

## MILLERS AGREE TO CUT PROFITS ON FLOUR IN HALF

C. Hoover Is Hard at  
Work Before Official  
Appointment.

BY HENRY M. HYDE.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 1.—[Special.]—The man who has predicted that \$2 a barrel—the minimum price fixed by the food bill for next year's crop—will be a \$14 flour may quiet their fears.

The big flour millers of the northwest have been here now talking things over with Herbert C. Hoover, the food administrator, and they have displayed a patriotic spirit. The result of conferences has not been made public but it may be stated that the millers are agreed to cut their present profit out in half.

Other words, an agreement has been reached that when wheat sells at \$2 a bushel the fancy patent brands of flour will sell in Chicago at \$11.50 a barrel, in New York at \$12. The brands sold by bakers will sell at \$9.50 in the west and at \$10 in New York.

Important Work Done.

When the food bill is finally signed the president and Mr. Hoover's appointment is made official. It will be said that a number of important things already have been done.

Along with the millers, for instance, representatives of the bakers of the country have also been in Washington. They have taken part in several conferences with the food administration.

It developed that the average cost to bakers of running a credit system, their consuming customers, of dealing bread and of other selling expenses in dealing with so-called "high" trade, averages almost 3 cents a loaf—about 2.5 cents a loaf.

For the woe of people who insist on phoning for a loaf of bread, who it is charged and delivered "immediately," the food administration has concern. But it does not think that a loaf of bread should be sold for more than 10 cents.

Three Cents Cheaper.

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It may also be necessary for people to get the advantage of the price to order their bread before.

But, although the bakers are not yet agreed to the plan, it is safe to say that some such scheme will be worked out and put in force all over the country by voluntary agreement.

Shipping from such a small yet vastly important matter as the price of a loaf of bread, the food administration is also working on such huge and complicated problems as the proper distribution of flour by the railroads and other agencies.

Rail Congestion Problems.

Everybody expects it is certain that the railroads of the country will be congested this fall and winter.

For the time being, supplies of all kinds of foodstuffs are being shipped by rail.

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Gulf Ports to Be Used.

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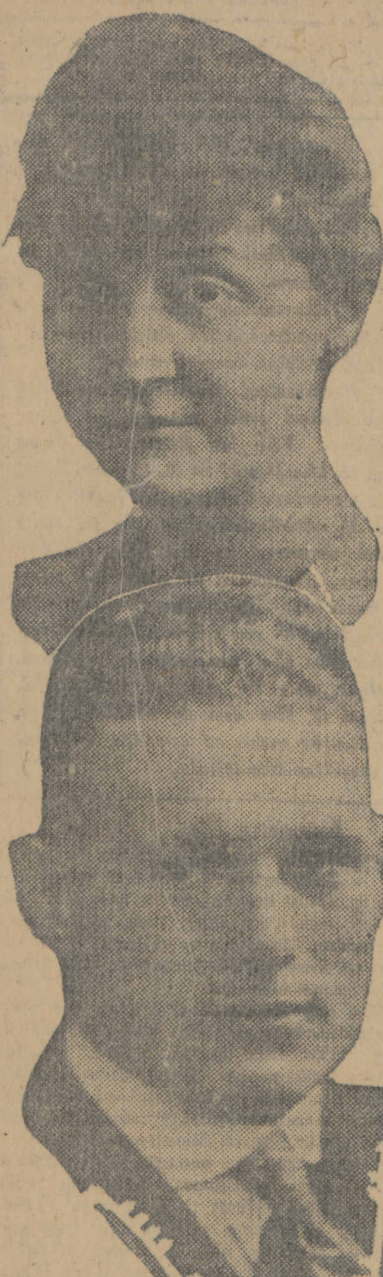
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Welsbach "Reflex" GAS MANTLES 18¢ each two for 35¢

## SYMPATHY

That Was the Way This Romance Had Its Beginning.



Miss Jeannette Gemmill  
Bligh D. Grasset

HE was tearing down the field with the ball the first time she saw him, and when everybody piled on him she felt sorry.

That was three years ago, when Miss Jeannette Gemmill, daughter of Judge William N. Gemmill, and Bligh D. Grasset were students together at Northwestern university.

Now Grasset is at Fort Sheridan and has been recommended for a commission, and Miss Gemmill is so proud of him that she is willing to marry him right away, so she can feel proud of him when he goes away to get the Kaiser.

The marriage has been set for Aug. 18 at Miss Gemmill's home, 5400 Ellis avenue.

read haul to the gulf.

Already the food administration has persuaded the federal reserve board of the wisdom of permitting loans to be made on potatoes properly sorted and stored in warehouses. It hopes that presently similar arrangements may be made for using warehouse receipts for onions and other root crops as collateral for loans.

Until the new rule was made the average potato grower was obliged to sell his crop soon after it was dug, the purchaser often being a speculator or broker, who took an extra and unnecessary profit out of the crop on its way down the line to the ultimate consumer.

Hope to Lower Prices.

Now that the producer can store his potatoes and borrow what money he needs on their security, it is expected that speculation will be less active and the retail price somewhat reduced.

The food administration has been giving some attention to the present high price of corn, which has risen to a point higher than that of wheat in most parts of the country. So far three chief reasons for the big bulge have been developed:

The allied nations have bought enormous quantities of corn.

There has been a large increase in the amount of corn meal used in the United States.

Distillers all over the country are buying great quantities of corn and paying high prices for it, so that they may turn out as much whiskey as possible before the lid is clamped down on them and the government takes over the stocks on hand. The higher the price they pay for corn, of course, the more they will be able to charge the government.

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## GIRL FOUND SHOT; STEPFATHER IS 'GLAD IT'S OVER'

"Think I'll See About Her  
Insurance," He Tells  
a Neighbor.

BY HENRY M. HYDE.

Miss Leone Cohl, the comely West Chicago telephone operator, whose death by a revolver bullet on Tuesday night has aroused that suburb, was the victim of unfortunate domestic surroundings, it developed in the coroner's inquest yesterday, and some pointed testimony was directed at her stepfather, J. F. Schnickler, in connection with the girl's insurance.

Prominent among the witnesses called by Coroner William V. Hops, was Mrs. E. D. Roland, next door neighbor of the Schnickler family. It had been developed in other evidence that the mother of the victim married Schnickler after the death of her first husband, and there are two children by this latest marriage. This domestic arrangement was said to be unfortunate for Miss Cohl.

Neighbor Tears Shot.

The shooting took place soon after 11 o'clock, it was shown. Mrs. Roland said she was sitting on her veranda, not more than fifty feet away. She ran to the Schnickler home, she said, and was met by one of the younger children, who told her that "Leone has killed herself."

Mrs. Roland went to the girl's bedroom on the upper floor and there found Leone lying on the bed with a bullet wound in her breast. On the dresser, ten feet away, was a revolver with one exploded cartridge. She said the girl showed some signs of life and died in a few moments.

"We came down stairs," said Mrs. Roland, "and Mr. Schnickler said: 'I'm glad it's over; she has been a bother ever since she came here.'"

"Glad It's Over."

"He talked for a little and then said: 'I think I'll go in to Chicago in the morning and see about her insurance. I ought to get the insurance, don't you think so? But maybe I won't, because there may be a suicide clause in the policy.' After a little he said again: 'Well, I'm glad it's over.'"

Schnickler told the coroner's jury there had been misunderstandings between himself and Miss Cohl because of the younger children of her mother.

Inquest Postponed.

Schnickler is an advertising solicitor employed in Chicago. Miss Cohl was 20 years old and is said to have been engaged to marry a young man in Danville.

Dr. Hops, the coroner, in view of the conflicting testimony, postponed the inquest for ten days, during which time an investigation will be made and a post-mortem held.

METHODISTS AT  
CAPITAL PROVE  
THEIR LOYALTY

BY THE REV. W. E. NORTON.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 1.—[Special.]—Three important events occurred today in connection with the visit of the official leaders of the Methodist Episcopal church, including six bishops and twenty secretaries of the various boards and the church editors, to Washington.

The Methodists endorsed the food conservation program and decided on a plan to mobilize the denomination in connection with the entire war plans.

They assisted at the ceremony of presenting a check of \$100,000 to the American Red Cross as a gift from the Sunday schools of the Methodist Episcopal church.

They saw the senate vote for the submission to the states of the question of a prohibition amendment to the constitution.

One of the resolutions unanimously adopted by the Methodist commission was the condemnation of the use of grain for the manufacture of alcoholic liquors.

The presentation of the \$100,000 check to the American Red Cross was made by Bishop Thomas Nicholson of Chicago.

Style Show Has Called  
Perfect 36s for Service

The "28s" who have been getting all the glory since a number was drawn from the glass bowl in Washington will have to doff their nice new army hats—if they have them by Aug. 8—to the first number in the women's draft—36.

For on this date will appear the pick of the 36s in a pageant of patriotism and style, to be staged at the Auditorium theater for eight days for the benefit of the Navy Relief society.

Hamilton Coleman is arranging the production, called "America Awake," under the auspices of the Chicago Garment Manufacturers' association. The net proceeds will be turned over to the Navy Relief society. The 36s will display the creations of Chicago's leading garment makers in connection with the spectacle which will tell the story of our nation from 1776 to 1916. Songs and his naval band are announced as one feature.

Replacing Their Horses With Autocars

Wilcox Company, 3690 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, wholesalers and retailers of coal, gravel and cement, bought their first Autocar in February, 1916. A few months later they bought five more, and this year six more, making twelve Autocars in their possession.

"It is only a question of time when all of our horses will be displaced by these more efficient machines," says Mr. Wilcox.

For information on the Autocar in your line of business, see The Autocar Sales and Service Co. of Ill., 753-755 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago.

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The Autocar Company, Ardmore, Pa. Established 1897

Jerry J. Cohan  
Born 1848. Died 1917.



JERRY COHAN,  
GEORGE'S FATHER,  
DEAD IN THE EAST

New York, Aug. 1.—[Special.]—Jerry J. Cohan, father of George M. Cohan, and best known of the old school of American actors, died early today of arteriosclerosis at his country home near Monroe, N. Y., after an illness of nearly two years.

His son, George M. Cohan, and his wife, Helen F., were with him when he died. He was 69 years old. His farewell appearance as member of the famous "Four Cohans" was about ten years ago.

"I was the homeliest lad ever born in Boston," was the way Jerry J. Cohan used to tell it.

Nobody ever noticed him until he was 13, and that embarrassed him so, he said, that he left school and became a messenger boy. Next the family physician, who had just been made an army surgeon, noticed him and said:

"He's so homely, I'll make him my orderly." So Jerry joined the army, and danced his way into the affections of the men. His first and only participation in battle was at Newbern, N. C., where he served stimulants to the men during the action. He was then 14.

Later they tried to make him a harness maker, but a minstrel show came along and the mirth of a nation was assured. Jerry danced himself into the ownership of the show, a panorama of Irish life.

He married Helen Costigan of Providence, R. I., in 1874. George M. Cohan, the famous son, was born in 1878. Josephine, the sister, came later. Mrs. Cohan, the husband said, had never seen a theater before they were married. She made her debut when a soubrette left the show and she replaced her.

All Helped Out.

"And she's been helping me out ever since," her husband would say. "As to my children—there never was a brighter child than George, except his sister, Josie."

In 1889-90 the famous "Four Cohans" were appearing in the smaller cities, their performance consisting of a piano solo, followed by the family in the skit, "Four of a Kind." Master George played the violin, and sister Josephine danced.

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## SELF-SACRIFICE GIVES NEW LIFE TO POOR BABIES

One Family Gives Up Supply  
of Cream to Help  
Swell Fund.

BY HENRY M. HYDE.

Cream, cigars, cocktails, bonbons, and other articles on which the future of the race is not dependent are being given up for periods varying from one day to the rest of the summer in order that Chicago babies may have ice or that sick tenement mothers and children may have an outing at Algonquin. If the tenements would provoke the anger of its tenement neighbors for disturbing the quiet of the night with screams for fresh milk.

And no sick mother, to whom has been held out the hope of a rest at the Algonquin hospital, would have to turn away from such a prospect with tears of disappointment. One man writes:

"It has just occurred to me that babies will die in Chicago this summer because they don't have good milk. In the meantime, we have been enjoying the bottle of cream the milkman leaves each morning."

A Family Affair.

"We have ordered him to change this delivery to a pint of milk. That will make a difference of 50 cents a week, which my wife is taking out of the householding money. I will put the same amount with it, and that dollar will take care of some youngster. And we'll be just as well off. I enclose \$5 as our August payment. Thank you for passing it along to the right place."

"In closing," writes another, "you will find a tiny check (would it were a hundred times larger) for your ice fund."

A man who has cut down his supply of cigars writes:

"Hope enough others will give up cigars or some other luxury to help keep Camp Algonquin open until winter. It is a great work. Keep it up."

Baby Contributes.

"I am just 7 months old myself," writes "Esther Belle," by proxy, "and therefore realize how important it is to have milk kept sweet, and so I am taking one of the dollars out of my bank to send you, hoping it will do a little good to some other baby."

Yesterday's contributions to the Ten Tenement hospital were:

J. A. Goers...\$ 4.00 H. L. C. .... 4.00  
R. E. Davis ... 10.00 D. A. B. .... 2.55  
No name ..... 5.00  
Mrs. A. S. Burdick ..... 2.00  
F. S. Kreisinger 25.00

The contributions to the babies' free ice fund were:

Olivia .....\$ 2 Miss Mary Hall... 5  
B. J. .... 1 M. E. A. .... 1  
No name ..... 5 M. H. R. .... 5  
Anonymous ..... 1 L. B. Hill ..... 10  
E. and B. F. .... 1 Jack Edward ..... 2  
A churchman ..... 5 Walter ..... 1  
In memory of F. .... 2  
Aide S. .... 1 M. C. .... 2  
Mrs. M. M. Reid. 2 C. B. .... 2  
G. P. P. .... 25 A. Neely Hall... 5  
Baby Jim McArthur ..... 2 Regan ..... 1  
F. S. Kreisinger. 25 R. A. Baker ..... 1  
Mrs. Ben Lehman 5 Eleven girls from Joseph and David ..... 15  
Lehmer ..... 5 H. S. Richardson, 10  
Mrs. I. Rosenbaum ..... 5 Total for fund \$140  
Contributions for both funds may be sent to THE TRIBUNE.

Ball Games Arranged to  
Aid Maimonides Hospital

Baseball nines composed of employees of Chicago business houses will meet on Saturday on the diamond at White Sox park in a benefit game for the Maimonides hospital reorganization committee. The proceeds will be turned over to the committee and added to a fund already established with which it is hoped to reopen the institution. One of the baseball teams of Marshall Field & Co. will meet a team from Montgomery Ward & Co. Teams from the firms of Grossfeld & Roe and Durand & Kasper also will meet.

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## CANADA TO BUY RAILWAY SYSTEM FOR THE PEOPLE

Purchase Will Include  
Elevators, Hotels,  
Ships, Etc.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 1.—Plans of the Canadian government for nationalization of railways in the dominion on a larger scale were announced in parliament today by Sir Thomas White, finance minister.

He declared that in addition to the government owned Inter-Colonial railway in eastern Canada it is proposed to acquire the entire Canadian Northern railway system of more than 8,000 miles, of which 6,000 miles are situated in the western wheat belt.

The finance minister stated the Canadian Northern had a common share capital of \$100,000,000, and the government already owned \$40,000,000, and it was proposed now to purchase the remainder of \$60,000,000 of common stock from the private owners.

A board of arbitration would be appointed to determine the value, he said, and afterwards the government would create a new company, appointing its entire board of directors to operate the system. This would mean that with the Inter-Colonial and the Canadian Northern railway, the people of Canada would own a system of railways from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

The finance minister said the government favored retaining as many as possible of the operating heads of the Canadian Northern, especially D. B. Hanna, vice president and operating head, and General Manager McLeod of the western lines.

The transaction involved also, he said, government ownership of the subsidiaries, including steamship lines, telegraph companies, express department, hotels, and grain elevator systems in western Canada, as well as the Mount Royal tunnel, by which the road is about to gain access to Montreal, the terminal docks at Vancouver.

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