

DROP IN THE SALE OF MEAT

Consumption of Beef Falls Off Thirty-Seven and a Half Per Cent.

ADMITTED BY LEADING CHICAGO PACKERS

Reasoning of People to Eat No Meat Causes the Heavy Slump—Market Sustained by Export Trade.

CHICAGO, May 1.—That the consumption of beef has fallen off 37 1/2 per cent since the situation against the packers began was admitted by leading packers seen by a reporter today. The percentages given average the calculations of the packers seen.

The market held steady during the forenoon, chiefly, it was said, because demand export orders were being filled. One thousand head of cattle (as reported) were left over from yesterday. Opinions varied as to whether trade today would clean up the 6,000 head received.

A representative of one of the packing houses said that the yards have received 5,000 head of cattle today; a year ago the receipts were 17,751 head. Receipts for April were estimated at approximately 140,000 head less than for the same month a year ago.

The bill for injunction to be filed against the so-called beef combine is completed and as Judge Day, the representative of the department of justice, probably will leave for the east tomorrow evening, all that remains to be done, it is stated unofficially, is to wait for word from Washington to act.

The attorney general has a copy of the bill as it has been prepared in Chicago and District Attorney White authorized to go ahead on his own account and proceed as he may see fit, probably will await the attorney general's order as to the time of filing the bill.

Butchers Fear Packers.

KANSAS CITY, May 1.—E. C. Crow, attorney general of Missouri, and his assistant, S. B. Jeffries, arrived in the city from Jefferson City to get evidence to prove that there is a butcher house trust.

Mr. Crow did not remain here long, but went to St. Joseph to talk with retail butchers with several retail butchers. Later he said: "There is a beef trust operating in Missouri and myself to get evidence to prove that there is a butcher house trust."

However, the butchers that I met here today fear the power of the packers, and for that reason it is very difficult for me to get the evidence needed.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 1.—Attorney General Crow of Missouri, who arrived in St. Joseph this morning, has been investigating the status of the alleged beef trust, has been making a personal canvass of the retail butcher shops today.

He says he has gathered much evidence, but declines to enter into a detailed statement. The fact that the largest packing houses in the state of Missouri are located in St. Joseph makes this city one of the main points of inquiry, and numerous witnesses will be summoned from here to attend the hearing at Jefferson City May 6.

Evidence Hard to Get.

Mr. Jeffries believed that a butcher's union exists here similar to the organization of retail butchers in St. Louis, but he found no evidence of such an organization. After much effort Mr. Jeffries persuaded a number of retail butchers to meet him. The conference was held behind closed doors and all the butchers asked Mr. Jeffries to refuse to make public their names.

The conference was so secret that neither the meeting place nor the names of any of the butchers was divulged. After the conference Mr. Jeffries said: "You could not get satisfactory replies from the butchers, as we talked a few minutes at the homes of the butchers, and the conference asked to be excused from testifying against the packers. I will have some Kansas City butchers in Jefferson City who the case comes up Tuesday, but I will be compelled to ask the supreme court to order them to appear, I have no authority to subpoena anyone else, but the court will issue the orders if I make the request."

"The packers' combine seems to be more powerful in Kansas City than in St. Louis," Mr. Jeffries thought, and he has reason to believe the packers have prevented the retail butchers from organizing.

Mr. Jeffries started for Jefferson City tonight.

New Packers at Conference.

NEW YORK, May 1.—Alfred F. Bullowa of this city, chairman of the republican club committee which was recently appointed to investigate the alleged combination of packers, has gone to Washington for a conference with Attorney General Knox.

No packers were represented at the conference, however. When the committee assembled for its first meeting, telegrams were read from J. O. Lyman, Michael Cudaly, Nelson Morris, J. Ogden Armour and Gustavus Swift expressing the regrets of the senders that they were unable to attend the conference. The text of these telegrams was not made public.

Chairman Bullowa and the other members of the committee expressed their surprise when shown a dispatch from Washington in which Attorney General Knox expressed the opinion that the call for the conference was unwarranted.

Eliza J. D. Peabody said: "Our idea of inviting the packers to the conference was to secure for them their day in court and pending the determination of the action which the federal authorities purpose taking, bringing about some understanding which will be for the interest of all concerned."

When we asked to meet the attorney general with us have declined to take advantage of the opportunity and we will, therefore, now go ahead and co-operate with the legal authorities for the purpose of bringing them to trial.

Bullowa Talks with Knox.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Mr. Alfred M. Bullowa, chairman of the committee appointed by the Republican club of New York for the purpose of co-operating with the federal authorities and with the attorney general of New York state in the matter of the alleged beef trust, saw Attorney General Knox today and explained to Mr. Knox the work done by his committee and the information it has obtained.

The attorney general invited the committee to send in any evidence it has collected and said he would be glad to receive evidence from any private citizen as well.

HURL BRICKS AT THE UMPIRE

Spectators in Baltimore Revive Old Days of Rowdiness on the Diamond.

ORIOLES ARE BEATEN BY BOSTONS

Sheridan's Refusal to Allow McGraw a Base Leads to Fight in Which Policeman is Struck in Face.

BALTIMORE, May 1.—The game today between Baltimore and Boston ended in a row, which, but for the interference of the police, might have resulted seriously for Umpire Sheridan. In the last inning Mr. Sheridan refused to allow McGraw his base after having been, it was claimed, hit by a pitched ball. The vigorous protest offered by the manager of the Baltimore team resulted in his being ordered to the bench, at which the occupants of the bleachers took exception.

At the conclusion of the game the crowd surged onto the field and surrounded the umpire menacingly. One man threw a brick, which went wide of its mark, and out the face of a policeman who was trying to protect Sheridan. He was finally escorted from the grounds without sustaining bodily harm. The game was lost to Baltimore through the error of Umpire Sheridan.

PITTSBURGH, May 1.—The second inning with nine hits and nine runs for Pittsburgh and three runs for the Pirates. Pittsburgh was retired after this inning, but Murphy was allowed an easy score.

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DEATH RECORD

Eliza J. D. Peabody.

GAMES IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago and Cincinnati Draw Blanks After Twelve Innings of Hard Battle.

CHICAGO, May 1.—Cincinnati and Chicago went twelve innings today in hotly contested and pretty played game, neither side being able to score. Attendance, 1,200.

PHILADELPHIA, May 1.—Philadelphia won today's game from Washington in the sixth inning, when an error, a single and a run by the Phillies, followed by a sacrifice hit by Seay, netted four runs. Attendance, 1,200.

ST. LOUIS, May 1.—St. Paul was unable to hit Atrock, while Milwaukee and Toledo were retired after a victory. Attendance, 700.

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LOUISVILLE, May 1.—After Louisville had done well in its game with Philadelphia, it was defeated by the Phillies in the eighth inning. Attendance, 800.

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TO OBTAIN A POSITIVE CURE FOR CONSTIPATION DRINK YODI JANOS

Over one thousand physicians have testified to the fact that Yodanis Janos has cured the most obstinate cases of Constipation and Liver Troubles.

TO PUT THE FAIR OFF A YEAR

President Francis and All Directors Concluded Favor Postponing Exposition.

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NEBRASKA LANDS IN KANSAS

Jayhawkers Ball Team Defeated at Lincoln by a Score of 25 to 8.

LINCOLN, May 1.—(Special.)—Nebraska defeated the old-time rival, Kansas, today in a walk-off game. The score stood 25 to 8. The way the Nebraska boys laid out the game was a surprise to the enthusiasts. Rhodes led with five hits to his credit. The Kansas boys played like wooden men, making 62 errors.

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