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REGULATING FOOD PRICES.

Local Food Administration Carries **Out Instructions of National Food** cent. Administration.

The first meeting of the food administration price interpreting board was held at Chamber of Commerce yesterday. Present: G. A. Lemmon, County Food Administrator; Mrs. H. G. Osteen and Mrs .E. H. Moses, Food Administration statisticians; and the following members of the interpreting board: Mrs. Irving A. Ryttenberg, representing the consumers; Mr. D. G. F. Bultman, representing the retail dealers; Mr. Abe Ryttenberg, representing the wholesale dealers; E. I. Reardon, assistant county food administrator, chairman.

The United States food administration regulations for organization, inspection, collecting, compiling and publishing of prices charged by wholesale dealers to retail dealers, and by retail dealers to consumers, weights, measures, etc. were read and thoroughly digested.

Prices and delivery of ice, with particular reference to weights of ice as delivered by ice dealers and quality of ice too in accordance with State and city of Sumter laws, and United price. States food administration laws were also discussed, and it was decided to look closely into the question of just weights of ice, and of weights and measures for other commodities.

The board instructed the assist. ant food administrator to furnish every retail dealer in foodstuffs with : copy of the rule regarding the percentages of profits governing the food administrators in arriving at retail selling prices as outlined by the United States food administration in Washington. County Administrator Lemmon showed a letter from Federal Food Administrator William Elliott of Columbia guaranteeing additional expert inspector services in defecting violations of rules and regulations by profiteers in ice, and violations of lice weights, also of weights and measures in other food commodities, and in profiteering prices of other commodities also.

The board also directed that every wholesale dealer be supplied with blank forms for making weekly reports to the office of the interpreting board, Chamber of Commerce, every Saturday, of prevailing prices to retail dealers with statement of invoice prices, and per centages of profits. The board will meet every Tuesday, at 117A. M. to interpret these prices and check up the retail prices as reported by the official statisticians for Sumter, Mesdames Moses and Osteen. The United States food administration is determined to stop profiteering. if any there be in Sumter, also any possible short weights or short measures, and to impose the heaviest penalties of fines, imprisonment, and suspensions of business for violation. Retail dealers interested in securing copies of percentage of profits allowed as published in this paper today, may secure same from the assistant county food administrator at Chamber of Commerce, by calling or phoning, when copies will be mailed free of cost.

Lard substitutes, 16 to 20 per cent. Evaporated milk, 16 to 20 per cent.

Canned tomatoes, 25 to 30 per cent. Canned peas, 25 to 30 per cent. Canned dried beans, 25 to 30 per cent.

Dried fruits, raisins, 25 to 30 per cent.

Corn syrup, cs 20 to 25 per cent. Eggs, 20 to 25 per cent. Butter, 20 to 25 per cent. Potatoes, 20 to 25 per cent. Oleomargarine, 20 to 25 per cent. Cheese, 20 to 25 per cent. Standard ham and bacon, 2 to 5c per pound.

when any of the percentages as above the banks. are desired, use the following method: Subtract from the unit 100, the percentage to be used; thus, if 25 per cent is desired, subtract 25 from 100. the same into two decimals will show \$2.00, which will be your selling

price. You will notice that the difference between the cost of \$1.50 per dozen and \$2.00 thus obtained, is

Quote wheat flour where possible in 12 1-4 pound sacks.

When publishing or using prices on salmon and sardines percentages permitted on canned corn, peas and tomatoes should be used.

Morrison of McClellanville Also Offers for Commissioner of Agriculture. Columbia, June 14.-James F. Rice of Anderson yesterday filed his could reassure both farmers and pledge as a candidate for the United bankers. States senate. Mr. Rice is the fifth entrant in this race.

Cole L. Blease also filed his pledge and dated June 3rd: and paid his assessment fee yesterday.

S. T. Carter and W. Banks Dove, State treasurer and secretary of State. respectively, yesterday filed their tank was borrowing too heavily-pledges as candidates for reelection.

H. T. Morrison of McClellanville entered the race for commissioner of have been considerate, and will conagriculture, commerce and industries. entered the race for railroad commis- cotton and who is not abusing his sioner. Mr. Rice is a member of the Anderlaw since 1895, and has always maintained an active interest in the affairs of the State. Mr. Morrison is a farmer and peculiarly fitted for the office of com- terests. missioner of agriculture. For a number of years he has been an active leader in the farmers' union and has a large following throughout the State,

LOANS ON COTTON.

Canned corn standard, 25 to 30 per David R. Coker Contradicts Report One Hundred Citizens Banded To-That Federal Reserve Bank is Calling Loans.

> Columbia, June 14 .--- I have been advised that there is an impression among some of the farmers of the State that the Federal Reserve Bank is calling loans on cotton and is refusing to make new loans on that form of collateral. I also saw in the News and Courier of June 8th a letter from Congressman Stevenson in which he is quoted as follows:

"The embargo on shipments of cotton on railroads was followed by To arrive at retailer's selling prices the calling of all loans on cotton by

"The cotton is becoming more valuable and the only reason for a desire to call the loans is to force a sufficient amount on the market to leaving 75. Using 75 as a divisor, di- depress the price, which can only add vide the cost, which we shall assume to the 300 per cent. profit already beto be \$1.50 per dozen, by 75, carrying ing made by the manufacturers."

Such a statement from so responsible a source has undoubtedly tended to strengthen the above impression as it is not reasonable to suppose that the South Carolina bankers 50c, or 25 per cent on the selling who have been so heartily cooperating with the farmers for the advance-

ment of agricultural interests, should almost over night change their policy unless forced to do so by action of the Reserve Bank.

I recently had some correspondence with the governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond on the RICE OF ANDERSON FOR SENATE subject of the financing of cotton

While I have for a long time well understod the policy of the Richmond Bank I wished to have its attitude put cown in black and white so that I

The following clauses appear in a letter received by me from Richmond

"We have refused but one loan with cotton as collateral and that not especially because it was on cotton against old reecipts, but because the several times its capital and surplus." "You can rely upon it that we tinue to do so, and that nobody le-H. H. Arnold of Spartanburg has gitimately, entitled to a loan against

privileges will fail to get it." This direct statement from the govson bar, where he has been practicing ernor of the Richmond Bank should assure everyone interested in the matter, that the facilities of the Richmond Bank are as always at the disposal of our legitimate business in-The Reserve Bank does frown most positively upon speculation and will not afford facilities for purely speculative operations where it is satisfied of their nature. The carrying of a part of the crop, however, for the purpose of distributing it during the entire cotton scason and so maintaining a more uniform and equitable price has always been a legitimate function of the Reserve

LOYALTY LEAGUE ORGANIZED.

gether to Support Government by all Lawful Means.

Several weeks ago a number of citizens of Sumter county, who are above the draft age or are otherwise disqualified for military service, decided that a civilian organization could be of service in this county by giving united and concerted support to war measures and all other activities of the government of the United States during the continuance of the war. After mature consideration and

consultation it was agreed to organize The Loyalty League of Sumter County" with a membership of one nundred, all pledged individually and as an organization to use all lawful means in support of the government and to create a sentiment of active loyalty among all the people of every section of the county. The pledge that the members signed briefly and clearly sets forth the objects and purposes of the organization, which pledge

and the list of members are herewith published for the information of the public by the order of the League:

We, severally, on our respective sacred words of honor, and as a solemm and binding obligation, do, by signing this instrument, become members of the Loyalty League of Sumter county, and pledge our entire resources, and personal services, to the support of the United States of America in the war in which we are

for himself, pledge to do all things which may be ordained by a majority of the subscribers hereto:

J. Frank Williams, S. O'Quinn, A. G. Fishburne, W. C. Boyle,

R. D. Graham, J. R. Clack, E. K. Friar, R. K. Wilder, W. A. Bryan, M. Levi, Isaac Schwartz, S. H. Edmunds, H. W. McCollum, Joseph M. Chandler, S. R. Chandler, W. B. Upshur, H. L. Tisdale, J. W. Shaw, L. D. Jennings, A. S. Harby, J. R. Sumter, Horace Harby, A. C. Phelps, H. J. McLaurin, Jr. W. Loring Lee, C. G. Rowland, T. H. Clarke. W. L. Boyle, C. J. Jackson, I. C. Strauss, Davis D. Moise, J. J. Brennan, J. P. Booth, A. D. Harby, E. W. Dabbs, C. P. Exum, Horace Emerson, J. M. Brogdon, R. L. Burkett, H. M. McLaurin, M. L. Parler, M. D. E. C. Brown, J. L. Doby, B. McLaughlin, R. S. Hood, F. W. Andrews,, B. M. Oliver, M. S. Kirk, M. D. Francis M. Moise, J. Chapman Huger, R. M. Hildebrand, O. H. Folley, D. V. Keels, E. T Mims, S. A. Harvin, J. M. Kolb, S. L. Roddey, Joel Davis, Jno. Z. Hearon, Neill O'Donnell, I. A. Ryttenberg, Jno. P. Maurer, J. W. McKiever, H. G. Osteen, C. L. Stubbs, P. J. Gallagher, Louis Lyon, R. A. Bradham, H. N. Forrester, Bartow Walsh, G. A. Lemmon, P. G. Bowman, L H. Deas, Benjamin D. Hodges, W. Percy Smith. Abe Ryttenberg. J. A. Mood, Thomas Wilson, C. B. Yeadon. R. H. Witherspoon, E H. Moses. W. G. Moses, F. Leon Scott, C. E. Hurst. H. J. Harby, H. Drane Tindal, John H. Wilson, J. A. Warren. J. B. Britton,

T. S. DuBose, Jr., R. M. Jones, S. Weinberg, Stanyarn Burrows. The officers of the League are: President-L. D. Jennings. Vice President-A. C. Phelps. Harby. 1 1

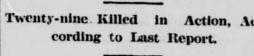
Geo. L. Mabry,

S. K. Rowland,

Archie China,

A. Lemmon, I. C. Srauss, H. J. Mc-Laurin, Jr., C. J. Jackson.

AMERICAN CASUALITY LIST.



nineteen names. Killed in action, 29; died of wounds, 5; died of accident, 3; died of disease, 6; wounded severely, 70; wounded, degree undetermine, 1; missing in action, 5; Private Willie Couch, Newnan, Ga., died of disease. Lonard C. Bush, of Buenavista, Ga., severely wounded.

Marine Casualty List.

Washington, June 14.-Marine corps casualty list contains 62 names: Killed in action, 8; died of wounds, 6; severely wounded, 48. Corporal Geo. A. Mincey, of Ogerhe, Ga., killed in action. Privates Gilbert C. Hudlow, of Atlanta and Joseph L. Morris, of Palnow engaged, and we solemnly, each metto, Ga., wounded severely.

RECORDS OF SOLDIERS.

D. A.R. and U. D. C. Seeking Information.

The committee apppointed by the support by congress of all war meas-Confederacy to obtain and preserve act in co-operation with our Allies. the war records of the Sumter county men, have not met with the response necessary to make their work after, with fairness and impartiality a success.

pride in wearing a service pin wants well as the interests of the District the record of the soldier to whose as a whole, and those who are acpatriotism that pin bears witness, to quainted with his work as a public be preserved as a part of the records official know that he can be relied ot his county.

WABE HAMPTON COBB FOR CONGRESS.

Wade Hampton Cobb has announced his candidacy for congress from the Seventh Congressional District and his first expression in doing so was to pledge his unstinted faith in Secretary and Treasurer-Horace the wisdom of President Wilson and congress in declaring a state of war Executive Committee-L. D. Jen- with Germany and Austria-Hungary. nings, A. C. Phelps, Horace Harby, G. He states that the preservation of the American ideals of freedom, liberty and democracy, and the respect and honor of the nation on land and sea could not have been otherwise guarded and maintained. To the end that Twenty-nine Killed in Action, Ac. the autocratic Kaiser of Germany might be more quickly brought to his knees, which alone will result in a Washington, June 14 .- Today's cas- lasting peace to us and our posterity, ualty list contains one hundred and he favors the prompt and aggressive



Daughters of the American Revolu- ures looking to the further organization and the United Daughters of the tions of a powerful army and navy to

Mr. Cobb, in the event of his election, promises to attend to, and look

the interests of each county in the Surely every person who takes Seventh Congressional District, as upon to make an aggressive, painsstaking and faithful public servant. Mr. Cobb who is now forty-one soldier or sailor who is serving his years of age, was born in Richland county, and there obtained his pri-

Consumers who are desirous of assisting in doing away with profiteering or short weights and measures, are advised to follow very closely the weekly publication of prices of foods by retail dealers which will be found in the same place in this paper each week. If the consumers wish a square deal they should be willing to report anything they find wrong or that they think is wrong, for investigation.

The members of the interpreting board will give much of their time to this work, without pay, and are due the cooperation and the support of the public consumers. Only by receiving reports can they . detect or cause to be detected in entional or unintentioal violations of the food administration laws, except those violations detected by the United States food administration detectives at the disposal of the local interpreting board.

For Information of Retail Dealers and Consumers.

Percentages food administrators should use in arriving at retail selling prices from retail cost prices as reported to and confirmed by the interpreting board. Adopted by Sumter price interpreting board:

Wheat flour, 80c to \$1.20 bbl. or 1c pound in less than mill packages.

Rye flour, same. Corn flour, 16 to 20 per cent.

Cornmeal, 16 to 20 per cent. Corn grits and hominy, 16 to 20 per cent

Oatmeal and rolled oats, 20 to 25 per cent. Barley flour, 16 to 20 per cent. Rice flour, 16 to 20 per cent.

Edible starch, 20 to 25 per cent. Rice, Blue Rose grade, 29 to 25 per

HENRY FORD FOR SENATE.

To Accept Nomination if Tendered. Washington, June 13 .- Henry Ford announced here tonight that at the request of President Wilson he had Banks. decided to become a candidate for United States senator from Michigan him. Neither Mr. Ford nor those in his confidence would add to a brief statement making the announcement issued after the automobile maker had called at the White House. This statement did not specify what nomi- FAVOR NATIONAL PROHIBITION. nation would be accepted but the understanding among political leaders is that the president hopes to see the Republicans of Michigan accept the invitation of the Democrats to join five members present the senate agriforces in the election of Mr. Ford, a Republican.

BRITISH LOSS REPORTED.

Casualties in One Week Were 31,171. of Whom 4,417 Were Killed.

London, June 14 .- British casualties reported for week ending today totaled 24,171 officers and men. Of these 4,447 were killed.

SUNK WITHOUT WARNING.

Swedish Steamer Sent to Bottom by Hun U-Boat.

dispatch from Copenhagen. Nine with the crew. members of the crew were killed.

Degrees for South Carolinians. Richmond, Va., June 13 .- Two stu- New Crop Tobacco Brings Twenty dents from Sumter received bachelor of arts degrees at final exercises of the graduates in medicine.

A Bloody Ooutlook.

School affairs must be in a serious

If there is any such conspiracy as Mr. Stevenson is apparently so posiif the nomiantion should be offered live of, it has not come to my knowledge and the Richmond Reserve Bank is not a party to it.

> D. R. Coker, Director Richmond Reserve Bank.

Senate Agricultural Committee Adopt Bone Dry Amendment.

Washington, June 14 .- With only cultural committee today tentatively inserted in the agricultural appropriation bill, an amendment to provide fo national prohibition during the war The opponents of prohibition announced that efforts will be made to have the committee reconsider its action.

CUNARD LINER WRECKED.

Ascania Ran Ashore on Coast of New

St. Johns, June 14 .- The Cunard liner Ascania, of 9,100 tons, ran ashore near Rosoblanche, off the southwest coast of New Foundland London, June 14 .- The Swedish early today. Reports to government steamer Dora, of 1,500 tons has been authorities indicate that she is breaksunk without warning, presumably by ing up. There were 90 passengers a German submarine, according to a aboard and all were taken off safely

FIRST SALE OF SEASON.

Cents at Timmonsville.

Timmonsville, June 13.-The first the University of Virginia just con- sale of the 1918 crop of tobacco was cluded. They were Russell Dick and made on the Timmonsville market to Thomas Baker Spann. George B. day by S. J. Cole and J. K. Blackman. Setzler, of Pomaria and Edward Reg- two progressive farmers of the Ebeinald Hipp, of Newberry, were among nezer section of Florence county. The sale consisted of prunings or sand iugs and was sold at the Banner warehouse for 20 cents per pound.

We feel that it is a privilege that we are offering, as well as a duty to the country.

We again ask that everyone who mary education in the rural schools, has a relative in service will send to afterwards attending the University the committee his record made out as of S. C., for a short while. He then fully as it is possible to do so.

negie Library in which slips containing this information can be placed, or they may be sent to the chairman or to any member of the committee. We want the following information: Name of soldier. Branch of service; regiment, company or battalion. If an officer, give rank at the time of entering service and any promotion since. Date of entering service.

Present address. Name of person furnishing record. Miss Edith M. DeLorme, Chmn. Miss Armida Moses. Miss Jennie Walsh, Mrs. H. L. Scarborough, Mrs. W. S. Dinkins, Mrs. W. L. Saunders, Mrs. R. D. Epps, Mrs. S. W. Stubbs. Mrs. R. A. Chandler.

ITALIAN FRONT ATTACKED.

Rome Reports That Austrian Attack Was Broken Up.

Rome, June 14 .- Austria-Hungarian forces yesterday launched an at- this winter than last, according to tack against the Italian lines at Cady representatives of the United Mine on the summit of Monticello Ridge. Workers' Union of America who are The attack was broken up by Italian attending the annual convention of artillery fire, the war office announced today.

War Savings Pledge Record.

The pledges for War Savings received through June 14th with district directors, number of pledges and amount of pledge, respectively, are as follows

Mrs. R. B. Furman, 32, \$6,050.00, J. A. Reames, 34, \$850.00. A. C. Thompson, 44, \$1,200.00. Miss Janie Nelson, 97, \$995.00. J. T. Dennis, 33, \$2,000.00. E. C. Brown, 158, \$2,986.00. W. A. Bryan, 80, \$2,790.00. Total number of pledges 478; total mount of pledges, \$16,871.00.

Christian Endeavor Convention. From The Daily Item, June 14.

the Sumter District Christian En- New York charged that although the deavor Union was held today at Con- suffering in New York was called to cord school house. Much interest has the attention of officials in Washingbeen shown in this meeting by the ton last winter, no effort was made members of the union of Sumter, who to provide coal. He declared also

taught in the rural districts, follow-A box has been placed in the Car- ing this line of endeavor for five years, during which time he pursued the study of law under the direction of Jno. P. Thomas, Jr., Esq., who is now Dean of the Law School of the University. After being admitted to the Bar in 1900 he worked in the office of his preceptor until 1902, when he was elected Judge of Probate for Richland county. He filled that office successfully and without opposition until 1908, when he was elected Solicitor of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, which office he still holds, having been twice re-elected without opposition.

Mr. Cobb invites the voters of the Seventh District to investigate his standing and his sixteen years of service as a public official, with the minutest care and scrutiny, and by that record he is willing for the yard stick to be applied in testing his fitness and merit to represent the Seventh District in Congress .- Advt.

COAL SHORTAGE SERIOUS. St. Paul, June 14 .- The coal short-

age probably will be more keenly felt the American Federation of Labor. Discussion of the coal situation arose late today after a resolution requesting the federation to lend its efforts to obtain coal for the New England district had been adopted.

The adoption of a resolution asking congress to derive funds for carrying on the war from taxation rather than from bond issues was the outstanding feature of the session.

Other recolutions included, those to provide means for eliminating labor spies, alleged to be employed by some large corporation, and the establishment of a minimum wage scale for government employees.

Resolutions calling upon the United States senate to consider and take immediate action on the woman suffrage bill were unanimously adopted.

In an attack on the national tuel The Third Annual Convention of administration Joseph D. Cannon of

Foundland.

