

PACKERS GAIN FOOD CONTROL SAYS WITNESS

Colver Sees Danger of Entrance of Big Five Into Other Industries.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—The danger as seen by the Federal Trade Commission in the entrance of the packing industry into lines of business beyond the packing of meats was described by William B. Colver, member of the commission, to the Senate agricultural committee. In its opening hearing on the Kenyon bill to divorce ownership of the stockyards and refrigerator cars from the packing concerns of the country and to regulate by license their operation, the committee was taken over much of the ground traveled by the commission in its investigation of the packing industry.

"The refrigerator car and their use of it," said Commissioner Colver, referring to the "five big packers," was not in itself a bad thing. But they have turned the refrigerator car into a traveling wholesale grocery, peddling into every city in the country every day almost everything that people eat.

Extreme Instances Cited
"When the packers," he continued, "have found their customers buying something else besides the meat they have to sell, or its by-products, they have gradually commenced to get into the business of supplying the other things. When they have themselves been large buyers of a given commodity, they have gotten into the production of that article, and gone into competition with their former purveyors. When they have found a substance which has become to some extent a substitute for meat products, they have gone into the business of making and selling that substance."

Extreme instances of the tendency, the commissioner asserted had turned meat packers to hotel operating when they had started only to sell soap, to making tennis rackets because gut strings went in such articles, and to selling soda fountains because beef tea was there served.

Efficiency is Overemphasized
"Suppose they can reduce the cost of the wholesale meat," Senator Kenyon, a member of the committee asked at one point in the inquiry, "sell products cheaper to the consumer in these unrelated lines, develop efficiency of supply, is that not a sound economic principle which is being worked out?"

"In the first place I can not accept any promises upon which you put the question," was Mr. Colver's reply. "This much-talked-of efficiency of the packers doesn't exist. The overhead absorbs a great deal in these great business concerns."

The packers' control of meat supply through the retail establishments in England, their difficulties with Australian governmental objections to large combinations, and the question of their responsibility through control of leather prices in the high cost of shoes, were all touched upon by Mr. Colver, who said some credit, however, was due the creators and executives of the industry.

City Now Has Two Tracy Tea and Coffee Houses; P. F. Tracy From Detroit

When T. L. Tracy, the "Tea and Coffee man" at 524 North Main, decided to open his second store at 1032 Main, he ran to Detroit and talked it over with his brother, P. F. Tracy. This resulted in the gain to Richmond of a desirable new citizen, and the loss to Detroit of a progressive young business man, who has already made many friends in this community.

The new Tracy store is rather more commodious than is the old place lower down town. It has greater window display space and has been fitted up conveniently to handle the greatest number of customers in the least possible time. P. F. Tracy, who was in the same line of business in Detroit, came here to supervise installation of the fixtures and says that he is already feeling very much at home. The Tracy stores are alike in being fitted up with coffee roasters, peanut butter machines, etc. and are run strictly on the old "market basket" idea of seeing and selecting what you want, paying cash and then carrying it home.

Peasants Force Joseph To Remain in Office

BUDAPEST, Saturday, Aug. 16.—Archduke Joseph agreed today to resign as temporary regent of the Hungarian government, because of the Socialists' objections to him but consented to remain in office for the time being when peasant leaders and members of the reactionary party protested. They declared they would cause the food blockade against Budapest to be re-established unless he continued to act as regent.

ILLITERATES TO BE TAKEN IN EDUCATIONAL ARMY DRIVE

The army will accept for enlistment all white applicants, illiterate or non-English speaking citizens, who have made legal declaration of their intention to become naturalized citizens, who, after receiving instructions and training at the Recruit Educational Center, Camp Upton, for a nationwide tour. The purpose of this will be to show the nation what kind of men the army can turn out and to stimulate recruiting, according to an official order received by Sergeant Wright, in charge of the local recruiting station.

TANK STEAMER BURNS

HAVRE, France, Monday, Aug. 18.—Fire which badly damaged the American tank steamer George G. Henry, and destroyed merchandise on the docks valued at 500,000 francs today, was caused by oil from the tanker catching fire when an unloading pipe broke. The burning oil flooded the pier to which the steamer was moored.

Farmers Here Aided in Prevention of Fires

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 19.—"Visitors from rural sections of the State," says the state fire marshal, "should be especially interested in the prevention of farm fires, and our office has obtained a supply of government bulletins on the subject of Rural Fire Hazards," which will be distributed free.

"Fire has become a most serious menace to the agricultural wealth of our State. Over two million dollars' worth of farm property, which is one-third of the state's annual fire loss, is burned each year in Indiana."

CHARGES GULICK IS AGENT OF JAPAN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 19.—Charging the Rev. Dr. Sidney L. Gulick with being "simply a Japanese agent," Senator Phelan of California yesterday issued a statement attacking Senator Dillingham's immigration bill, of which he says, Dr. Gulick is the author. The bill provides for the admission of 5 per cent annually of the number of persons of each nationality now resident in the United States.

"Dr. Gulick," says the senator's statement, "is acting for the Japanese, to secure them a foothold by lumping them with all other foreigners, assimilable and nonassimilable, desirable and undesirable."

"My attention has been called to a letter written June 25 by K. K. Kawakami, the American representative of the Japanese association, who recently called a convention of this body, a government within a government, to decide whether Japanese children in America shall be instructed in the English language. This letter proves two things. First, that Dr. Gulick, though he has denied it, is simply a Japanese agent and that the bill is itself the result of collaboration with Mr. Kawakami."

EMIGRATION PREDICTED.

(By Associated Press)
MEXICO CITY, August 19.—Leopoldo Ortiz, for the past three years representative of Mexico in Germany and Austria, has returned to this country and in an interview with El Universal, he declared that great preparations are under way in Germany for wholesale emigration to Latin America.

PORCUPINE GIVEN TO ZOO

A porcupine has been presented to the Richmond Zoo by Taylor Dillman, of Sidney, Montana, who is a former resident of Richmond. The porcupine, the animal which is a large one and arrived in Richmond Tuesday morning and was put in care of Mayor Zimmerman, who at once notified the superintendent of parks, E. F. Hollarn.

Can Corn for Winter Use; U. S. Department of Agriculture Gives Housewife Directions

Corn seems to give average home canner more trouble than any other product. It is especially important, therefore, that extreme care be used and that directions be carefully followed. Much depends upon the age and condition of the corn. Select fresh, tender, juicy corn which has not reached the starchy stage. A little experience in selecting the ear and the ability to recognize corn that is just between the milky and dough stage are important.

Blanch in Hot Water

Have the utensils in readiness before starting. The jars (already tested for leaks) and tops should be boiled 15 minutes and then be left in the hot water until ready for use. The rubbers should be placed in a hot solution made with 1 tablespoon soda and 1 quart of boiling water. If a hot-water bath canner is used (either home or commercial), have the water heating in it before starting to cut the corn from the cob. A steam-pressure canner is recommended for use in the canning of corn. If used, the water in it should be started to heating before-hand. A container of boiling water should be in readiness in which to blanch the corn.

Remove husks and silk; blanch (boil) corn for 1 to 5 minutes on the cob. Dip for an instant in cold water. After cold dip, cut immediately off cob with a sharp, thin-bladed knife.

Speed is requisite in the quick canning of corn. The best results can be obtained when one person cuts the corn from the cob and another fills the containers. Pack the corn to within one inch of the top. Add one level teaspoon of salt and one-half teaspoon of sugar to each quart. Fill the jars with boiling water. Put rubbers and tops into position on the jars. When using jars with glass tops which have wire balls the top ball only should be put in place.

Place the filled jars on false bottom of wood in the water-bath canner, or into the steam-pressure canner. With the hot-water bath canner have the water above the tops of the cans.

When one period of processing is used, boil steadily for 180 minutes, starting to count time after the water is boiling vigorously. If the intermittent processing is used, boil 1 1/2 hours the first day and 1 hour on the two succeeding days, allowing only 12 to 15 hours between the first and second processing periods. Tighten the jar tops after each boiling and loosen just before starting the successive boiling. Only one period of processing is necessary with the steam-pressure cooker. When one is used, process corn 80 minutes under 15 pounds pressure at a temperature of 250° F.

When jars are removed from the canner, tighten tops immediately. Cool in a place away from drafts, test the seal, and store in a cool, dark, dry place.—United States Department of Agriculture.

BIGGEST VICTORY YET TO WIN, SAYS OTT, SPEAKER TONIGHT

Edward Amherst Ott, a lecturer known for his insight into economic and social as well as political conditions in this country, will appear on the chautauqua stage at 8:15 o'clock tonight in his already famous lecture, "Victory."

In discussing his subject Tuesday afternoon, Ott said that the American people should feel and understand the fact that only a military victory has been won, and that Democracy has been less evident in certain systems and conditions existing throughout the world and right here at home in America.

"Some people have slumped back now that the fighting is over; a feeling of victory on the field of war. They do not realize this is only one of the many on which it is up to us to win."

"Take for instance, the high cost of living. The people who are pushing on this condition have never shown so little loyalty. In spite of four years of war many of our people evidently did not catch the spirit of true humane relationship, true democracy. Many of them are in a more desperate mood, so to express it, than they were before the war. It is our battle right here at home which we must get after now."

"In my address tonight I will not give a stereotyped analysis of the after-war conditions—we have too much of that already, but I will endeavor to tell some of the real things which I have come face to face with in a special study of this country and its victories yet to come."

"Our biggest, most potent battles are yet to be fought, I believe, and it will take all the forces of civilization to combat them toward victory for humanity and brotherly associations. Many friends, Mr. Ott made when he appeared in Richmond a number of years ago have shown enthusiastic interest in again hearing the speaker, gaining something from his understanding of existing conditions."

Rotary Club Dines at Johnson Factory Today

Members of the Richmond Rotary club were entertained at the W. N. Johnson Auto Sheet Metal works, Tuesday noon. Luncheon was served in the new addition. After a number of impromptu speeches by guests and members of the club, a tour was made through the factory.

About 65 persons were present. Guests were Al Speckenhier, formerly a resident of Richmond, now of Bogalusa, Louisiana, John Hansel of Chicago, Mr. Schwartz, and W. W. Thompson of Wabash. The committee in charge was composed of Ed Hollarn and Dr. Frank Harding.

CRAMER TAKES PLACE AT NAVY RECRUITING STATION

N. C. Cramer, boatswain's mate, second class, arrived today from Indianapolis, and will be on duty at the local Naval recruiting office, relieving Lewis Christenberry.

During the war, Cramer was on duty aboard the U. S. S. Duquesne, attached to the French division in the West Indies, and was one of the ships detailed on the hunt for the U. S. S. Cyclops, which mysteriously disappeared in March, 1918.

The skin of an elephant when it is tanned is very expensive.

A Persian carpet has been in use for over 200 years.

Marshal Von Mackensen, Practically Unheard of Since Ending of War, Reported to be Training Great Army for Chinese Republic

WASHINGTON, August 19.—Before the world war Marshal von Mackensen, one of Germany's leading military authorities, did yeoman service for his country by training the armies of Germany's allies for the long-planned conflict, including the Turks and Austrians. During the war he led and drilled troops on the Italian and Rumanian fronts with marked success until the allies and America could throw their full strength into the field. With the signing of the armistice the marshal dropped out of the news dispatches. Now comes the report that von Mackensen and 8,000 officer aides have been in China since early spring training a Chinese army of 5,000,000 men according to information contained in a letter which Dr. E. L. Scharf of Washington announced today he had just received from his brother in Germany.

This was one of the first letters known to have been received here since the resumption of mail service between the United States and Germany.

Mackensen Unheard From.
Press dispatches from Germany and nearby neutral countries for the past several months have been conspicuously lacking in reference to the whereabouts and activities of Field Marshal von Mackensen, who became one of the most popular of the German commanders as a result of his successful operations in Rumania.

The letter was written in German. According to Dr. Scharf's translation, it stated:

"General Mackensen has just returned from China, where he went early in the spring, at the invitation of

the Chinese government, with 8,000 German officers, to organize and drill an army of 5,000,000 men."

The letter went on to explain, Dr. Scharf said, that the field marshal's object in returning to Germany at this time was to secure additional officers. He expects to return to China at an early date and continue the intensive training on an even more elaborate scale.

Says Information is Direct.
Dr. Scharf has been in this country about forty years. He said he took the oath of allegiance to the United States about seven years after his arrival. He was formerly a professor in the Catholic university here and numbers among his friends many men prominent in public life.

His brother's official position in Germany, Dr. Scharf said, is such that the information concerning Field Marshal Mackensen undoubtedly reached him direct from government circles.

As no official information has been received in Washington of the drilling of a Chinese army of 5,000,000, by Field Marshal von Mackensen, army officials here were unwilling to discuss the report or comment upon the possibilities which it suggests.

The first vessel to cross the Atlantic exclusively by steam power, the Great Western, sailed from Bristol, England, eighty-one years ago.

Alvie "Bays" Berries at Bargain Price; 15 Quarts Cost Him \$25

The high cost of living, particularly the cost of blackberries, has struck forcibly Alvie Threewits, a farmer, living southwest of Centerville.

Threewits recently entered a woods belonging to a neighbor and picked about fifteen quarts of blackberries, disregarding a warning against trespassing. He was arrested on an affidavit filed by the neighbor and fined \$10 and costs in circuit court Monday.

The fifteen quarts of berries cost Alvie about \$25, and he did his own picking and canning.

East End Market To Open at 5 in Future

The opening time for the east end market at Seventeenth and Main streets has been changed from 6:30 a. m. to 5:00 a. m. in order that the workman who has to be at work before the market opens, can take advantage of the opportunity of securing fresh foodstuffs.

Councilman A. J. Ford, food committee chairman, is responsible for this change in the time of opening.

Parcel Post Service Is Opened With Spain

WASHINGTON, August 19.—After exchanges extending over many years, the postoffice department announced today a successful negotiation of a parcel post convention with Spain. Parcel post service will begin September 1, pending final ratification of the treaty between the two countries. The weight limit of packages will be 11 pounds, and the rate will be 12 cents a pound or fraction of a pound.

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It is very embarrassing, not to be able to take care of your friends over night and this embarrassment is avoided with a duofold, as with it you are always prepared for the unexpected guests. These duofolds open into full size beds with two motions and can be had in oak or mahogany finish.

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