

FOODSTUFFS WATER AS ORDERS FALL OFF

Cessation of Export Trade Causes Glut on Market, Say Dealers

The cost of living in Harrisburg, so far as prices of food and general produce are concerned, appears to be slightly lower at the present than a year ago, according to the statements of dealers and retail storekeepers.

Meats, groceries and farm produce show a general average reduction of price, which is said to be temporary, and is attributed to an increased supply through on the markets through the partial cessation of export trade to Europe.

Flour Higher Flour is the only article which shows an increase in price, which is due to the export demand of wheat in Europe. It is about one cent higher than a year ago, according to the statements of dealers and retail storekeepers.

Staples About Same Officers of the Witman-Schwartz Company, wholesale grocers, say that prices of staple goods are about the same as last year, with the exception of flour and sugar. They say there is a falling off in the demand for the fancy groceries and extra luxuries that less demand for the choicer cuts of meat, which most people consider as luxuries when times are hard.

Prices of farm products are lower in many cases, on account of generous crops last season. Potatoes are considerably lower as well as other winter vegetables. Butter is about the same and eggs are slightly higher. Fat and lard, cheese and all foods brought from a distance are at practically the same average price as last year. The only foods showing a marked increase in price are dried articles on account of the European war.

Harrisburg traveling men who cover central Pennsylvania with groceries, coffee and other food supplies, say that most staples are about the same in price as they were last year, with the exception of a few lines of goods that may vary a little according to local changes in supply and demand.

Some kinds of canned foods, they say, may have dropped, and farm produce in some places is a little lower. The office dropped about four cents a pound wholesale several months ago on account of the extra supply from Brazil that could not be sold in the European markets. It is gradually getting back to normal price and is now two cents under last year.

In many such cases of reduction in wholesale prices, it is said, the consumer is not quick to feel the benefit as dealers sometimes are slow to reflect a lowering of prices in their retail selling.

Press Company Bankrupt New York, Jan. 5.—The American Round Bale Press Company, a New York corporation with \$500,000 authorized capital, filed today a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, in which its liabilities were given as \$24,000 and its assets as fifty-nine cotton gin plants in the south, and presses, value not estimated.

MR. DENINGER INJURED James C. Deninger, a clerical clerk to Governor Tener, is confined to his home by a severe injury to his leg. He fell on the ice.

"Mr. Dooley" on the War "Whin two imp'ors begun makin' faces at each other, I looked to see Andrew Carnegie get between them and say: 'Boys, none of you. Here's fifty million dollars I'll give you. Now shake hands, and go buy yourselves a couple of liberties.'"

Read it in Hearst's—and smile over its gentle Irish humor—so free from sting.

Buy it NOW—and place a standing order with your dealer for future numbers.

Hearst's Magazine

CANAL SIDES STOP NAVAL PARADE

Col. Goethals Doubtful if Dreadnaughts Could Pass Through Waterway

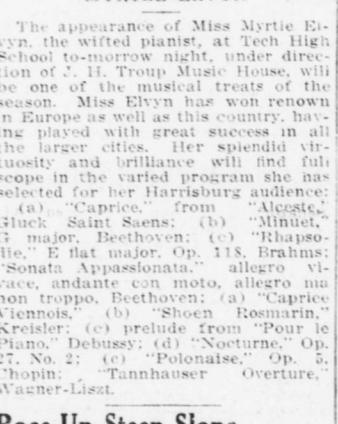
Washington, Jan. 5.—The possibility of a postponement of the cruise of the international fleet from Hampton Roads to San Francisco through the Panama Canal in connection with the opening of the canal and the exposition was suggested today in the course of a conference between Secretary Garrison and Colonel Goethals, Governor of the Canal.

Through the great earth slides at Cucuracha apparently have been conquered, according to Colonel Goethals' report the earth movements continue in the neighborhood of Gold Hill. At that point the superincumbent masses of their great pressure, are continually forcing rock and soil in great quantities into the canal prism.

The movement is sufficiently extensive to require the continuous employment of dredges to maintain the channel. The mastery of the earth movements at Gold Hill is considered only a question of time, when the earth will be in its equilibrium.

Colonel Goethals, however, is unable to promise that this period of stability will be attained by the time the naval fleet is scheduled to reach the canal.

Interesting Program For Myrtle Elvyn Piano Recital at Tech High School To-morrow Night



The appearance of Miss Myrtle Elvyn, the noted pianist, at Tech High School to-morrow night, under the direction of J. H. Troup Music House, will be one of the musical treats of the season.

Race Up Steep Slope Ends in French Victory

Thann, Alsace, Jan. 5.—A race of three miles up the steep slope at Engelberg through thickets and up rocky steps, between a battalion of French light infantry with machine guns and a German battery, determined the result of a stubborn fight for the Alsace town of Steinbach.

RIGHT WING OF FRENCH ARMY ONLY 30 MILES FROM RHINE

London, Jan. 5.—The right wing of the French army is to-day less than 30 miles from the river Rhine, holding the Alsian village of Steinbach and the heights to the southeast of the village after one of the most stubborn local fights of the war.

MOTHERS' PENSION BOARD

Governor Tener to-day announced the appointment of the following named persons as trustees to administer the mothers' pension fund for Franklin county: Mrs. Sarah E. Shook, Greencastle; Mrs. Ione J. Bygon, Mercersburg; Mrs. Mary Ellen Long, Fayette; Mrs. Mary Corbett, Waynesboro; Mrs. Laura Shearer, Dry Run; Mrs. Belle McL. Pomeroy, Chambersburg; Mrs. Lillian B. Hoke, Chambersburg.

SHIP BILL TAKEN UP

Washington, Jan. 5.—The government bill to purchase bills before the Senate for consideration to-day with indications that many weeks would be consumed in discussion of the measure. Under the agreement making the bill unfinished business, the measure can only be sidetracked for appropriation bills.

GATHER SWORN IN

Walter H. Gaither, the new public utility commissioner, took his oath of office before Secretary of the Commonwealth McAfee to-day at noon. Dr. Gaither will assume his duties on January 19, having resigned as private secretary to the Governor on January 1. Cassius M. Dunn presented the Governor's communications to the Legislature to-day.

NOT A SIGN OF OPPOSITION EVEN AT THE CAUCUS OF THE DEMOCRATIC MEMBERS

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