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#### WILSON'S FOOD ORDER.

PEOPLE CALLED ON TO CONSUME LESS WHEAT AND MEAT.

Economy is a Necessity to Success in War and it is a Patriotic Duty for Loyal Americans to Obey Order.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The American people will go on a war bread diet Monday as a part of the war rationing system prescribed tonight by President Wilson and the food administration "victory bread" the food administration calls it. The reduced rations are asked for the purpose of creating a larger export surplus of food for the allies. Curtailment of consumption will be accomplished largely by voluntary effort, but force will be employed wherever permitted under the food control act.

The rationing system, as presented by the president in a proclamation and by the food administrator Herbert Hoover, in a list of regulations, forms the food administration's 1918 food conservation program of which the chief features are:

A baker's bread of mixed flours, beginning Monday with 5 per cent. substitution of other cereals for wheat until a 20 per cent. substitution is reached February 24.

Sale by retailers to householders of an equal amount of substitute flours for every pound of wheat flour purchased at the time the wheat flour is bought.

Sale by millers to wholesalers and wholesalers to retailers of only 70 per cent of the amount of wheat flour sold last year.

Two wheatless days a week—Monday and Wednesday—and one wheatless meal a day.

One meatless day a week—Tuesday—and one meatless meal a day.

Two porkless days a week—Tuesday and Saturday.

Manufacturers of macaroni, spaghetti, noodles, crackers and breakfast foods, pie, cake and pastry will be permitted to buy only 70 per cent. of their last year's purchases. Flour will be sold in such a manner that each community will receive its equivalent share.

The food administration will purchase for the army and for the allies, as announced recently, 30 per cent. of the flour output.

Wheat millers are required to produce one barrel of 264 pounds of wheat, which represents a 74 per cent. flour. No patent or special flour may be manufactured, although whole wheat flour may be made as usual.

Hotels and restaurants will be classified as bakeries and will be required to serve the new victory bread.

State food administrators will be permitted to designate the wheatless meal in each State.

The president's proclamation besides calling on the public for a further reduction in consumption makes a renewed appeal to the housewife to save the waste of food.

There is no forcible limitation of purchases by householders and in this connection the food administrator says:

"The effectiveness of these rules is dependent solely upon the good will of and the willingness of the American people to sacrifice."

Of the nearly 20,000,000 householders in the United States about 13,000,000 have signed food administration pledge to follow its conservation plans.

Mr. Hoover estimates that observance of the regulations will save about 15,000,000 bushels of wheat a month for shipment abroad. This will enable the allies to subsist, although their ration will be short.

Most of the allies are mixing about 50 per cent. of corn meal and other substitutes with wheat flour in all

baked bread and all of Europe is milling a large amount of the whole wheat grain. Both France and England have recently cut down the bread ration by almost half.

"If the voluntary rationing system fails in this country it then," Mr. Hoover said today, "is up to congress. We have no powers and the law to compel people eat less."

The president's proclamation:

"Many causes have contributed to create the necessity for a more intensive effort on the part of our people to save food in order that we may supply our associates in the war with the sustenance vitally necessary to them in these days of privation and stress. The reduced productivity of Europe because of the large diversion of man power to the war, the partial failure of harvests and the elimination of the more distant markets for foodstuffs through the destruction of shipping places the burden of their sustenance very largely on our shoulders.

"The food administration has formulated suggestions which, if followed, will enable us to meet this great responsibility without any real inconvenience.

"In order that we may reduce our consumption of wheat and wheat products by 30 per cent—a reduction imperatively necessary to provide the supply for overseas—wholesalers, jobbers and retailers should purchase and resell to their customers only 70 per cent of the amounts used in 1917. All manufacturers of alimentary pastes, biscuit, crackers, pastry and breakfast cereals should reduce their purchases and consumption of wheat and wheat flour to 70 per cent. of their 1917 requirements, and all bakers of bread and rolls to 80 per cent. of their current requirements. Consumers should reduce their purchases of wheat products for home preparation to at most 70 per cent. of those of last year, or, when buying bread should purchase mixed cereal bread from bakers.

"To provide sufficient cereal food, home, public eating places, dealers and manufacturers should substitute potatoes, vegetables, corn, barley, oats and rice products, and the mixed cereal bread and other products of the bakers which contain an admixture of other cereals.

"In order that consumption may be restricted to this extent, Mondays and Wednesdays should be observed as wheatless days each week and one meal each day should be observed as a wheatless meal.

"In both homes and public eating places, in order to reduce the consumption of beef, pork and sheep products Tuesday should be observed as meatless day in each week, one meatless meal should be observed in each day, while in addition Saturday in each week should further be observed as a day upon which there should be no consumption of pork products.

"A continued economy in the use of sugar will be necessitated during the year. It is imperative that all waste and unnecessary consumption of all sorts of foodstuffs should be rigidly eliminated.

"The maintenance of the health and strength of our own people is vitally necessary at this time and there should be no dangerous restriction of the food supply, but the elimination of every sort of waste and the substitution of other commodities of which we have more abundant supplies for those which we need to save will in no way impair the strength of our people and will enable us to meet one of the most pressing obligations of the war.

"I, therefore in the national interest, take the liberty of calling upon every loyal American to take fully to heart the suggestions which are being circulated by the food administration and of begging that they be followed

I am confident the great body of our women who have labored so loyally in cooperation with the food administration for the success of food conservation will strengthen their efforts and will take it as a part of the burden in this period of national service to see that the above suggestions are observed throughout the land.

"Woodrow Wilson."

The food administration issued this statement: The following is a summary of the rules that have been formulated by the United States food administration with the approval of the president in order to effect the further conservation in foodstuffs. These rules are effective Monday, January 28.

"The effectiveness of these rules is dependent solely upon the good will of, and the willingness to sacrifice by the American people. . . Part of the rules will be enforced under the Lever food act; other parts are voluntary and will depend for their success upon public sentiment.

"1. As their part in reducing the consumption of wheat flour the consumers of the country are called upon in purchasing such flour, to buy at the same time an equal weight of the other cereals (corn meal, corn starch, corn flour, hominy, corn grits, barley flour, rice, rice flour, oat meal, rolled oats, buckwheat flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, soja bean flour and feterita flour and meals).

"The retailers are to sell wheat flour only with an equal weight of these other cereals.

"2. Consumers will be able to obtain mixed cereal bread from their bakers, who will be required to mix 5 per cent. of other cereals with their wheat flour, both in bread and rolls, and will be required gradually to increase this substitution until, beginning Feb. 24 a minimum of 20 per cent. of such cereals is to be used. The food administration strongly urges on consumers the buying of this bread, which will be known as "victory bread" and will contain not less than 20 per cent. of cereal other than wheat. Graham or whole wheat bread will also be given that name.

"If you bake bread at home, use wheat substitutes: if you buy it, buy only victory bread.

"3. Manufacturers of macaroni, spaghetti, noodles, crackers, breakfast foods, pies, cake and pastry are not to purchase to exceed 70 per cent. of the wheat flour they used during the corresponding year of 1917.

"4. Wholesalers will be required under license regulations not to buy more than 70 per cent. of their purchases of flour from millers as based on their purchases for the corresponding months of the preceding year, and their sales to the retail trade must be in the proportion of one pound of wheat flour to one pound of other cereals. . .

"5. Millers of flour are to distribute their output through their customary channels and make this in such a manner that each city, town and district may receive its usual proportion. The wheat millers have been required to produce one barrel of flour (196 pounds) from 264 pounds of wheat. This is a white flour, and represents from 2 per cent. to 4 per cent higher extraction than from last year's harvest.

"6. To assist further in conservation Monday and Wednesday of each week are to be observed as wheatless days, and one meal of each day as a wheatless meal. This applies both in the home and in the public eating place and on such days and meals, no crackers, pastries, macaroni or cereals containing wheat should be used. The only exception to this is such small amount of flour as may be needed for thickening soups or gravies or as a binder in corn bread or other cereal breads.

"7. On wheatless days, and a

wheatless meals, the food administration urges that bread baked in the home be other than wheat bread. Victory bread should be used if no wheat substitutes can be found.

"The federal food administrator in each State will announce the meal to be observed as a wheatless meal in his State. If no meal is designated, the United States food administration prefers that the evening meal be wheatless.

"8. It is further desired in order that meat and pork products be conserved that one meatless day (Tuesday) in every week, and one meatless meal in every day, be observed, and, in addition two porkless days, (Tuesday and Saturday) in every week, be strictly kept. By "meatless" is meat without hog, cattle or sheep products, on other days use mutton and lamb in preference to beef or pork.

"9. For local situations where exceptions are necessary application should be made to the State food administration."

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#### GEN. LEE ON WAR SERVICE.

Rebukes Suggestion That Time Spent in Army Was Wasted.

Charles A. Graves writes from the University of Virginia to The New York Times as follows:

It has occurred to the undersigned, in these days when so many students in colleges are leaving their books to enter military service, that some consolation may be found in the fact that the interruption of their education—let us hope that it is only an interruption—may not be entirely time lost without compensation, even from an educational point of view. I am sending you, therefore, the following extract from an address by Professor Milton W. Humphreys, of the University of Virginia at the celebration of the Lee Centennial, January 19, 1907. It must be premised that at the time referred to by Professor Humphreys General Robert E. Lee president of Washington College (now Washington and Lee University) at Lexington, Va., and Professor Humphreys was a student in that institution. The extract is as follows:

"Just once it was my lot to receive a severe rebuke from General Lee.

While I was an undergraduate my health seemed to become impaired, and he had a conversation with me about it, in which he expressed the opinion that I was working too hard. I replied: 'I am so impatient make up the time I lost in the army—I got no further General Lee flushed, and exclaimed in an almost angry tone: 'Mr. Humphreys, however long you live, and whatever you accomplish, you will find that the time you spent in the Confederate army was the most profitable spent portion of your life. Never again speak of having lost time in the army.' And I never again did."

The result of the election at Rafting Creek precinct (Renbert) was reported yesterday afternoon as follows: Belser 10, O'Quinn 7, Stuckey 2, Merrimon 4. The total vote now stands: Belser 276, O'Quinn 246, Stuckey 77, Merrimon 65.

Mr. G. W. Shaw, who has been attending college in Clinton, S. C., has returned home to take charge of the Sumter Sales Company, as his brother, Mr. E. D. Shaw, who owns this business, is now in the aviation corps in Europe. Mr. Shaw will look after the Buick service.

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