

POWERLESS TO LOWER PRICES

McCain Says Public Must Fight H. C. L. Alone, Due to U. S. Refusal to Act

GREAT FALL IN MEAT SALES

High-priced meats are not the liking of the average housewife and retailers report a falling off in sales.

"Some people won't or can't eat meat when sirloin steak is selling for seventy-five cents a pound, round steak for sixty-seven, rib roast as much as sixty, veal roast sixty-five and lamb leg roast as high as sixty," said one dealer today.

"But we can't help it," a retailer added.

Meats have never been higher than for the last two weeks, dealers say. The falling off in sales may bring down prices soon, it is believed.

Frank B. McCain, federal fair price commissioner for Pennsylvania, and the man who predicted high meat prices, says the consumer must now fight his battle against increasing prices of food-stuffs alone, as the United States District Court in this district has refused to enforce the Lever act.

Mr. McCain, however, he is in a peculiar position due to the fact that while the Lever act has not been upheld by the courts of eastern Pennsylvania the courts of western Pennsylvania have declared it valid. He is able to prosecute in the western part of the state and said that through his agents he has been able to curb the profiteering to such an extent that the prices of the necessary foods are much lower in the western part of the state than in the eastern portion.

A retailer may be arrested for charging an excessive profit in Dauphin, Lebanon or York counties, but even if a much higher percentage of profit were added in Philadelphia, Bucks, Chester, Berks, Delaware or Lancaster counties nothing could be done by the fair-price commissioner.

"We have better control of the shoe and clothing retailers," continues Mr. McCain, "as they have agreed, through their representatives, on a percentage which is considered a fair profit."

Seventeen courts throughout the country have upheld the Lever act and six have declared it unconstitutional. It has also been upheld by two United States Circuit Courts of Appeals. Eventually the legal question will be solved by the Supreme Court, but for the present the consumers will have to deal with the retailers directly in this part of the state, as the fair-price commissioner literally has his hands tied and cannot aid through the courts.

READERS' VIEW POINT

Letters to the Editor on Current Topics

Terms for Democratic Terms

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—The Democratic nomination for President of these United States seems to be a fairly good one. Mr. Cox is no doubt a great, good and learned man.

However, the two terms of "Democratic Miracle" in this country, are, or have been, bad enough and yet another would be hell and damnation, no discount.

A CIVIL WAR VETERAN.

Philadelphia, July 7.

Is Plea for Investors

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—Your paper is all for the people, but not for all of the people. My brother was one of the people—I also am to the best of my knowledge.

In my brother's estate are sixty shares of Philadelphia Traction stock, bought in 1899, costing the market price, \$5791. The return on this stock has been \$240 per year—less than 4 1/2 per cent—ever since.

There is no point in saying more; but don't forget that there are many innocent investors depending on the returns from investments considered most conservative, and that the bottom of these investments should not be ruthlessly kicked out. EDWARD B. GETZEL Philadelphia, July 7.

Approves Health Articles

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—Last week on your editorial page Colonel McCain's manifesto, devoted interesting lines to the question of sanitation.

It should be the sense of your duty to make often appearances of similar articles for the benefit of your readers. By so doing you will render great assistance to Doctor Furubush, director of Public Health and Charities, the present promoter of sanitation and health in all its phases.

To educate the people on this vital subject of sanitation means to help to make our great city of American traditions the healthiest.

Expose to your readers the preventive measures which modern sanitation provides today. Teach the significance of sanitation to the people.

If you will only be determined to increase your efforts in spreading in the way of publicity the very rules and regulations of sanitation, you will increase the potentiality of public health of our great city and vicinity. That is the practical and only way to convert your readers into healthy citizens. It has long been evident that in a healthy body there is a healthy mind. How great a compliment it is for a great and influential paper to have well-minded readers.

I sincerely congratulate you on the inauguration of your great campaign of sanitation and health in our greater city of Philadelphia. SAMUEL SINAIK Philadelphia, July 7.

Coal production is below normal

There will be a scarcity of coal next winter, according to the best-informed coal specialists. And coal will be higher in price. You can get your winter's supply from us now and receive

50c reduction on every ton bought for cash

Same privilege to charge customers who pay within 5 days

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PENNA. GIRL DROWNS

Daughter of Lock Haven Delegate Dies—Rescuer Killed

Yosemite, Calif., July 8.—Gertrude Kistler, twelve-year-old daughter of Sedgewick Kistler, of Lock Haven, Pa., a delegate to the Democratic convention, drowned in the Merced river here yesterday.

H. J. Pink, of Los Angeles, who went to her rescue, slipped on a rock and fractured his skull, death resulting instantly.

The girl's body had not been recovered last night.

MAYOR'S BONNY BLUE BUS STARTS AUTOMOBILE WAR

Chauffeurs of Moore and Penrose Have Verbal Duel Over Merits of Their Respective Charges

State and city politics verily trembled today when the chauffeurs of Senator Penrose and Mayor Moore engaged in a sharp debate over the good points of the machines of their respective bosses.

Not their political machines—their automobiles! Recently the Mayor and the senator

acquired new automobiles which are a source of pride to the rival chauffeurs. The Mayor's car, driven by Joe Mullen, is deep blue in color, while the senator's, piloted by Walter Mancer, is a rich red.

The two chauffeurs met on City Hall yesterday.

"I hear you have a new bus," said

Mullen, the Mayor's Barney Oldfield, to Mancer.

"Why didn't you get one like the Mayor's," asked Mullen.

"Aw," said the senator's driver, with infinite scorn, "they tried to unload a pile of junk like that on me."

"They did?"

"Yeh," continued Walter, "but I wouldn't stand for it."

"My, but that boy's hard," was Mullen's view of the senator's driver.

Plays With Matches; Badly Burned

Ten-year-old Rose Austin, of Division street, Jenkintown, is in a critical condition at the Abington Hospital today, suffering from burns received while playing with matches in her home last evening. The child, with her hair or, was striking matches when one ignited her clothing. Her mother wrapped her in a rug, smothering the flames after she had been seriously burned on the head and body.



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For the first six months of this year, ending June 30, we opened

43 New American Stores

We are very proud of this record, especially so in the light of present-day conditions, when so many are pessimistic regarding the future. We do not belong, however, to that class. We are optimists, having the greatest faith in our American manhood and womanhood, the greatest confidence in our nation's ability to surmount any difficulty, to solve any and all problems pertaining to our growth and national life.

It is this confidence in the good judgment of the public in general to recognize merit that has always been our mainstay, spurring us onward in an effort to render better service, and encourages us to still further expand.

The fact that public confidence lies at the root of permanent patronage has never been more clearly demonstrated than in the growth and development of this wonderful business institution.

Our thanks are due a confiding public, that have rewarded our efforts to serve and please, by a constant, continued and sustained patronage.

Toilet Paper, 6 Rolls 25c

An extremely low price—Why not take advantage of this special sale.

Fancy Onions, lb 3 1/2c

New New New—Very finest grown—Always buy them by weight.



"Victor" Bread The Big Family Loaf **9c**

The bigger and better loaf—that's Victor every time. Vacation days are here, serve Victor plenty to the romping boy and girl. Let them have all they want—it's just what their bodies demand to make them healthful and sturdy—buy Victor and eat the best bread made.

Best Grape Juice pt 25c

We are continuing our special price for the week-end. Absolutely pure and the very finest to be had—Why Pay More?

Nabisco Wafers, pkg. 15c

Rich Cheese lb 33c

Mild new cheese, very choice quality—macaroni and cheese make a healthful summer meal service substitute.

"Asco" Macaroni, pkg. 10c

<p>Best Pure Lard, 25c lb.</p> <p>Evap. Milk, 14c 1/2 gal.</p> <p>Sweet Tender, 12c-14c Corn, can</p> <p>Fancy Seeded, 27c Calif. Raisins, pkg.</p> <p>Pat-A-Cake, 29c Flour, pkg.</p>	<p>Flour, 2 double sheets, 5c Best Lima Beans</p> <p>Best Calif. Tuna, 20c 1/2-lb. can</p> <p>Pink Alaska, 19c Salmon, big can</p> <p>Fine Quality, 12c-15c Tomatoes, pkg. in sanitary tin.</p> <p>Best Head Rice, 19c lb.</p> <p>King Wheat, 20c big pkg.</p>	<p>"Asco" Oleomargarine lb 38c Nut Margarine lb 35c</p> <p>Pure Butter Substitutes of exceptional merit sold in hundreds of our stores. If our store where you trade does not sell it, our manager will be glad to direct you to the nearest American Store where it is sold.</p>
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No matter where you go or what you pay you can't get any better "Cup" satisfaction. There is a big difference in Coffee. Buy a pound of "Asco" today and note its rich, full, heavy body and delightful, satisfying aroma. You will then realize, if never before, why it is that our customers throughout four States use millions of pounds in the course of a year—and it costs less.

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Iced Tea Time—What's more satisfying on a hot day than a glass of Iced Tea? We particularly recommend our Old Country style or Indian-Ceylon for iced tea. If you have never tried "Asco" buy a package today and let us prove to you what Real Tea Goodness Means.

Preserving Needs

Mason Quart Jars, doz. 80c

Mason Pint Jars, doz. 75c

Jar Tops doz. 30c

Jelly Tumblers doz. 42c

Jar Rubbers doz. 9c

Parowax pound pkg. 17c

"Asco" Beverages

Ginger Ale bot 12 1/2c

Root Beer bot 12 1/2c

Sarsaparilla \$1.45 dozen

Hot Weather Suggestions

Campbell's Beans, can 12 1/2c

Bitter Pork & Beans can 12c

Choice Sardines can 6c

Kipper Herrings can 11c

American Maid Catsup, 17c

Stohrer's Sour Pickles, bt. 18c

Potted Meats can 6c, 10c

These Prices in All Our 166 Sanitary Meat Markets

BABY LAMBS & WETHER MUTTON

During this hot weather two of the best meat foods are genuine Spring Lamb and Wether Mutton. Take advantage of this sale. The quality is the best the market affords and the prices the lowest possible.

Wether Mutton		Spring Lamb	
Loin lb. 35c	Shoulder, lb. 20c	Loin lb. 55c	Shoulder, lb. 30c
Rib lb. 30c	Neck lb. 16c	Rib lb. 45c	Neck lb. 24c
Rack lb. 25c	Breast lb. 12c	Rack lb. 35c	Breast lb. 18c

Dainty Hot-Weather Foods—Ready to Serve

Sliced Lebanon 1/2 lb 12c	Sliced Cooked Ham 1/2 lb 22c	Sliced Corned Beef 1/2 lb 12c	Sliced Luncheon Tongue 1/2 lb 20c
Sliced Baked Meat Loaf 1/2 lb 16c	Sliced Cooked Luncheon Roll 1/4 lb 18c	Sliced Long Beef Bologna 1/2 lb 15c	Sliced Large Bologna 1/2 lb 15c

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The Camden Heating Co.

desires to express regret at the publication by it of a statement that it had won its fight for the open shop. While it is true that on July 2 the preliminary injunction order as set forth in the publication was made by the Court, yet this order was not intended by the parties or by the Court as anything more than a stay-order. The hearing has now been concluded and the Court has taken under advisement the question whether or not the preliminary injunction should be continued.

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