

FOOD SCARCITY
HARD BLOW TO
MEXICAN POOR

Prices in United States,
Though High, Seem Low
by Comparison

Chihuahua City, Mexico, March 20.
—(Correspondence of The Associated
Press) Food is so expensive and so
difficult to obtain in Mexico, one of
the most fertile countries in the
world, that the poor are suffering
want and even starvation while the
more prosperous Mexicans find it
difficult to provide sustenance for
their families.

Prices of food in the United States,
even if considered by American
housewives to be high, are not to
be compared with those prevailing
in Mexico since the embargo was
placed on the exportation of food-
stuffs from the United States to neu-
tral countries.

An opportunity to compare Mex-
ican prices for staple articles with
those obtaining in the United States
is afforded by the following quotat-
ions from merchants here:—
Sugar sells for 27 cents a pound,
American money, and is very scarce
at this price.

American butter brings 90 cents a
pound, gold, and is the occasion for
celebration in the Mexican homes
when it can be obtained at this
price. Butter is unknown among the
poorer classes.

Flour sells for 16 cents a pound,
and is growing more expensive as
the embargo restrictions are made
more stringent. Little wheat is
eaten by the middle and lower
classes who use flour for making
tortillas, a cake made of flour and
water.

American brands of coffee sell as
high as 75 cents a pound and is very
scarce. Mexican green coffee brings
28 cents a pound and is roasted over
charcoal fires as it is used.

Rice, used principally by the
Chinese and Japanese living in Mex-
ico, is worth 12 cents a pound.
Lard is another article which has
more than doubled in price because
of the American embargo. It brings
95 cents a pound when it can be
obtained. The principal source of
supply is the smuggler.

Beans, which are a staple food
throughout Mexico and are eaten
three times a day, sell for 10 cents a
pound. This is the only food which
has more than doubled in price be-
cause of the American embargo. The red frijoles
is much preferred to the American
white navy bean.

No ham or bacon can be bought
here at the present time. The last
shipment received sold for 83 cents
a pound.

Chile peppers, grown in all parts
of Mexico, are the only food which
which has not increased in price.
It sells for three cents a pound.

Small purchases are the rule in
the small Mexican stores and shops.
The centavo, or penny, formerly was
the most used medium of purchase
and exchange. It was not uncom-
mon for children to ask for one cent's
worth of sugar, lard or even flour.

Central markets supply vegetables,
fresh and dried meats and other
commodities. The Chinese gardeners
have obtained a monopoly of the
green grocery business and they raise
quantities of vegetables on their
well tended farms near this and
other large cities. The Chinese also
carry vegetables, or from the farms
in big baskets suspended from a
yoke which the peddler balances over
his neck.

**Invents New War
Bread by Substituting
Cottonseed For Flour**

New York.—Two war-time inven-
tions, one a formula and the other a
process, which promise, respectively,
to advance war surgery and solve
acutely the problem of bread, were
shown to the members of the
National Institute of Inventors at
their meeting yesterday in the Pul-
itzer building. The new devices, in-
vented by members of the institute,
were exhibited by Thomas Howard,
the chairman.

Palatable war bread, Victory
cake and win-the-war breakfast
food, it is said, can be made from
the flour produced from cottonseed
meal by the process invented by M.
Quinn, a silk manufacturer. Dieti-
tarians pronounce this substitute the
best yet, and say it is very nutritious
and digestible. The bread, they re-
port, is much more tasty than that
made from bran or other wheat flour
substitutes.

The inventor asserts that this sub-
stitute flour will save nearly 50 per-
cent. of the wheat crop of the United
States. One hundred and twenty-five
thousand tons of this new flour, he
said, has been ordered by Norway
and is now awaiting shipment.

"Cottonseed meal was long regard-
ed as worse than useless," said Mr.
Howard, "but by Mr. Quinn's pro-
cess it can be made into a very de-
sirable flour. We have written to
Mr. Hoover. He is very much inter-
ested and has ordered for samples."

A formula devised by an inventor
who must at present be anonymous,
which has greatly interested the War
Department was shown by Dr. F. C.
Luhau, secretary of the institute.
This consists of the production of
tincture of iodine by using only sul-
phur and distilled water. At present
alcohol is used to make the tincture.
The preparation now in use is ex-
tremely irritant, but it is said that
the new iodine is non-irritant, non-
poisonous and even more effective
than the alcoholically produced tinc-
ture.

A drive for \$500,000, for the es-
tablishment of research laboratories
in all parts of the country, will be
started soon by the members of the
institute. All of the 1,800 members
of the institute will take part in this
campaign.

In recognition of his services
Thomas Howard, the chairman, was
presented with a diamond ring yester-
day.

**Agents of One Company
Sell \$20,000 Worth of
War Stamps in County**

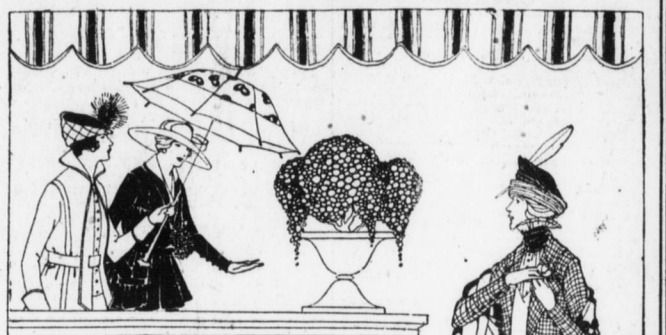
John Heathcote, accredited Thrift
and War Stamp agents, announced
to-day, that the agents for the Met-
ropolitan Life Insurance Company,
have sold \$20,000 worth of Thrift
and War Savings Stamps in Dauphin
county, since they started several
weeks ago. In all the country has
purchased \$117,000 which gives the
Metropolitan agents credit for the
sale of one-sixth of the total. The
agents are giving one day a month
entirely to pushing the sale of stamps
in the district.

With Easter But One Week Away



Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart

Easter Eggs and Bunnies Ready Tomorrow
The showing is not quite so large as it has been in other years, so it will be advantageous to make Easter candy purchases to-morrow.
The most delicious hand-dipped cream cocoanut eggs you have ever tasted are on sale in the candy section at..... 5c
Chocolate coated marshmallow eggs..... 1c
Chocolate coated rabbits..... 1c
Chocolate coated chickens..... 1c
Chocolate cream hogs..... 1c
Whipped cream eggs, flavored with cocoanut, walnut, cocoanut and pistachio, Each..... 5c
Cream cocoanut chocolate covered decorated eggs, Each..... 10c, 20c, 30c, 60c and \$1.00
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Basement.



The Vogue of the Poke Hat Suits and Coats That Convey The Most Youthful Style a Woman Can Wear--Shown in Many Effects at

\$4.00, \$5.00 to \$12.00
WOMEN who know the advantage of selecting their Easter Hats early will find a wonderful variety of the latest styles at their service tomorrow—300 new models having joined the stock Thursday, and scores more on the way.

The outstanding feature of Easter Millinery is the great popularity of the Poke hat—the black lacquered straw shapes—cire ribbon and flower trimmings.

We are pleased to announce a matchless variety of these styles all through the price range from..... \$4.00 and \$5.00 to \$12.00
Beautiful Styles at \$4.00 and \$5.00

Poke shapes in the lead in black and all the colors to match the new Spring suits and dresses—khaki, browns, blues, greys, red, purple, tan, sand—trimmed with lustrous cire ribbon, colored facings, quills, fancies, fruit and flowers.

New Rough Braid Hats at \$10.00 and \$12.00

The last word in stylish Easter millinery—quite the smartest thing brought out this season—pokes, mushrooms, turbans, trimmings of burnt goose, feathery fancies, gay ribbons, cire ribbon, wheat, flowers, colored facings—an exclusive showing for Saturday. Black, grey, red and other colors.

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Smartness of Style and a Note of Newness

Sturdy Tweeds and Navy Blue Are Highly Favored
The woman who wears a Dives, Pomeroy and Stewart suit or coat has the satisfaction of feeling that she is always well dressed—and she has the added satisfaction of knowing she did not pay an exorbitant price for her garment.
In style, in fit, in quality, in workmanship, the garments we present leave nothing to be desired.
The secret of the moderateness of price of the scores of styles that are now being shown—lies in our great volume of sales.

Exclusive Styles of Suits - - \$39.50 to \$85.00 With Many Attractive Garments at \$25 to \$37.50

There are suits of fine quality serge tricotine, gabardine, all-wool checks and imported as well as American tweeds. Each garment is of the highest character in designing and there is a rich application of buttons, braid, vestes and other trimmings.

Originality in Coats and Dresses For Girls

The most attractive group of coats and dresses for junior misses, girls and children that we have ever shown is ready for the inspection of critical mothers.
Dresses of fine quality colored cottons representing styles that are ultra-exclusive, are very moderate in price.
Coats of serge, tricotine, velour and checks are priced at..... \$4.95 to \$20.00
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Easter Shirts and Neckwear For Boys

Even the little fellows will be able to appear to as good an advantage on Easter as their older brothers for whom this special display is made.

Scores of shirt and blouse styles are ready.

BOYS' NEGLIGEE SHIRTS
Silk stripe madras and crepe shirts, with soft fold cuffs..... \$1.50, \$2.00 to \$2.95
Boys' crepe, madras and high grade percale shirts..... \$1.00, \$1.15 and \$1.25
Boys' negligee percale shirts, with separate soft collar and fold cuffs..... 75c
White madras shirts..... 60c and \$1.15
White madras shirts with collar attached..... 75c
Collegiate white madras negligee and plaited front shirts in hand style with laundered cuffs..... \$1.25

WHITE BLOUSE WAISTS
"K. & E." light stripe percale blouse waists in novelty and hair-band styles, sizes to 15 at..... 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25
"K. & E." light stripe percale blouse waists in novelty and hair line stripes..... 75c

NECKWEAR FOR BOYS
New silk four-in-hands in broad end styles of medium and dark colors; in plaids and Roman and ombre stripes, 25c, 35c and 50c
Boys' reversible four-in-hands in plain colors..... 25c
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Men's Store

Fashionable Walking Boots For Women From the Banister Factory

For 75 years James A. Banister has been a leader in the production of fine footwear for men. This splendid organization has now designed a street boot for women fashioned of light weight mahogany calfskin in a smart full toe English-last carrying a medium heel. This new boot is 8 1/2 inches high, laced through 16 small eyelets, and is one of the most distinctive boot styles shown this season.

All Sizes---\$10.00

Women's Oxfords—Tan calfskin and cordo calf, straight wing tip, Cuban and low military heels, \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$6.50
Women's Boots—Pearl grey kidskin, 8 inch lace style, high covered heels..... \$10.00
New Laird Schober & Co. models for women— \$6.00 to \$10.00
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Market Street.

Spring Weight Hosiery and Underwear

Spring weather at this time of the year, is as a rule a fickle thing, but never the less there are many persons making a change to lighter weight hosiery and underwear—our new spring garments await their pleasure.

WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR
White cotton ribbed union suits, sleeveless, knee length, lace trimmed and cuff knee, regular and extra sizes..... 50c
White lisle "Nushape" union suits, sleeveless, knee length, lace trimmed and cuff knee, regular sizes, 90c; extra sizes cut ribbed vests, regular and extra sizes..... 25c
White lisle ribbed vests, low neck, sleeveless, extra sizes..... 39c
WOMEN'S HOSE
Black lisle hose, fashioned feet, spliced heels and toes..... 50c
Black silk lisle hose, fashioned feet, spliced heels and toes..... 75c
Thread silk boot hose, lisle tops, fashioned feet, high spliced heels, black and white..... \$1.35
Thread silk hose, lisle garter tops, fashioned feet, black, white, navy and bronze..... \$2.50
Thread silk hose, fashioned feet, high spliced heels, black, white and colors..... \$2.00
Thread silk out-size hose, lisle tops, high spliced heels, black and white..... \$1.50
MEN'S UNDERWEAR
Spring weight white cotton ribbed union suits, short sleeves, ankle length..... \$1.50
Spring weight Egyptian cotton ribbed union suits, long and short sleeves, ankle and knee length..... \$1.50
White lisle ribbed union suits, short sleeves, ankle length..... \$2.00
White madras athletic union suits, knee length, White nainsook "BYD" athletic union suits..... \$1.15
MEN'S HOSE
Fine lisle seamless hose, black, smoke, navy and cordovan..... 25c
Silk lisle seamless hose, black, tan, grey and navy..... 35c
Silk plated seamless hose, black, grey, champagne and cordovan..... 65c
Fancy silk clocked hose, black, navy, white, grey and cordovan, fashioned feet, high spliced heels..... \$1.25
Fibre silk hose, seamless, black and colors..... 35c
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

What a Man Wants to Know About Easter Suits

Spring Suits, \$15.00 to \$50.00
Young Men's Models, \$20 to \$35

As water seeks its own level so most men quickly discover where the high mark of good style and worthy quality in clothes merits their patronage.

With four of America's best clothes makers back of our stocks, and many other good clothes producers co-operating, we are confident of our **EASTER SUITS and TOPCOATS** meeting the most exacting demands of critical men and young men.

All the nifty new models in military and English effects for young men in tan, khaki, blue, brown, green, grey and neat stripes and fancy mixtures—single and double-breasted coats of cleverest tailoring..... \$20.00 to \$35.00

For Men—More conservative models in two and three-button semi-form-fitting coats..... \$15.00 to \$50.00

Lightweight Topcoats---\$15 to \$30

Boys' Easter Suits---New Trench Models
6 to 18 years, \$7.50, \$8.50 to \$12.50

Blue serge, tan, mixtures, brown tweeds, green and brown Carlton checks, grey cassimeres, black and white pin checks—some suits have extra pair trousers—styles from America's leading specialists in boys' clothes.
Norfolk and English models, sizes 6 to 18 years..... \$5.00 to \$20.00

Boys' Wash Suits---\$1.00 to \$5.00

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor, Rear.



A Woman's Gloves Are Important at Easter Time

And we don't believe it is possible to buy as good gloves in any other store as you can buy at our glove section. Trefoussé gloves, made for us in France, are shown in many styles.

French kid gloves, two pearl clasps, black with white pique stitching..... \$3.25
Kid gloves, one pearl clasp, pique stitching, grey, and tan fancy embroidery..... \$3.25
French kid gloves, two pearl clasps, white with fancy embroidery..... \$2.00
French kid gloves, two clasps, white with black embroidery and black with white embroidery..... \$2.50
French kid gloves, two clasps in white..... \$2.25
Kid gloves, two clasps, in white..... \$1.75
Washable kid gloves, one clasp, white, tan and ivory..... \$2.25
Washable chamousette gloves, two clasps, white, self and black embroidery..... \$1.00
Silk gloves, two clasps, double finger tips, white, self and black embroidery..... \$1.00
Silk gloves, two clasps, double finger tips, white, black, ivory and grey fancy embroidery..... \$1.00 to \$2.00
Silk gloves, two clasps, double finger tips, white black and colors..... 85c
Silk gloves, two clasps, double finger tips, white black and colors..... 75c
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

Semi-Porcelain Dinner Ware, Light In Weight Richly Finished With a Gold Band

An opportune sale of 1000 pieces of "K. T. & K." trade marked dinner ware is made possible through our acquisition of samples which we shall not be able to duplicate. The sale comprises cups, saucers, plates, soup plates, covered dishes, platters, vegetable dishes and many other desirables.

Come early to-morrow if you are interested.
Cups and saucers, pair..... 25c
5 inch plates..... 12c
6 inch plates..... 15c
7 inch plates..... 18c
6 inch soup plates..... 18c
7 inch soup plates..... 22c
7 inch vegetable dishes..... 33c
8 inch vegetable dishes..... 48c
7 inch covered dishes..... \$1.10
10 inch platters..... 18c
12 inch platters..... 33c
Milk pitchers..... \$6.50
Oat meal dishes..... 45c and 35c
Sauce boats..... 45c
Seven piece cut glass water set, 6 fine lead blown heavy bottom tumblers, in floral spray cutting with chrysanthemum cut center, pitcher to match set..... \$2.69
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Basement.

A Nemo Corset Is a Safe Investment

You can depend upon getting good style, utmost comfort, extra long wear and hygienic service.
We emphasize "hygienic service" because we believe this to be the one feature that makes the corset an "essential" to-day.
Because of its exclusive hygienic service, the Nemo is the one corset that is a vital necessity to millions of women who are having unusual demands made upon their strength and energy.
The Nemo Wonderlift gives a form of support that is needed by almost every woman. The Wonderlift Bandlet supplies a set of artificial muscles to take the strain off the body and hold vital organs in normal positions.
Nemo Wonderlift corsets..... \$6.00
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Women's Spring Footwear New Arrivals at \$5 to \$6.50

Made of selected gun metal calf, patent colt skin and Tobasco calf in seamless slipper and pumps.
Lustrous gun metal calf seamless opera slippers, high 1 1/2 Louis covered heels..... \$5.00
Patent colt skin seamless pumps, with long fore-part vamp and stitched wing tips; 1 1/2 leather heels..... \$6.00
Tobasco calf seamless parade pumps with 1 1/2 military heels..... \$6.50
Shoe soap calf seamless pumps with 1 1/2 auto heels..... \$6.50
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor, Rear.