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CONSUMPTION OF CANNED FOODS STEADILY INCREASES

The rapid growth and the present size of the canning and packing industry might lead to a belief that the industry has passed the point of stabilization. But a closer study of the figures shows that this is far from the truth, says the Iron Age in discussing the development of the canning industry.

Take beans, for instance; ordinary baked beans. In 1890 the people of this country ate, or bought, about 33,000,000 cans of baked beans. That spelled the doom of the old family beanpot with the chunk of pork. Five years later the national taste for baked beans had grown until some 60,000,000 cans were consumed. In 1900 the canners of beans sold 84,000,000 cans. By 1914 the total reached 213,000,000.

During the war the figures mounted to 344,200,000 cans of baked beans, enough to girdle the earth with a comfortable margin left over. But since the unusual war demand could not be maintained, the 1921 total was 271,200,000. Last year the bean pack came close to the 400,000,000 mark.

This means more than a growth in the size of the bean-canning industry and a consequent increased demand for cans and tin plate. The per capita consumption is gaining. People are eating more canned beans each year. In 1890 the per capita consumption of canned beans was less than half a can per person per year. In 1904 the per capita consumption had risen to 0.72 can per annum. By 1909 the country was using almost one can a year for every person. Nineteen hundred fourteen shows the per capita consumption at more than two cans a year. Leaving out the war period when the enormous quantities of canned goods used in France destroyed the comparative value of the figures, we find that in 1921 the average American was eating canned beans at the rate of 2 1-3 cans annually. Last year the consumption was over three cans per year per person.

In a general way, the case of canned beans is typical. In certain lines the per capita consumption has shown little increase due to the fact that new canned goods of like nature have been put on the market recently and absorbed the increased demand without affecting the older business. But when the "Big Three", tomatoes, beans and corn, each run to nearly a half a billion cans a year, there is considerable opportunity for the expansion of the trade in canned spinach, peas, asparagus, pears, peaches, pineapples, sardines, milk and all the tempting articles so carefully guarded by the thin gray wall of steel and tin which we call "can."

With 115,000,000 people in the United States using about 5,000,000,000 cans of food a year, the average consumption is less than one can per week per person. Surely the "saturation point" so much discussed by economists, has not been reached in this industry.

SEPARATE TRIALS ARE NOT ALLOWED

Judge Rules That the Alleged Mob Members Must Be Tried Together. Asheville, Nov. 9.—Motions by the defense counsel to separate the trials of 32 men, charged with participating in the mob attack on the Buncombe county jail the night of Saturday, September 13th, were overruled by Judge A. M. Stack, at the opening of the cases in Superior Court this morning.

The court ruled that all the cases grow out of the same incident; that the charge of conspiracy by its very nature necessitates trying all defendants at one time. Judge Stack said if the men were to be given individual trials, the court would be in session from now until Christmas.

Lawrence Cressman, local real estate dealer, and Paul Pegram, failed to appear for trial and the court ordered bonds forfeited and the bondsmen to appear in court and show why the defendants had not appeared for trial. Bond in each case is \$2,500. Business No Excuse.

H. M. Wells, attorney for Cressman, said that his client had an important real estate transaction in Florida and he had to go to attend to it. Mr. Wells said the telegraph lines to Florida are overloaded; that he could not get a message to Cressman, but that he had written him and expects him to be back for trial at once. Judge Stack replied that this was no excuse. He said with such an important charge against him, the defendant should have been in court to answer when his case was called.

When defendants were being arraigned, H. P. Rayburn, local barber, answered in a peculiar tone of voice, provoking mirth among the spectators. Judge Stack called Rayburn before the bench and inquired if the defendant could not answer in a better tone. Rayburn answered that he could, whereupon he made answer in an altered tone.

Thirty-two men pleaded not guilty when their names were read out. Besides Pegram and Cressman who failed to appear, there are four other defendants upon whom service has not been obtained by the sheriff.

Hung up Clothes Sunday to Dry; Woman Convicted.

Jersey City, N. J., Nov. 10.—Mrs. Mary Grieco today was found guilty of violating the vice and immorality act, a "blue law" by Acting Judge William McGovern, in second criminal court. Sentence was suspended. Mrs. Grieco early Sunday morning erected a clothes pole in her back yard.

Many summonses were issued last Sunday to motorists and others in various New Jersey towns for violation of the ancient laws regarding Sunday observance, as the outcome of a movement started by the Perth Amboy Ministers' association against Sunday movies. Several motion picture operators were arrested, and theaters, golf clubs, restaurants and gasoline service stations were among the places visited by officers.

VALENTINO INSISTS ON STAYING AT HOME

While Movie "Shiek's" Wife is Strong For a "Career" He Wants a Quiet Home. New York, Nov. 10.—Mrs. Winifred Hadnut Valentino, wife of Rudolph Valentino, arriving from Paris today on the Leviathan with two pedigreed dogs under her arms, replied to her husband's contention that she gave too much time to her dogs and not enough to him with a per:

"Pooh! He has about eight or nine dogs himself."

Although the movie "shiek" is in the city, he did not meet his wife at the pier. The Valentinos are on a "marital vacation" due to their differences over the question of a career for Mrs. Valentino, who proposed to enter the movies.

Mrs. Valentino had nothing unpleasant to say about her husband. Their difficulties, she said, have arisen over his desire to stay home evenings and his opposition to her seeking her own career. She said he must capitulate to her on the latter point before a reunion is possible.

It is all very well to have children, said Mrs. Valentino in reply to her husband's recent description of what he regarded the ideal and democratic life, but no woman should embark upon this phase of life until she is prepared to give up everything for her children.

"This," she said emphatically, "I will not do."

KILLED IN EFFORT TO SAVE LIFE OF HIS DOG

Leaps in Front of Car Near Hickory—Driver Ordered Held For Preliminary Inquiry.

Hickory, Nov. 10.—Gideon J. Annas, 65-years old, of Saw Mills, about ten miles from Hickory on the Lenoir road, was almost instantly killed late yesterday afternoon when he was hit by a car driven by George Sherrill, Jr., high school student of Hickory. Two eye-witnesses said that Mr. Annas jumped in front of the car in an effort to catch his little dog. The entire left side of his face was smashed from top of the head to chin and both legs were broken.

Sheriff Sherrill of Caldwell county was called and he held the boy for a preliminary trial next Thursday afternoon. The bond was fixed at \$3,000.

Mr. Annas ran a little store in Saw Mills. Young Sherrill made bond and returned to Hickory last night.

Body of Richardson Taken to Salisbury.

Salisbury, Nov. 9.—The body of W. D. Richardson was brought here tonight from High Point, where he was killed last night, and will be taken to the home of his father in Franklin township. Particulars of Mr. Richardson's death had not been received by relatives.

In olden times the king of Easter Island was chosen for his ability as a foot racer.

NEW MEMBERS NAMED ON GOVERNMENT BODY

Two Women Added to Commission to Study County Government—Court Appointments.

Raleigh, Nov. 10.—New members who will assist in the study of county government are women whom Governor McLean today added to the commission which means to do that big job for him.

It was undertaken by both Governors Morrison and Hickett, neither of whom could get at it as he saw the need. Hickett was swamped by the war and Morrison by insufficient data on which to base his inquiry. This promises to be one of the big things from McLean's regime.

Governor McLean appointed Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, of Goldsboro, and Miss Mary Henderson, of Salisbury, as additional members of the commission for the study of county government. It is recalled that this commission was appointed by Governor McLean upon request of the state association of county commissioners, of which F. P. Sprull, of Rocky Mount, is chairman. Mrs. O'Berry and Miss Henderson are appointed upon the approval of Mr. Sprull as chairman of the state association of county commissioners.

Governor McLean today appointed Stanley Winborne, of Murfreesboro, under the 1925 law to hold court in Lenoir county next week; regular civil term and appointed T. P. Thorne, of Rocky Mount, under the 1925 law to hold one week civil court, regular term, beginning November 23, in Onslow county.

MELLON'S YACHT ON NEW BERN DRYDOCK

Repairs Being Made to Rudder of the Palatial Craft—Carries Crew of Sixteen Men.

New Bern, Nov. 10.—The handsome private yacht, "Vagabondia," belonging to Andrew J. Mellon, secretary of the treasury, is spending two days in New Bern on drydock for the repairing of a rudder, found damaged Sunday during a day of rest and sightseeing near Morehead City. Under command of Captain Richard Carney, with a crew of 16 men, the \$200,000 yacht is en route from New York to Miami where in about 10 days Mr. Mellon and several friends will be met for a business trip to Venezuela, where the magnate will investigate oil interests. The boat is 146 feet long, with 20-foot beam and is conceded to be one of the most elaborately equipped, both inside and out, with more modern comforts and conveniences than any other private yacht ever seen in New Bern.

Tearing Down Roadside Ads.

Carrying out the provisions of a bill passed by the 1925 Wisconsin Legislature, workmen of the La Crosse highway department last week began to clear the county highways of billboards and other advertising signs. Small tin signs, wooden signs, and all other types of advertising mediums which obstruct the view of passing motorists are being removed, pursuant to the order.

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