

LOWER PRICED MEAT FORESEEN WITHIN MONTH

Chicago Packers' Experts Predict Result of Livestock Drops.

'SELLING PANIC' IS ON

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—Consumers can begin digesting lower-priced meat within the next month as the result of present sensational declines in live stock quotations, research departments of Chicago packers predicted today.

Admitting drops from \$23 to \$10.50 for hogs and similar reductions in cattle markets in less than a year, theoretically indicate great cuts in dressed pork and beef prices, these economists believe the public will benefit but little because:

By-product prices—the gauge of retail meat quotations—have declined.

Retail dealers are reluctant to make competitive reductions.

A month is required for cattle and hogs to wend their way through the preparation processes to the consumer's table.

Retail meat prices already should have started downward, Leslie O'Rear of the research department of Armour & Co. said, because of lower trends of wholesale meats in the last two months.

"Our prices began dropping when export business fell off, the buying less demand," O'Rear said. "The wholesale prices came from \$23 to \$15 on the strength of this. Retail prices should now average 5 cents under quotations a month ago."

"Lately farmers have been holding off shipments because of the election and the budget cuts. They began dumping their cattle and hogs in November. Some time ago, the big break was Thursday, when the decline was from \$21 to \$15.00 on hogs. It has developed into a 'selling panic.'

Similar drops in by-products, O'Rear explained, will curtail the effect of the decline in live stock prices because packers count the revenue from the waste to balance the returns from the sale of dressed meats.

"While live stock is a market created by its sellers, by-products can not now be disposed of at any price," according to O'Rear.

Hog quotations have dropped from \$30 to \$21 and offals and other by-products have declined similarly, he said.

This would result in lower prices of shoe, clothing and other articles, according to experts, but the public's buying strike has taken away the market for the raw material.

By-products of lamb, which a year ago sold at \$14, bring \$1 now, according to L. H. D. Weld of the research department of Swift & Co. Weld also held retail dealers responsible because the public has not benefited from recent reductions in wholesale prices.

FORMER PREMIER RAPS REPRISALS

Asquith to Ask Condemnation of Irish Outrages.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—Former Premier H. H. Asquith has given notice he will move a resolution in the House of Commons this afternoon condemning the outrages against British army officers in Ireland.

"I feel only deep abhorrence for Sunday's assassinations," said the ex-premier. "But at the same time I deplore the fact that British soldiers are attempting to suppress Irish terrorism through reprisals. There is the utmost urgency for immediate steps toward pacification."

Two persons died at Cork today from wounds received when a bomb was thrown in Cork street. Sixteen persons were injured.

There was renewed activity by the British troops and black and tan policemen at Dublin throughout the night. Pedestrians were stopped in the streets and searched.

The night porter at the Hotel Greenam in Dublin, where British army officers were killed by gunmen Sunday, has been arrested.

The jails at Dublin are crammed with prisoners. More than 100 arrests were made in Dublin and environs during the last twenty-four hours.

The death list in Ireland in disorders since last Saturday is approaching forty-five.

An outbreak occurred at Ballylongford, where Edmund Carmody, a civilian, was shot by black and tan.

During the night, British police raids in the Dublin district the residence of Archbishop Walsh was raided and William Kelly, the archbishop's valet, was arrested.

4 Trainmen Injured on Southern Pacific

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 24.—Four Southern Pacific freight trainmen were injured, two perhaps fatally, when a merchandise express train ran into the rear end of an extra freight train at Chewaway today.

Details of the wreck are meager, the wreck having knocked down all telegraphic communication.

Costs Cold Million to Interpret Field Will

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—Legal interpretation of the will of the late Marshal Field cost \$1,000,000 exclusive of the expense of managing the huge trust funds created.

Judge Charles M. Foel, of the Superior Court, who construed the will, issued an order allowing attorney fees of \$900,000 and court costs of \$40,000.

The expense resulted from a friendly suit brought by Capt. Marshal Field III, against the trustees of the estate, to ascertain whether the death of Henry Field broke the trust provisions. The estate was valued at two hundred million dollars. Judge Foel's decision recently sustained the trustees.

Wizard Stays Indoors

ORANGE, N. J., Nov. 24.—Thomas A. Edison, the wizard of electricity, who has been ill with a severe cold, has virtually recovered, although he will remain at his home for a day or two to avoid a recurrence, it was announced today.

WEATHER

Forecasts for Indianapolis and vicinity for the twenty-four hours ending 7 p. m. Nov. 24. Mostly cloudy tonight and Thursday; not much change in temperature. Lowest tonight about 34 degrees.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m.	38
7 a. m.	38
8 a. m.	39
9 a. m.	39
10 a. m.	40
11 a. m.	40
12 (noon)	40
1 p. m.	40
2 p. m.	40

'THANKSGIVING BABY' CENTRAL FIGURE IN BITTER COURT BATTLE

MOTHER FIGHTS SUIT TO TAKE HIM FROM HER

Grandmother Enters Habeas Corpus Proceedings for His Possession.

YOUNGSTER IS ONLY 3

Three years ago today the Thanksgiving stock brought a baby boy to a home in Bloomington.

As this Thanksgiving day approaches Mrs. Helen Houston, 1430 South Blaine in Indianapolis, is preparing to contest a court action which aims to take her little Thanksgiving baby boy away from her.

In Bloomington, Mrs. Cleme Arnold, mother of Mrs. Houston and grandmother of little Edward Haupt Houston, the "Thanksgiving baby," is preparing to present evidence to substantiate the petition of Mrs. Arnold, asking that she be given the custody of the boy.

On Thanksgiving, Mrs. Houston and her husband, Charles, are under leaders of Superior Court Judge W. W. Thornton to appear in court as the result of habeas corpus proceedings filed by Mrs. Arnold. "All I want is happiness and happiness" (Continued on Page Two.)



MASTER EDWARD HOUSTON.

Here is Edward Houston, who is to day celebrating his third birthday at the home of his mother in this city while his grandmother and his own mother are

preparing for a battle in the courts for the permanent possession of this healthy and smiling faced youngster, who is called the "Thanksgiving Baby."

Father Is Husband of Daughter and Dad to Their 2 Children

BALTIMORE, Nov. 24.—With the inheritance here of William Jones, 51, on a charge of having married his own daughter and with being the father of her two sons, 9 and 4, there was unfolded one of the strangest tangles that has ever come to the notice of the local authorities. Detective Thomas Hogan of Baltimore, left for Jacksonville, Fla., today to bring Jones back to this city for trial.

The indictment followed most unusual circumstances, revealed to States Attorney Robert Leach by Mrs. Annael Jones, 27. According to Mrs. Jones, when she was a child she lived at Cambridge, Md. When she was 15 her mother died. From that on, she declares, her father's actions took a strange turn. Some time later, the young woman avers, her stepfather was astounded to learn that they had been married. She told Jones the day before her third birthday that her real father, but her stepfather. She believed him. Mrs. Jones said. In April, 1911, they came to Baltimore. Shortly afterward they were married at the home of a minister. The two boys, Lee and Charles, since have been born to the couple.

The first intimation she had that all was not right, Mrs. Jones said, came on April 13, last, the third anniversary of the wedding. At the time, Mrs. Jones declares, she had a dream in which she saw her wedding certificate as it was said, but next to Jones' name the word "father" appeared in large letters.

She then communicated, Mrs. Jones declares, with Jones' mother, Mrs. Laura Jones, her grandmother, and mother-in-law, and in Indiana, she says, that Jones was her real father. Some time later, she was astounded to learn that they had been married. She told Jones of the circumstances, she said, and he gave her money to come to Baltimore from Jacksonville.

Marriage license records here of April 18, 1911, show that a license was issued on that date to William Jones, 42, widower, and Anna B. Freeman, 18.

FERTILIZER MEN SPOIL CONTRACT

One City Appointment of No Use to Holder.

The alacrity with which youths in tropical climes are reputed to dive for coconuts thrown from steamer decks is nothing compared with the rush for carcasses of dead animals by some Indianapolis persons if the story which Sam Butler, city contractor for the removal of dead animals, told to the board of public works today is true. Butler is manager of the New York Orthodox company.

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Carl L. Ittenbach, vice president of the G. Ittenbach Stone Company, appeared before the coroner late Tuesday and testified that the collapse was due to insufficient bolting and riveting of the steel skeleton and the cracking of concrete on the third floor of the building.

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The questions follow:

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