

NEBRASKA MILL VIOLATES RULES; ORDERED CLOSED

State Food Administrator Finds Scriber, Neb., Firm Guilty of Selling Wheat Flour Without Substitute.

The Monitor flour mills of Scriber, Neb., have been ordered to close down for 30 days after a hearing before the Nebraska food administrator. The mill made a shipment of wheat flour to Gordon, Neb., without shipping the required amount of substitute with the flour.

This is the first mill in Nebraska whose license has been suspended for violating the rules and regulations of the food administration. These rules require the sale of an equal amount of substitute with every sale or shipment of white flour, or statement from the purchaser that he has bought the required substitute elsewhere.

Arthur Schulz, secretary of the mill, said at the hearing that the violation was due to an oversight in the office, but the excuse was considered inadequate. The mill has a capacity of 200 barrels per day.

Must Prove Statement.

The shipment was made to a farmers' union, which has the same status as a retail store. The officers of this union have been ordered to appear before the food administration. Unless they can prove that they had arranged to purchase an equal amount of substitute at the time they bought the white flour their license also will be suspended.

Licenses of two Nebraska bakers were suspended last week. That of P. O. Weinholt of Grand Island was suspended for 15 days, beginning April 4, because he baked rolls of white flour without substitute. The bakery of D. M. Prigge of Deshler was ordered closed for 10 days because he was operating without a license and had an excess amount of white flour on hand. The excess flour was ordered returned to the mills.

Beginning April 1, rye flour is not a legal substitute to be sold with white flour. There has been a terrific strain on rye flour and, therefore, it is taken out of the substitute class.

Preliminary Hearing of Six Alleged Car Thieves is Held

At the preliminary hearing of the six alleged robbers, accused of robbing a freight car March 22, before United States Commissioner Neely Monday morning, Walter Knobs was discharged and was ordered re-arrested on a different charge.

The other five suspects were held for the grand jury. Harold Savage of the South Side is held under \$5,000 bonds, and Albert Schwartz, alias Houcek, and Harold Sexton, Richard Raven and Edward Baker are held under bonds of \$2,500 each.

Savage is alleged to have entered the moving car and to have thrown boxes out to his companions, who loaded them on their automobile. Officers say they caught three of the men in the act. Others escaped but were captured later in Council Bluffs.

Thousands of Texas Cattle Are on Their Way to Omaha

Four thousand cars of Texas cattle soon will be headed for the Omaha market, but they will be a long while getting here because they will pass the summer on the pastures of Wyoming and Montana. Since the earliest days Texas cattle have been making this trip, being driven overland in the days before the railroads were built.

The Burlington railroad already has orders for more than 4,000 cars with which to move Texas cattle to Wyoming and Montana. After fattening on the range, the Burlington will haul most of them to the Omaha market.

Church Honors Cross Bearer Now in Hospital Unit

George E. Morris, 227 Park avenue, for 16 years cross-bearer of St. Andrew's Episcopal church, is the ninth member of the church to enter the service of his country. He left with the Nebraska base hospital unit and a service in his honor was held in the church Easter morning prior to the regular service.

The young man is the son of George Morris, and the star was pinned to the church service flag by an uncle, Frank Morris.

Dr. Spence Speaks Before Mount Calvary Commandery

Dr. W. H. Spence spoke before 125 members of Mount Calvary Commandery, Knights Templar, Sunday night at Hanscom Park Methodist church, using as his subject the recent fall of Jerusalem into the hands of the Christian allies. The sermon also had particular application to the relation between the Easter season and the Templars. Both Dr. Spence and Choir Director Walter B. Graham, who arranged a special musical program, are members of the order.

Few Cases of Importance on Next Federal Court Docket

Federal Judge Woodrough has called the docket for cases which will come up for trial on and after April 10.

Few cases of great importance are on the docket. One which involves large sums of money is the suit of the Thorne-Neal company of Philadelphia, Pa., against the A. B. Currie company of Omaha. The eastern company asks for \$46,793 and the defendant has filed counter claims for \$60,000, alleging breach of contract.

Oil Boom at Manville, Wyo.; Town Immediately Grows

According to reports to the Northwestern office, the town of Manville, Wyo., 25 miles west of the Nebraska state line, is having an oil boom that promises to surpass anything of the kind ever experienced in the west. Two weeks ago drillers struck oil in a well 10 miles north of this town. The town immediately began to boom and now it has a population of 500 to 700 people. Twenty to 25 rigs are drilling for oil and 12 producing wells have been brought in.

POLITICAL SHRAPNEL

Candidates are finding it difficult to draw crowds to attend their meetings. With few exceptions, the meetings have been attended mostly by candidates.

"Fellow candidates and citizens" is a familiar salutation heard at these meetings. Commissioner Jardine stated that at a meeting he attended last week there were 17 candidates and eight voters present.

Even the announcement that a certain meeting called last week would be a patriotic gathering failed to attract more than a corporal's guard. One group of candidates tried a band of music as a drawing card, but even that did not seem to have the desired effect.

"Tom P. Reynolds, one of the labor candidates for city commissioner, is president of the State Federation of Labor, president of the Omaha Central Labor union, an official of the Stereotypers' union, a member of the State Council of Defense, Liberty loan committee, Red Cross committee, local food administration, local fuel administration, war savings stamp committee, and some others, as a representative of organized labor," remarked a local labor unionist. "All this besides working at his trade as a stereotyper. Still there are a lot of other union laborers in this vicinity who could be induced to give Uncle Sam some of their time if they only had a chance."

A Scandinavian political mass meeting is announced to be held in the Swedish auditorium, Sixth and Chicago streets, tonight. The singing society Norden will render several song selections.

Many believe that the labor ticket will cut severely into Withnell's strength, which formerly drew well from the labor vote.

The Lakeside Improvement club will hold another political meeting on Tuesday night at Thirteenth and Boyd streets.

Odell and Major Swinton Will Speak Here Thursday

Frank G. Odell of the Federal Land bank, Omaha, and Major General E. D. Swinton, inventor of the British war tank, will be in Omaha Thursday. They have been holding meetings in Wisconsin and Illinois, where they spoke to 150,000 people at 38 gatherings. They will speak in Burlington and Davenport, Ia., Tuesday; Des Moines, Wednesday, and Omaha, Thursday, appearing at the Chamber of Commerce at noon and at 8 p. m., and at the Live Stock exchange at 2 p. m.

Major General Swinton is assistant secretary of the British war cabinet, was a member of Lord Kitchener's staff in the early part of the war, did heroic service on the Somme, is a veteran of 30 years' service in the British army, and is a famous writer and authority on military subjects. He wears three ribbons for distinguished service in South Africa, a rainbow medal, and is a chevalier of the Legion of Honor.

Easter Celebration Costs Pair \$10 in Police Court

"Babe" Danaman and Cora Vance, colored, 4716 South Twenty-seventh street, love to hear the lively strains of a graphophone, and just can't keep their feet still when they hear it, so they went to the house of a neighbor who has a graphophone to celebrate Easter Sunday afternoon. The tunes played didn't just suit their itching feet, so they proceeded to draw inspiration from a bottle, with the result that the celebration took on such a festive air that they were arrested for being drunk and disturbing the peace.

"Ten dollars and costs, each," said Judge Fitzgerald Monday morning in police court.

Farmers Promised Rain Now That Easter Has Passed

Now that Easter Sunday has passed, the chief of the weather bureau in Omaha feels justified in predicting unsettled weather, with possible showers. He says that the farmer, as well as the weather of the new Easter bonnet, has some rights and that reports from out in the state show the need of rain.

There was less moisture during March than for any previous year except 1910, when there was so small an amount it could not be measured. Last month only 11-100 of an inch of moisture is reported.

German Offensive Speeds Up Recruiting in the Army

Six hundred and seventy-two enlisted in the army in Omaha during March, 130 more than were obtained during February. Major Frith, in charge of recruiting in the Omaha district, says the increased enthusiasm is due to the casualty lists and the news of the German offensive.

Free Demonstration ALL THIS WEEK
In the Down Stair Store
Burgess-Nash Co.
—of—
King's Dehydrated Fruits and Vegetables

NEW PRICES ON COAL IN STATE NOW IN EFFECT

State Fuel Administrator Kennedy Announces Margins to Take Place of Former Prices.

The new margins on coal and coke in Nebraska, showing some increases, went into effect at 10 o'clock Monday morning by order of State Fuel Administrator Kennedy. The new prices take the place of all former orders, and apply to the entire state.

No specific retail prices have been made because of the numerous changes in mine prices, especially during the summer months. The gross margin system, which is now adopted for the whole state, is elastic and automatic and applies permanently, no matter how often the mine prices change.

What Orders Are.

Commenting on the new orders, Mr. Kennedy says: "The new margins show some increases—10 cents per ton in some cases and 20 cents in others. The dealers suffer the cost of last winter because of the shortage in weights. In nearly every instance they paid for more coal than they received. This was due partly to inaccurate methods of weighing at the mines, and the usual pilfering from the cars was increased because of the scarcity of coal. An effort will be made to have track scales maintained under government supervision."

"The order is so drawn that the use of unscreened coal is encouraged. This is to prevent the waste of the screenings. In many towns in the state they cannot be used, as there is no demand for steam coal. The additional margin of 15 cents, between screened and unscreened coal, is not enough to pay for the screening, and the dealer may or may not screen it, at his option."

Drayage Charges Added.

"The usual drayage and delivery charges are to be added to the margins, and the retail dealers must put up in their places of business the government cost of the coal to them and their margins and delivery charges. In this way consumers can always tell what prices they ought to pay. Whenever summer reductions in mine prices are made the consumers get the benefit of them, if they buy their coal during the month in which the dealers receive it. "Mine reductions will be greater during April than any other month. The state fuel administrator urges all consumers of coal and coke to get in their season's supply whenever and wherever possible. A campaign along that line will be conducted all over the state."

The order requires that by April 10 all retail coal dealers throughout the state shall post up, and thereafter maintain in their places of business, accessible to their customers, the government price of each kind of coal and coke handled, the maximum gross margin allowed, and the retail prices at yard; also their drayage and delivery charges.

The following maximum retail gross margins, per ton of 2,000 pounds, are now established for coal and coke sold at the dealers' yards, to consumers in Nebraska:

ANTHRACITE		Not Yard	Yard
Class	Price	Price	Price
Class A—Pennsylvania	\$1.25	\$1.25	\$1.25
Class B—	1.35	1.35	1.35
Class C—	1.45	1.45	1.45
Class D—	1.55	1.55	1.55
Class E—	1.65	1.65	1.65
Class F—	1.75	1.75	1.75
Class G—	1.85	1.85	1.85
Class H—	1.95	1.95	1.95
Class I—	2.05	2.05	2.05
Class J—	2.15	2.15	2.15
Class K—	2.25	2.25	2.25
Class L—	2.35	2.35	2.35
Class M—	2.45	2.45	2.45
Class N—	2.55	2.55	2.55
Class O—	2.65	2.65	2.65
Class P—	2.75	2.75	2.75
Class Q—	2.85	2.85	2.85
Class R—	2.95	2.95	2.95
Class S—	3.05	3.05	3.05
Class T—	3.15	3.15	3.15
Class U—	3.25	3.25	3.25
Class V—	3.35	3.35	3.35
Class W—	3.45	3.45	3.45
Class X—	3.55	3.55	3.55
Class Y—	3.65	3.65	3.65
Class Z—	3.75	3.75	3.75
Class AA—	3.85	3.85	3.85
Class AB—	3.95	3.95	3.95
Class AC—	4.05	4.05	4.05
Class AD—	4.15	4.15	4.15
Class AE—	4.25	4.25	4.25
Class AF—	4.35	4.35	4.35
Class AG—	4.45	4.45	4.45
Class AH—	4.55	4.55	4.55
Class AI—	4.65	4.65	4.65
Class AJ—	4.75	4.75	4.75
Class AK—	4.85	4.85	4.85
Class AL—	4.95	4.95	4.95
Class AM—	5.05	5.05	5.05
Class AN—	5.15	5.15	5.15
Class AO—	5.25	5.25	5.25
Class AP—	5.35	5.35	5.35
Class AQ—	5.45	5.45	5.45
Class AR—	5.55	5.55	5.55
Class AS—	5.65	5.65	5.65
Class AT—	5.75	5.75	5.75
Class AU—	5.85	5.85	5.85
Class AV—	5.95	5.95	5.95
Class AW—	6.05	6.05	6.05
Class AX—	6.15	6.15	6.15
Class AY—	6.25	6.25	6.25
Class AZ—	6.35	6.35	6.35
Class BA—	6.45	6.45	6.45
Class BB—	6.55	6.55	6.55
Class BC—	6.65	6.65	6.65
Class BD—	6.75	6.75	6.75
Class BE—	6.85	6.85	6.85
Class BF—	6.95	6.95	6.95
Class BG—	7.05	7.05	7.05
Class BH—	7.15	7.15	7.15
Class BI—	7.25	7.25	7.25
Class BJ—	7.35	7.35	7.35
Class BK—	7.45	7.45	7.45
Class BL—	7.55	7.55	7.55
Class BM—	7.65	7.65	7.65
Class BN—	7.75	7.75	7.75
Class BO—	7.85	7.85	7.85
Class BP—	7.95	7.95	7.95
Class BQ—	8.05	8.05	8.05
Class BR—	8.15	8.15	8.15
Class BS—	8.25	8.25	8.25
Class BT—	8.35	8.35	8.35
Class BU—	8.45	8.45	8.45
Class BV—	8.55	8.55	8.55
Class BW—	8.65	8.65	8.65
Class BX—	8.75	8.75	8.75
Class BY—	8.85	8.85	8.85
Class BZ—	8.95	8.95	8.95
Class CA—	9.05	9.05	9.05
Class CB—	9.15	9.15	9.15
Class CC—	9.25	9.25	9.25
Class CD—	9.35	9.35	9.35
Class CE—	9.45	9.45	9.45
Class CF—	9.55	9.55	9.55
Class CG—	9.65	9.65	9.65
Class CH—	9.75	9.75	9.75
Class CI—	9.85	9.85	9.85
Class CJ—	9.95	9.95	9.95
Class CK—	10.05	10.05	10.05
Class CL—	10.15	10.15	10.15
Class CM—	10.25	10.25	10.25
Class CN—	10.35	10.35	10.35
Class CO—	10.45	10.45	10.45
Class CP—	10.55	10.55	10.55
Class CQ—	10.65	10.65	10.65
Class CR—	10.75	10.75	10.75
Class CS—	10.85	10.85	10.85
Class CT—	10.95	10.95	10.95
Class CU—	11.05	11.05	11.05
Class CV—	11.15	11.15	11.15
Class CW—	11.25	11.25	11.25
Class CX—	11.35	11.35	11.35
Class CY—	11.45	11.45	11.45
Class CZ—	11.55	11.55	11.55
Class DA—	11.65	11.65	11.65
Class DB—	11.75	11.75	11.75
Class DC—	11.85	11.85	11.85
Class DD—	11.95	11.95	11.95
Class DE—	12.05	12.05	12.05
Class DF—	12.15	12.15	12.15
Class DG—	12.25	12.25	12.25
Class DH—	12.35	12.35	12.35
Class DI—	12.45	12.45	12.45
Class DJ—	12.55	12.55	12.55
Class DK—	12.65	12.65	12.65
Class DL—	12.75	12.75	12.75
Class DM—	12.85	12.85	12.85
Class DN—	12.95	12.95	12.95
Class DO—	13.05	13.05	13.05
Class DP—	13.15	13.15	13.15
Class DQ—	13.25	13.25	13.25
Class DR—	13.35	13.35	13.35
Class DS—	13.45	13.45	13.45
Class DT—	13.55	13.55	13.55
Class DU—	13.65	13.65	13.65
Class DV—	13.75	13.75	13.75
Class DW—	13.85	13.85	13.85
Class DX—	13.95	13.95	13.95
Class DY—	14.05	14.05	14.05
Class DZ—	14.15	14.15	14.15
Class EA—	14.25	14.25	14.25
Class EB—	14.35	14.35	14.35
Class EC—	14.45	14.45	14.45
Class ED—	14.55	14.55	14.55
Class EE—	14.65	14.65	14.65
Class EF—	14.75	14.75	14.75
Class EG—	14.85	14.85	14.85
Class EH—	14.95	14.95	14.95
Class EI—	15.05	15.05	15.05
Class EJ—	15.15	15.15	15.15
Class EK—	15.25	15.25	15.25
Class EL—	15.35	15.35	15.35
Class EM—	15.45	15.45	15.45
Class EN—	15.55	15.55	15.55
Class EO—	15.65	15.65	15.65
Class EP—	15.75	15.75	15.75
Class EQ—	15.85	15.85	15.85
Class ER—	15.95	15.95	15.95
Class ES—	16.05	16.05	16.05
Class ET—	16.15	16.15	16.15
Class EU—	16.25	16.25	16.25
Class EV—	16.35	16.35	16.35
Class EW—	16.45	16.45	16.45
Class EX—	16.55	16.55	16.55
Class EY—	16.65	16.65	16.65
Class EZ—	16.75	16.75	16.75
Class FA—	16.85	16.85	16.85
Class FB—	16.95	16.95	16.95
Class FC—	17.05	17.05	17.05
Class FD—	17.15	17.15	17.15
Class FE—	17.25	17	