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FOOD COSTS ARE VARIABLE, TABLE FOR YEAR SHOWS

Many Staples Have Mounted Since January, 1918, Grocers Report OFFEE BIG OFFENDER Butter and Eggs at Last Strike the Downward Course

The great American dollar represents far less actual value this year than in 1918. A general survey of local market conditions to-day shows...

Not So Goldarned Easy as It Looked



PLAN ABOLITION OF 4 DANGEROUS GRADE CROSSINGS

Public Service Commissioner Rilling Confers With County Officials John S. Rilling, of the Public Service Commission, conferred to-day with the Dauphin County Commissioners on plans for the abolition of grade crossings along the Philadelphia and Reading railway main line at Swatara Station.

WILSON TO HEAD WORLD LEAGUE?

Paris, Jan. 24 (Havas).—President Wilson is likely to be offered the presidency of the commission of the League of Nations, the Echo de Paris says to-day.

LYNCH WILL ASK \$50,000 LOAN TO PAVE HIGHWAYS

Council Fears Two Special Elections Will Be Necessary Commissioner W. H. Lynch, superintendent of the city highway department, said to-day he is planning to introduce in council an ordinance authorizing a vote on a bond issue of \$50,000 to be used in payment for paving street intersections and in front of non-assessable property.

RECURRENCE OF INFLUENZA IS NOT AT DANGER POINT

More Cases of Pneumonia Are to Be Expected During the Winter While physicians in the city are reporting new cases of influenza, Dr. J. M. J. Raunick, city health officer, said he does not look for another epidemic similar to the one of last fall.

GREAT VESSELS BEAR SOLDIERS FROM WAR ZONE

Battleships, Liners and Transports Bring Fighters to New York Port New York, Jan. 24.—More than 3,700 American troops arrived here to-day on five vessels—the battleships Louisiana and New Hampshire, in service as transports; the French line steamship Chicago, the American transport Goentoe and the American steamship Acemaco.

TROTZKY, TRAPPED IN NARVA, CAPTIVE OF THE ESTHONIANS; LITHUANIANS ROUT THE REDS

Bolshevik Envoys Are Ordered Out of Stockholm

AFRICAN MINERS SPURN THE REDS

Strike Fiasco Is Lesson For the Dark Toilers

Crushing the Reds

Trotsky, Bolshevik leader, has been trapped in Narva and taken prisoner by the Estonian forces, according to dispatches received at Baste from Libau.

Basle, Jan. 24.—Leon Trotzky, the Bolshevik minister of war and marine did not escape from Narva after the defeat of the Bolsheviks by the Estonians, but was taken prisoner, according to dispatches received here from Libau.

Natives of the Rand, the rich gold-mining region of the Union of South Africa, will have nothing to do with the Bolsheviks, the strike fiasco last June having caused the natives to lose confidence in the International Socialists.

Basle, Jan. 24.—Lithuanian troops have defeated the Bolsheviks near Kosedyard, about midway between Kovno and Vilna, according to reports from Kovno received to-day.

Stockholm, Jan. 24.—The Swedish government has sent an ultimatum to the Bolsheviks, demanding their departure from Sweden by January 25 at the latest, according to the Politiken.

The Russian Bolshevik government threatens to keep in jail Swiss citizens in Russia until the Swiss government ratifies the appointment of a special election.

Mad Dogs!

LONDON, Jan. 24.—Paul N. Milukoff, former foreign minister of Russia, who is in London, was surprised when told that the Allies had invited the Bolsheviks of Russia to a conference. He said: "The Bolsheviks are in no wise representative of the Russian people. They are robbers and cutthroats; mad dogs who wish to bite others so that all may be mad."

HOTEL OWNERS HAVE HOPES FOR A YEAR'S GRACE

Believe War Order Will Be Revoked Before First of July Additional liquor license applications are being filed daily at the office of Prothonotary Charles E. Pass, as the last day to present the petitions is next Wednesday. Applications will be heard in court February 19.

Attorneys of the county bar who are applying for the present holders said they anticipated the government "bone dry" order effective July 1, may be revoked, which would mean that the saloons could remain open until next January when the federal prohibition amendment becomes operative.

Dry forces, however, take the opposite view, and believe the government order for July 1 will not be changed, and as a result if liquor licenses are taken out by all the present holders in the city and county, they would only be of value from March 1 to July 1.

Applications have also been filed for the Folger Inn, Dauphin; Bolton House, Harrisburg; Eagle Hotel, Linglestown; National Hotel, Hummelstown; Hotel Acri, 404 Chestnut street; Hotel Verbeke, 214 Verbeke street; Central House, Wiconisco; Hotel Wallace, 1200 Wallace street; Pleasanton, Reading; P. R. R. Hotel, 1237 North Seventh street; Maple Grove Hotel, Sixth and McClay streets.

CITY JOBS OPEN Applications will be received until February 3, by R. Ross Seaman, clerk of the civil service board, from persons seeking appointment as assistant draftsman and transmittal, and as stenographer, in the city engineer's office. The closing position is open to women, the former to men. Dates for examinations will be announced later.

WORLD MESSAGE WARNS AGAINST MIGHT OF ARMS

Allied and Associated Powers Decide to Send Wireless Around the Earth

FOCH HEADS COMMISSION

Supreme Council Wants the Strength of Occupation Forces Determined

Paris, Jan. 24.—"The allied and associated powers to-day agreed to send a wireless message throughout the world warning all concerned that parties using armed force to gain possession of territory, the claims to which the Peace Conference would be asked to determine, would "seriously prejudice the calms of those who used such force."

Paris, Jan. 24.—The Supreme Council of the

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Mrs. Mary L. Graupner Buys Big Property

Job J. Conklin, trustee of the Property Piano Player Company's property, the firm having gone into bankruptcy January 30 last year, sold to Mrs. Mary L. Graupner the three-story brick factory and the site on which it is erected at Carlisle and Derry streets, along the manufacturers' siding of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, for \$22,000.

GERMANY FACES BIG WAGE UPHEAVAL

Amsterdam—Matters have reached such a pitch in Berlin owing to the strike of coal miners, that householders in the German capital may hereafter have no gas to use between 8.30 o'clock and 11 in the morning and between 2 and 6 in the afternoon. Herr Richter declares that the obvious tendency of the workers was to convert the revolution into a wage movement that would endanger all Germany.

FOUND DEAD IN BED

Waynesboro—David Besecker, 52 years old, and separated from his wife who is living in Harrisburg with her daughter, was found dead in bed here this morning.

FORMER KING STILL IN LONDON

London—The widely circulated rumor that former King Manuel of Portugal was about to land on Portuguese territory is at least premature. Ex-King Manuel was still in London to-day.

WANTS ALL YANKS BROUGHT HOME

Washington—Representative Garland, just returned from overseas, introduced a resolution to-day demanding "the return of the soldiers by every transportation facility that can be made available" and for the immediate discharge on arrival in this country of drafted men and members of the National Guard.

VARDAMAN HEARS OF COAL PRICES

Pottsville—"The operator who can produce more cheaply than his competitor is justified in exacting greater profits," said a witness at the Senatorial probe into coal conditions here to-day. Senator Vardaman, of Mississippi, shook his head and said: "That seems to be the general inclination of man these days."

KNOX FAVORS FAMINE RELIEF

Washington—Senator Sherman attacked the \$100,000,000 European food bill to-day, reiterating his belief that some of the money was to be used to feed the Russian Bolsheviks. Senator Knox spoke in support of the bill.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Samuel Roberts and Mary M. Eckton, Harrisburg, David M. Peterman and Emma E. Kitzmiller, Lemoyne, Paul D. Leitner, Kingstons, and Helen E. Hoffman, Hebe, Clifton D. Hollis and Bertha E. Cleary, Washington, D. C.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and colder to-night, with low temperature about 25 degrees Saturday fair. Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night, with moderate gales along the Atlantic coast from Hatteras northward, and over the eastern portion of the Great Lakes. The highest velocity reported at 8 a. m. was 44 miles from the northwest at New York City.

One Year's Changes in the Food Prices of Harrisburg

Table with 3 columns: Item, Jan. 24, 1918, and Jan. 24, 1919. Items include Navy (Pea) Beans, Gray (Marrow) Beans, Lima Beans, White Beans, Creamery Butter, Creamery Print, Fresh Prints, Tub, Storage, Compound Lard, Fresh Eggs, Storage Eggs, Winter Flour (12 lbs.), Spring Flour (12 lbs.), Pure Lard, Cornmeal (bulk), Potatoes, Pennsylvania No. 1, Granulated Sugar, Ham, lb. (whole), Beef, Sirloin Steak, Beef, Round Steak, Beef, Chuck Steak, Lamb, Leg, Lamb, Chop, Lamb, Shoulder, Lamb, Stewing, Bacon, Pork Chops, Pork, Roast, Pork, Side.

FIRE IN CHIMNEY

When the board placed on the top of the chimney at the home of Lawrence Hall, 214 Nectarine street, to keep the rain out and prevent a down draft, caught fire early this morning, sparks were blown in every direction, causing considerable alarm in the neighborhood, and an alarm was turned in. Later, in answering a call to Twenty-first street, where a chimney fire caused slight damage, the Royal Fire Company apparatus stuck in the mud. No damage was done.

17-YEAR LOCUSTS TO SWARM OVER FIELDS THIS YEAR

One of Worst Broods in History Scheduled to Make Its Appearance The most interesting insect in the world, the periodical cicada, is going to be seen, perhaps in very large numbers, during the coming spring and early summer in Dauphin county and over large regions of the United States where this brood has not appeared before for seventeen years and over other regions where another brood appeared thirteen years ago. This is the insect commonly referred to as the "17-year locust," a name that is incorrect in at least two particulars. It is not a locust at all, that name being prop-

SISTERS, FAGED IN WAR SERVICE, LEAP OFF LINER

Red Cross Workers, Gladys and Dorothy Cromwell Seek Rest in River Bordeaux, Jan. 24.—Misses Gladys and Dorothy Cromwell, sisters of New York, leaped from the rail of the French steamer La Touraine as the steamer was in the Garonne river bound for New York to-day. Both were drowned, the bodies not being recovered.

President Wilson's Aunt Dies at Denver

Denver, Jan. 24.—Mrs. Helen Sill Woodrow, aunt of President Wilson, died late last night at the home of her daughter. She was 77 years old. Mrs. Woodrow was the sister of General Joshua Sill, after whom Fort Sill, Okla., was named.

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