessel ready to be launched, and without a name. As a way to please both the Liberty Loan workers of the Chester county districts and Chester county persons interested, the Hog Island vessel was named Chester Valley and the name of the vessel at Chester changed to Devlin.

This morning's launching at Hog Island was a complete success. The ship was christened by Mrs. Lipkin and in the party which accompanied her were a number of prominent Liberty Loan workers, including Mayor and Mrs. A. H. Swing, Philip Lipkin, Miss Anna Pennock, Mr. and Mrs. John Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Hays Ash, H. S. Woodward and R. R. Cadwalader, all of Contoosville, and Mrs. Gertrude L. Smith, of Stratford.

The vessel makes the total launched at Hog Island since August 5, 1918, 532, 130 deadweight tons.

SELL DRINK WITH KICK

Grocers' New Beverage Intoxicating, Says Simmers

That a number of grocers in this city and vicinity are selling an alleged soft drink which has an alcoholic content of 18 per cent is the charge made by Robert M. Simmers, general agent of the State Bureau of Food. Mr. Simmers says that the grocers will not sell less than a quart of the beverage, for which they charge two dollars.

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A five-story ice storage house will be erected for the American Ice Co. on the north side of Duncannon street west of Market street by Monaghan & Lasse. The building will cost \$81,000.

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For this Sudden Wintry Weather, here are warm Ulsterettes and Ulsters

☐ We wish we could bring home to you in print how fine they are, how well made, how distinguished looking, what a fund of value there is in them.

☐ A business man bought a double-breasted Ulster here a couple of weeks ago—a soft grayish mixture with a good sprinkling of brownish and tannish lines through the fabric—muff pockets, deep roll up collar, sleeve cuffs finished with three or four rows of artistic stitching, and a sweep to its lines that we think is characteristic of "N. B. T." designing and making.

☐ Well, the gentleman attended a business conference and banquet at the Hotel Commodore in New York a few days later, and during the course of the evening several friends remarked on its beauty and distinction.

☐ One of his friends, close enough to him to take the liberty, asked all about it, and the price he paid for it. Our customer countered with a request that the inquirer should give a guess.

☐ He thought \$125 would be the present-day figure.

☐ The coat was bought here for \$65!

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☐ Handsome Ulsters, warm and voluminous without being weighty, \$45, \$50 to \$85.

☐ Sheeplined Jackets and long coats, \$15 to \$40.

☐ Fur collar and fur lined coats, \$60 to \$200.

Ferry Crash Inquest Postponed

The inquest into the death of four victims of the collision between the ferryboat Atlantic City and the tug Caspian on November 11 was postponed by Coroner Knight today because four witnesses in the case are still confined to the hospital as a result of injuries received in the disaster. The inquest will be held some time next week.

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