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## PRICES AFTER OPA

Resolution adopted by the National Retail Hardware Association at its 47th Congress, Chicago, June 27, 1946

WHEREAS, It is our conviction that the only regulation of industry and commerce which can permanently prevail is the law of supply and demand and that any temporary device for the attempted control of emergency conditions should be administered realistically and should be ended at the earliest possible moment; and

WHEREAS, Capricious, contradictory and obstructive policies of the Office of Price Administration and the officious attitude displayed by the agency have resulted in confusion, bewilderment and frustration for business and have engendered in many business people disrespect, distrust and hostility toward price control and created a reaction which

tends to overlook the needs and benefits of price control during disruption of production and runs to extremes; and  
WHEREAS, Stable and healthy economy can result only through the orderly process of manufacture and distribution, with each factor in industry and commerce asking and receiving neither more nor less than the usual, reasonable and necessary margin for the profitable operation of his respective business; and  
WHEREAS, Relaxation or removal of price control, whenever it comes, will place upon business the sobering responsibility of voluntarily policing prices so as to avoid runaway inflation and the economic ills and disaster attending such an eventuality, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the National Retail Hardware Association strongly recommends during the period of price adjustment and until such time as merchandise supply is in balance with demand that each member ask for and accept only such mark-ups and margins as he has customarily taken, on the basis of his actual or replacement costs, and scrupulously avoid any act contributing to price inflation.

### FAIR PRICE PLEDGE

As a member of the National Retail Hardware Association, the undersigned subscribes to the principle stated in this resolution and pledges to the public fair and reasonable prices at all times.

Signed: *E. O. Hatton*

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### Why Must Dairy Prices Be Raised?

"Since the beginning of the war, the dairy industry, producers and processors alike, have been called upon to increase the production of milk and other dairy products, to feed our soldiers, civilians and millions of starving people all over the world," according to Leonard N. Franke, secretary of the Information Services Committee of the Michigan Allied Dairy Association. "This increased production has just as — that the people of the nation many millions of dollars in the way of incentive payments to those producing the products. The cost of farm labor, feed for cattle, farm machinery and other items entering into the final cost to the consumer grew steadily as the war progressed. In order to meet this inflationary increase in dairy foods, the Government established the policy of paying part of these increased costs through the medium of payments to producers called subsidies. As the elimination of these subsidies has never been made with respect to dairy foods and the history of this program should be enlightening to all consumers."

"When subsidy payments began," said Franke, "the Government paid them were needed to stimulate production and at the same time keep the cost of living down. The first subsidy, in the dairy field was the special processors' subsidy on American Cheddar Cheese. It went into effect on December 1, 1942. Production costs for labor, feed, etc., of farm dairy had gone up, and they needed more money for their milk. But, if processors paid farmers more for their milk they would have to charge more for their cheese. The Government didn't want the price of cheese to go up, but it did want to stimulate the flow of milk to cheese plants — so it used the subsidy to handle the situation. The Government paid the cheese maker 3 3/4 cents a pound bonus on each pound of American Cheddar cheese he produced. The cheese maker, in turn, passed this 3 3/4 cents along to the farmer by paying him more for his milk. "Next came the butter subsidy. The Government decided the cost



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### TEACHER LIVES IN BROODER HOUSE



**MOLINE, ILL.** — Special CFI Photo to Enterprise from Leslie Swanson — Here's one for "what will they think of next department" in the way of finding substitute homes during the current housing shortage. Mrs. Mary F. Riley of Alsie, Ill., teacher of the Duncan rural school in Mower county, has upon the novel idea of setting up a brooder house on the "campus" where she makes her home during the school year. "It's convenient, too," says Mrs. Riley, pointing out she solved both the housing and transportation problem with one stroke. Mrs. Riley is shown above with "brood" of seven students at the door of her home with the one-room schoolhouse in the background.

of living was rising too fast, so, on June 1, 1943, it reduced the selling price in some strategic commodities. One of these was butter. The selling price of butter was raised back 5 cents a pound. Neither the buttermaker nor the farmer who produced the cream to make the butter could absorb this 5-cent rollback. So the Government paid the buttermaker a subsidy of 5 cents on each pound of butter produced and the creamery passed these payments along to the farmer. These subsidies made it possible for the creamery operator to sell butter at the reduced ceiling price without reducing the amount he paid the farmer for the cream used in buttermaking.

"The President's hold-the-line order on retail prices, issued in April, 1945, later brought another subsidy in 13 milk marketing areas in the nation. This was a distributor subsidy of 1/2 - 1 1/2 cents on each quart of bottled milk sold. It was paid to the milk companies in these areas to help meet the increased costs of processing and distribution, without raising prices. Where this happened the Government raised the retail ceiling price. Michigan, however, was not included in any of these 13 areas.

"Milk and milk products were critically needed in the war effort. To stimulate milk production without increasing retail prices of dairy products, the Government put the milk production subsidy into effect in October, 1943. This subsidy was paid directly to farmers. These payments, as scheduled over the past year, ranged from 25 cents to 90 cents per 100 pounds of milk or 10 to 17 cents per pound of butter sold. The amount differed in various parts of the country and also with the seasons. The farmer used the money to meet higher prices for feed and higher wages for labor.

"So there were four subsidies in the dairy field. One on the milk of cream (butterfat) the farmer sold, no matter whether it was used as fluid milk, or for cheese, ice cream, evaporated milk, butter and other dairy products; a special 5-cent subsidy on butter; a special 3 3/4 cent subsidy on

cheese, and a 1/2-1 1/2 cent subsidy in certain fluid milk areas. Whether the subsidy was paid to the processor or farmer the purpose was the same — to keep the retail price down and maintain or increase production. In the end, all these subsidies were really consumer subsidies. "The Government was paying part of the housewife's milk and dairy products bill."

"For example, the milk production subsidy alone saved the housewife up to 1 1/4 cents a quart of evaporated milk — 2 cents a quart of fluid milk, 5 cents a pound on cheese and 1 1/2 cents a pound on butter. Greatest savings came during the winter months when production was low and the subsidies highest. The butter roll-back saved the housewife an additional 5 cents, so the total saving on butter was 1 1/2 cents a pound. The 3 3/4 cent special subsidy boosted the housewife's saving on cheddar cheese to as much as 3 3/4 cents a pound. The butter roll-back payments were stopped in November 1945 and the retail price of butter advanced 5 cents a pound. The price of cheddar cheese rose when the special 5-cent subsidy was removed last February.

"The only subsidy in effect on June 30, 1946 was the milk production subsidy to farmers. The expiration of OPA and the removal of this subsidy means higher prices. When the Government stops paying part of the housewife's milk and dairy products bill, she'll have to pay it all herself.

"The Information Services Committee endeavors to prepare for consumers information with respect to all dairy products. Members of the committee are L. J. Morley of the Michigan Milk Producers Association, Detroit; Stanley Powell of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, Lansing; Charles E. Stone of the American Dairy Association of Michigan, Lansing; W. G. Armstrong of the Michigan State Grange, Niles; H. C. Hansen of the Michigan Milk Dealers Association, Lansing; F. M. Skiver, Department of Agriculture, Lansing; A. C. Balzer, Michigan State College."

BUY U.S. VICTORY BONDS!



At their regular meeting Wednesday evening, July 17th, Farmington Post No. 1033, was given a very complete and interesting report on the recent State convention of the V.F.W. held in Grand Rapids, by Comrade Earl Van Alstine.

Junior Vice Commander, Fred Menke, Jr. was elected to attend the National Encampment to be held in Boston in September. The Post is qualified for two delegates to go to Boston, and if there is any comrade who would like to attend, kindly contact Commander Tandy. A drawing was held on the 14th playground wooden horses. The winning tickets Nos. 201 and 235 — held by A. Saxon of the DeRoy Jewelry Co. and Wm. Fox of 18371 Negawan, Detroit (18). Proceeds on the drawing were turned over to Quartermaster Carpenter, to be applied to the building fund.

Several applications were held up, due to lack of discharge certificates from the War Department. Remember, comrades, the final decision on eligibility of a new member now rests with your investigating committee and they must have the discharge papers.

August 7th being an open meeting, the Post voted unanimously to accept the program of movie entertainment offered by Corporal McCormick, of the United States Recruiting office at Pontiac. Three pictures have been secured, "We're in the Army Now," "Your America" and "Snafu vs. Malaria Mike." Bring the family and your friends, 8:00 p.m. at the Legion Hall.

### Low Bidders Announced On State Road Projects

Lansing — Recent low bidders on several county road construction projects as announced by Highway Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler are:

Rouge on Beech road over the Rouge river 3 miles east and 1/2 mile south of Farmington in Oakland county, Gosmer & Co, Detroit \$38,692.91.

Bridge on Wayne road crossing Rouge river at relocation and proposed, Edward N. Hines drive four miles east of Plymouth in Wayne county, W. J. Stora Company, Detroit, \$125,236.40.

Concrete pavement patching by P. T. Flynn Co., Detroit, on a 20-mile section of US-16 from the east city limits of Lansing east to the Ingham-Livingston county line will start next week. Completion is expected. This highway from Okemos road east to Williamston is scheduled for resurfacing after the patching operations are completed.

### Mildred McKay To Be Married

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh K. McKay, 7055 Orchard Lake Road, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mildred Louise, to Carl Louis Johnson, son of James Johnston of Davison, Michigan. The wedding will take place on Wednesday, July 24.

### LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Cox and family of Orlando, Florida, were guests of their brother, Walter Rogers of Karl Avenue last week end. Mr. Rogers and his sister had not seen each other for 33 years, so their visit was a very pleasant occasion. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McIntyre, son Donald and granddaughter, Susan Thornton, were Bay City callers on Sunday.

Through the investment of policy funds, life insurance policyholders today have at work in the national economy a stake six times as great as at the end of World War I.

### LEGAL NOTICE

LEON H. BAGLEY, Atty., 852 Bagley Street, Pontiac, Mich. STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND IN CHANCERY

ANNA CUFF, Plaintiff, vs. LUKKE CUFF, Defendant. ORDER OF PUBLICATION: At a session of said Court held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, on 20th day of June, A.D. 1946, Present: Honorable George H. Hartwick, Circuit Judge.

It is ORDERED that the said Lukke Cuff appear and answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause within three (3) months from this date, or that said Bill be taken as confessed against him; and that he be ORDERED that if he fails to do so, he shall be deemed to have admitted the facts set forth in the said Bill of Complaint, and that a copy of the same be personally served on the defendant by registered mail.

George H. Hartwick, Circuit Judge. A True Copy D. Allen, County Clerk. By Mary Cobb, Deputy.

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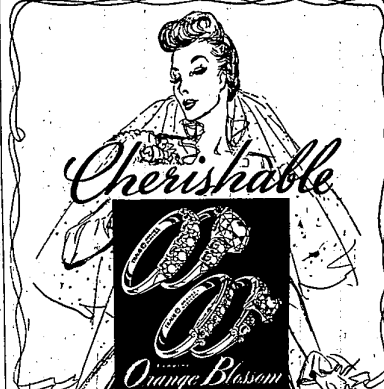
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