

USE OF NEWSPRINT IS SOARING IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Consumption of newsprint paper in the United States during the last three months reached a record-breaking point along with prices, the Federal Trade Commission reported in a statement issued today. The average cost of newsprint at mills at the beginning of December was \$3.90 a hundred, the commission reported, as against \$3.75 a year ago. In 1916 the price was \$1.88, the lowest in several years.

High prices failed to cut down the consumption, however, and the commission estimated that in 1919, 14 per cent more newsprint was used than in 1918.

During the fourth quarter of 1919 particularly, newsprint consumption was running up, and the commission said that the increase then over the similar period in 1918 had been be-

cause December figures have not yet been tabulated. In November, 1919, the 727 publishers reporting to the commission used 161,602 tons of newsprint, compared with 123,374 tons in Novem-

ber, 1918.

The City Engineer

REPAIR OF PAVEMENTS

The control of openings in street pavements in Richmond is effected by a system of permits, deposits and refunds authorized by the city council. The work of backfilling and repaving is taken over by the City and put under the control of the City Engineer, who does the work by force account, with city employees.

It is necessary for any person, firm or corporation desiring to make any excavation in any paved street first to make application to the city engineer, giving the location, purpose and approximate dimensions of the excavation. This application is made in duplicate, one copy being given to the applicant and the other being filed. After the application has been made a certificate is filed out, stating the engineer's approximate estimate for backfilling and relaying the pavement. To this 12 per cent is added to cover tool expense and maintenance. The applicant pays the controller the amount stated on the certificate and is then entitled to receive the permit.

The applicant may now make such excavation and lay such service pipes as are indicated on the application, but must make no backfill.

After the pipes have been laid or repaired the city engineer is notified by the applicant and the city does the remainder of the work with skilled workmen especially selected for the purpose. They make a thorough inspection of the pipes before covering them. Accurate costs are kept on a cost

sheet. It is a triplicate of the application form, the name of the applicant and the location of the excavation being a carbon copy.

The total cost of all the work incidental to backfilling and replacing the surface, plus 12 per cent is entered on the certificate. The difference between this amount and the original deposit is the "refund" to the applicant.

System Successful.

This system has been in effect since April, 1918, during which time it has proved very successful. Prior to the inauguration of the system, no street was free of chuck holes and sunken trenches. Some of these sunken trenches dated back as far as one could remember. At the present time there is hardly a sunken ditch to be found in any street in the city.

The majority of openings made are in macadam streets. These are repaired by a special repair gang, consisting of the driver of the repair wagon and two assistants. In the wagon is carried a quantity of crushed stone and sand, together with the necessary tools. Behind the wagon a tar heating kettle is hauled, which has a capacity of about one and one-half barrels.

Following is some cost data on repairing trenches with tarvia. These data include the making of the patch only, by the above mentioned repair gang.

| Sq.Ft. | No.Hrs. | Total | Cost | Sq.Ft. |
|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| 30 | 3 | \$1.30 | \$0.043 | |
| 27 | 3 | 1.30 | .048 | |
| 36 | 4½ | 1.96 | .054 | |
| 60 | 6 | 2.60 | .043 | |
| 470 | 16½ | 7.16 | .015 | |
| 18 | 1½ | .66 | .087 | |
| 72 | 7½ | 2.26 | .045 | |
| 30 | 3 | 1.30 | .048 | |
| 21 | 2½ | .97 | .046 | |
| 36 | 3 | 1.30 | .036 | |
| 27 | 4½ | 1.96 | .054 | |
| 42 | 3 | 1.30 | .031 | |
| 28 | 2½ | .97 | .035 | |
| 25 | 1½ | .71 | .029 | |
| 147 | 10½ | 4.56 | .031 | |
| 90 | 4½ | 1.96 | .022 | |
| 57 | 4½ | 1.96 | .034 | |

The average cost of labor per square foot was \$0.039.

Greenwood, Ind.

George Grinnon spent the holiday season with relatives in Monroe county, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Ramey are spending the holidays in Cincinnati, the guests of friends there. George Tappan and son, Ewing, and Mrs. Emily Tappan, went to Muncie Saturday to attend the funeral of a relative. Vernice Smith underwent an operation on Tuesday, at College Corner, having tonsils and adenoids removed. Leo Maxwell will leave this week for Florida to spend the winter. Will Ramey and Al. Addison attended a supper at the I. O. O. F. hall in Boston Wednesday night.

Students Volunteer for Work as Missionaries

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 2.—Approximately 75 per cent of the men missionaries of North America and the same per cent of the unmarried women missionaries in the last thirty-three years have been furnished by the Student Volunteer movement for foreign missions, the executive committee reported at the convention here. The report was read by John R. Mott, chairman of the executive board. It went into detail of the movement since it was organized thirty-three years ago.

Approximately 1,000 institutions, which have an enrollment of about 300,000 students, are represented in the organization today. Last year in North America 47,686 students were studying missionary subjects in 3,000 classes. The gifts of universities, colleges, and educational institutions to the missionary movement now is about \$300,000 a year, the report said.

Coroner's Jury Unable to Determine Murderer

(By Associated Press)

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 2.—A coroner's jury here today reported it was unable to determine who killed Elizabeth Ford Griffith, Dr. Christopher G. Schott's 17 year old office girl who was found dead in the physician's office, Dec. 24, with a bullet through her heart.

American New Year Drinks Trouble Yanks in Germany

(By Associated Press)

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—In the midst of the merry making incident to Berlin's second after the war New Year's eve, thoughts of "arid" New York occurred to Americans who are in the city. Every now and then, at the Adlon and Bristol hotels, where Americans have assembled, some one was heard to remark: "I wonder what they are drinking in Broadway tonight?"

Berlin did not suffer any dearth of beverages, thanks to the "hole in the west," through which liquid refreshment found its way to the capital. In anticipation of luxury and turnover taxes which will be effective after today, Berlin had its final fling. All reservations at hotels were gone days ago and because of the large number of foreigners in the city, Adlon and Bristol hotels had the biggest crowds they had ever known.

UNABLE TO REACH VERDICT

(By Associated Press)

MANASSAS, Va., Jan. 2.—Unable to reach a verdict, the jury in the case of W. C. Hall, prohibition inspector, charged with the murder of Lawrence Hudson, during a raid on alleged bootleggers, was dismissed today.

Flooded Seine River Threatens Many Factories

(By Associated Press)

PARIS, Jan. 2.—Directors of railroads and plants endangered by the rising waters of the Seine river, have been summoned by the ministry of transportation to discuss measures to protect menaced property.

It is expected that the Seine today will reach the 1910 stage and the prefect of Compiègne has taken steps to remove inhabitants whose homes are in danger. Reports received here indicate the Rhine has been falling since Wednesday.

Ask Representatives to Lower Sugar Prices

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—People who are paying 22 and 23 cents a pound for sugar nowadays are writing to Republican members of congress and are asking that something be done to lower the price. Several bills to relieve the sugar situation have been introduced, among them one by Representative R. N. Elliott, of Indiana, to place an embargo on the exportation of sugar for two years in order to keep the supply here for the people of this country.

Bentonville, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens, of Indianapolis, spent several days the guest of John Smullen and family.... Raymond Clark and family and Mr. and Mrs. Corwin Overhiser spent Sunday at Lynn the guest of Everett Love and family.... Mrs. Ross McBride of near Rushville, spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rea.... William Keller, of Richmond, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Keller.... Mrs. Maria Smullen, of Raleigh, entertained at a oyster supper Saturday evening the following ladies: Mrs. Charles Ma-

son, Mrs. Raymond Clark, Mrs. Harry Weaver, Mrs. Martha Millivo, and Mrs. Rachel Weaver, of this place, Mrs. Charles Elwell, Mrs. Frank Martin, Mrs. Ed Aikens, Mrs. Mathews, of Raleigh, and Mrs. Charles Sweet, of Rushville.... Mrs. Homer Doniker entertained the C. W. B. M. Thursday afternoon. A large number of the membership were present. During the social hour the hostess served dainty refreshments.

PARLIAMENT SEAT CONTESTED.

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Elevation of Sir Albert Stanley to the peerage will cause a spirited contest for his seat in parliament in which he represented Ashton, Lancashire. Sir Albert's majority at the last election was nearly 3,000, but it is expected these figures will be much reduced in the coming bye-election as a three-cornered fight is in prospect.

TURK DELEGATION FORMED.

(By Associated Press)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 2.—Mustapha Roshia Pasha, foreign minister; Nabi Bey, former Turkish American ambassador to Italy and a member of the committee which has been preparing data for submission to the peace conference, will, from Grand Vizier Tewlik Pasha, form Turkey's delegation to make peace with the allies. Tewlik Pasha, it has been announced will head the delegation which will be accompanied to Paris by a great number of experts.

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Judge Rules Ordinance Against Unions Invalid

(By Associated Press)

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan. 2.—Striking steel workers are not required to obtain permits from the mayor to hold union meetings. East Youngstown, Judge David J. Jenkins, of the Mahoning county court, today held unconstitutional an ordinance requiring permits to be obtained.

The decision was rendered in the case of Frank Pickens, labor organizer, who, with 72 members of a local union, had been arrested on a charge of violating the ordinance. All were ordered released.

MEXICAN EMBARGO RAISED.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The Mexican embargo against the export of important foodstuffs, especially corn, beans and Mexican cane sugar, has been raised, according to the Mexican secretary of finance, as reported to the state department today. Crops were plentiful last season in Mexico, and exports have already begun via El Paso, the report said.

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