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# Business Good Will

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GOOD WILL is an absolute necessity in business. The Macaroni-Noodle Manufacturing Industry needs now more than ever two kinds of Good Will:

Consumer Good Will which can best be gained and maintained by quality production and fair selling practices.

Covernment Good Will which is assured when individuals and groups act so as to deserve the confidence of officials, avoiding the passage of unfair legislation.

By gaining the Good Will of the Public, the Macaroni-Noodle Industry will enjoy Government Good Will.

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS OF MANUFACTURERS OF MACARONI

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PACKAGING HEADQUARTERS FOR THE FOOD TRAD

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# Macaroni's Public Enemies

With the best thinkers in the macaroni-noodle manufacturing industry assembled in convention this month in Chicago to consider ways and means of improving general conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies. conditions in the trade and in fighting common enemies, many pertinent matters will come up for discussion. All will have an important bearing on the present situation or on the prospects of this highly important food business. But no other subject that may be discussed can be more vital to the general interests of the rank and file of the industry than the consideration of the trade enemies against which the good element in the business should combine

Readers of newspapers have noted the frequency with which the term "Public Enemy Number One" is being used. That term arouses immediate intense interest because t usually applies to a common enemy-an individual who has committed a serious crime against society and for which he will have to pay a heavy penalty when appre-

Just as the country has "public enemies" so have the various trades. The Macaroni Industry, being no exception, must combat constantly many interests that are inimical to a greater or lesser degree. The "Macaroni Public Enemy" may be an individual, or a group, or even a state of mind that commits unpardonable crimes against its best interests. They may be deliberate or unintentional-their effect is the same. They deserve to be hunted down with the same relentlessness that the famous "G" men pursue public

Who or what is the Macaroni Industry's worst "Public Enemy"? Opinions may differ, because what appears as a serious crime to some may be classified only as ordinary y others, depending on how the different crimes affect dif-erent judges. Without any thought of creating a discus-ion of this highly controversial point, an attempt will be made to list some of the industry's "Public Enemies" that should be "killed off" for the common good.

Quite naturally, Macaroni's "Public Enemies" divide

hemselves into two groups—those who attack from the putside and those who destroy from within. One affects the public acceptance or consumption of macaroni products; the other its production and distribution. They will be reated in that order, leaving it to the individual reader to lassify them and determining which is Macaroni's "Public Number One."

The "Outside Enemies" are those against which only infrect action can be taken. Among the worst in this group

such good foods as macaroni, which though easy to prepare must be cooked carefully and projerly if it is to be relished as well as it is expected by macaroni makers who are convinced that it is in macaroni products that ground wheat

takes its best and most nutritious form.

The "Habitual Injury Claimers" are becoming the bane of all honest manufacturers. They compose a "racket" that must be curbed definitely if the future of the trade is to be made safe.

The "Trade Enemies" are manufacturers who selfishly ignore the rights of others in the trade and whose chief objective appears to be the continual antagonism of the best interests in the trade, irrespective of the final results. They too, are notorious enemies. Among these can be listed the following:

The "Quality Robber" The "Price Cutter" The "Noodle Painter"

The "Reputation Destroyer."

In recent years, due perhaps to keen competition in a restricted market, the "Quality Robbers" have not only grown in numbers but in the intensiveness and the regularity of their depredations. They have been accused of doing more to discourage the increased use of macaroni than have the actions of all the other enemies combined. Some of them, fortunately only a few of them for the industry's good, have gone so far in their use of cheap ingredients as to manufacture so-called macaroni from grades of flour that heretofore were considered fit only for animal feeding. Then there is the "Price Cutter." Little need be said

about this common enemy other than that he frequently quotes prices without any knowledge of his manufacturing and distributing costs, and to the irreparable injury to

himself and his competitore

The "Noodle Painter" is a robber of old standing. He preys on the greedy buyer and the unsuspecting consumer. He uses substitutes for eggs and is ever on the alert for

new ways of "fooling the public."

The "Reputation Destroyer" is the rare individual who gets great enjoyment in robbing competitors of their good name or of ruining the good reputation of brands-reputa-

tions built up at much expense of time and money.

Perhaps there are other "Public Enemies" that have been The "Food Faddists"
The "Diet Cranks"
The "Poor Cooks"
The "Habitual Injury Claimers."
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# Manufacturers' Public Enemy Racket

A good business reputation is gained at much expense of time and money. It can be lost almos, in the twinkling of an eye. That is why a new racket is flourishing wherein food manufacturers are easy, almost willing victims.

There is pending in the New York courts a case of more than ordinary interest to every macaroni and noodle manufacturer in this country. It is an appeal from an award of damages granted by a lower court to a woman who claims to have become ill after eating noodles alleged to contain weevils. Whether that claim is a legitimate one or part of the organized racket against food manufacturers and distributors the evidence will decide, but the racket is becoming so nationwide as to warrant the attention of all wellmeaning macaroni and noodle makers.

The racket has many ramifications and involves even professional people who prev on the known intention of macaroni and other food manufacturers to maintain their good name. F. A. Palmer, an authority on the subject, has issued a warning to macaroni men not to take this new racket too lightly

#### "Big Shots" Involved

"Big shots" in this new easy money profession are crooked attorneys and shyster doctors, a disgrace to two honorable professions, and under them is an array of cripples, twisted men and women, fakers, ambulance chasers and snitchers to help flimflam the public.

Macaroni manufacturers are beginning to classify this consumer com-plaint racket as "Public Enemy No. 1"

The public has been educated in claim mindedness by clever attorneys and even members of the medical profession, who know only too well how to play claims to the limit, understanding the manufacturers' desire to avoid unfavorable publicity and anxiety to keep the good will with the public and

The racket has become so great in certain sections that members of the bar and medical profession are joining with companies in a campaign to wipe out racketeering. Every claim has a different story, glass eaters, acrobats, tack swallowers, cripples and deformed persons are among the fraudulents, who are working with crooked attorneys and doctors, to shake down the manufacturer.

#### Types of Questionable Claims

There was "The Man with the Tack." Before being caught he collected large sums of money. He was "handicapped" by having swallowed a tack, which lodged in his abdomen and quickly turned into an asset. He went

into restaurants, ordered meals and then squealed with pain, declaring he had swallowed a sharp piece of metal. X-ray disclosed the tack and the owner

An eastern "Lon Chaney" possessed the faculty of throwing his shoulder out of joint at will. He made a good living for a while, but was trapped by the claim investigators.

The glass eater is the worst flimflam enemy of them all. He goes through the same act as the tack swallower. He emits a yell and pulls a piece of glass out of his mouth. He will go so far as to scratch the inside of his mouth to produce blood. Being clever he shows the glass and the blood to other customers with loud cries of pain. The owner gets excited and makes a quick settlement.

Recently a woman fell in a department store. She claimed injuries and said she had slipped on a banana peel, which was all right until a witness testified-he saw the woman place it on the floor.

Another ingenious fraud which seldom failed to excite the sympathy of juries was recently exposed. The "victim," member of a fraud ring, bore a hideous scar the length of his cheek. With the connivance of his gang he managed to figure in prearranged accidents and be taken by them to a hospital. On the way they slit his scar afresh with a razor. The testimony of hospital physicians was, of course, honest and convincing. Witnesses to the accident were always plentiful. When this faker was exposed, it led to the indictment of 15 alleged members of the gang, including two attorneys and two doctors, on charges of conspiring to defraud legitimate business.

A man whose ankle had been broken and never healed properly used the ankle to collect settlements on fake accidents all over the country. He collected large sums of money before his racket became known. He would use a stick to beat his ankle until it became bruised and swollen, then he would allege that a walk was defective or say that he fell in a store or factory. The x-ray would always reveal broken ankle.

#### Foreign Substance in Foods

The most frequent type of claim is "foreign substances" in food products. They are popping up all over the country and this new racket is becoming a menace to the business.

Another menace of this thriving racket is the professional witness. He is a slick individual that no one has ever heard about but is a wonderful became surrounded by a protective asset to the shyster attorney. They layer of membrane. This handicap was watch advertisements in the press, inquiring for accident witnesses. They

tell the attorney doing the advertising that they were at the accident scene but must be paid if they testify. If the attorney is crooked he will immediatey have him prepared for his defense. They also watch the suits filed in the courts. One reads the charges in the petition and then gone to tell the at-torney he was a witness and wants a fee if he is to testify. If the attorney is a racketeer, he will take him on. These same people are always on the lookout for possible suits. If they have some friend who suffers some kind of an accident they run to a crooked attorney and report it. Then they set the case in motion for a damage suit, the claimant the flimflam, the crooked attorney and the conniving doctor all taking a split of whatever they are able to shake down from the company.

All the care in the world will not prevent mistakes in manufacturing, packaging and labeling and even per fection in such things cannot prevent claims for injuries, illness or death, really or allegedly caused by an idiosyncrasy of the claimant.

A manufacturer handling "private brands" has something to think about with this new racket. The handling of these claims is important. This is no job for an amateur, be he attorney salesman or broker. If a fake claim settled for a nominal amount "just to get rid of it," the manufacturer may find himself faced with another suit on the same claim because of a state warranty law, and your settlement will constitute sufficient evidence to lick the manufacturer. Incidentally several settlements like this can give a manufacturer a "reputation" that will hurt him in later claims.

The mere cost of investigating and defending such claims can foot up to a small fortune. Look out for this new racket and do not take it lightly.

#### Assumes New Duties

Beginning June 1, 1936 Robert 1 Brown, director of sales for A. Zerega's Sons, Inc. Brooklyn, N. Y. in the west-ern territory, will take on the added duty of salesmanager of the National Macaroni company of Libertyville, a subsidiary of the Foulds Milling company, Libertyville, Ill. and of the Gro Products Sales company, New York city. His Chicago office was changed from 205 W. Wacker Drive to that of the Foulds Milling company at No. 1 North La Salle st. He will relieve Webb Faurot of part of his burden, permitting the latter to devote all of his time to the promotion of the business of the Foulds Milling com-

# Cereal Chemists Studying Macaroni

Livery phase of wheat growing and g is being studied by the leading cereal chemists of the country at the annual convention of the American Association of Cereal Chemists in session at Dallas, Texas this month. Methods of ashing cereal products including macaroni, the relative loss in pigment in durum wheat and in fin-ished macaroni and other problems of deep concern to the macaroni manufacturing industry are scheduled for study and discussion according to the program released.

In this connection, here are abstracts f some of the papers to be presented:

Relative Loss in Pigment Content of Durum Wheat, Semolina and Spag-hetti Stored Under Various Conditions

By D. S. Binnington and W. F. Geddes

Samples of spaghetti and semolina experimentally processed from durum wheat, together with the wheat itself, have been stored under a variety of conditions for a period of one year.

Pigment determinations have been made and data are presented showing the general trends of pigment change during this period.

At the end of one year's storage, it has been determined that spaghetti undergoes little change, semolina next and wheat the most.

The conditions of storage in order of increasing loss of pigment are; vacuuo, sealed containers and unsealed containers. The amount of loss also increases from low to higher temperatures and is greater in daylight than in the dark

By H. Johannson, D. S. Binnington and W. F. Geddes

The literature of cereal colorimetry is reviewed, together with methods, apparatus and various means of express g results.

Spectrophotometric methods as applied to the examination of macaroni products are discussed and statistical criteria presented for differences in dominant wave length, purity and brightness as applied to a series of replicates and also to samples of differing color. Data are also given for comparisons between spectrophotometric and disc colorimetric methods.

Several methods of disc colorimetry have been studied and the Bausch and Lomb HSP Cole Analyzer with Munsell discs employed to secure statistical criteria for ditterences upon wheat. semolina, macaroni, spaghetti, flat strip, flour, pekar slicks (wet) and crumb colour of bread. Different samples of these cereal products have also been investigated to secure data regarding the spreads obtainable and thus ascertain the practical value of the method. These spreads permit of ready color differentiation between varieties of whole wheat kernels and even between damaged and undamaged kernels from the same sample. They also show excellent differentiation between various grades of durum semolina and hard red spring wheat flour; place mac-

Comparative Study of Spectrophotometric and Colorimetric Methods of Evaluating the Color of Cereal Prodpreliminary studies with bread indicate good agreement with visual score and identical agreement between flour col-

> Relative Macaroni Making Quality of a Number of Durum Wheat Varieties

By D. S. Binnington and W. F. Geddes

Thirty-four samples of experimentally grown durum wheats produced in western Canada during 1934 and 1935 have been milled into semolina and macaroni produced therefrom.

Official grades, weight per bushel and milling yields are presented, together with protein and carotene data for both wheats and semolinas.

Color analyses have been made upon the macaroni and a single figure estimate derived from the values for "hue,"
"brilliance" and "saturation" developed, which corresponds with visual color score.

Within the samples examined, only

mindum, arnatuka, several new mindum-pentad crosses, pelissier, akroma and a ilumillo mindum cross produced macaroni of satisfactory commercial value from the standpoint of color and appearance.

No substantial difference was found in the cooking behaviour of the samples tested.

Evidence is found that little if any relation exists between carotenoic content of durum wheat and the color of macaroni produced therefrom.

#### The Cellophane Exhibit

The DuPont Cellophane company of New York city, manufacturer of the tran-parent wrapper that has become so popular in the noodle industry in recent years, will have an unusually attractive display of different shapes and forms of wrapped packages of macaroni products at the Chicago convention this month.

The exhibit will consist of scores of brands of this food marketed by firms in every section of the country in the "visible package" form. It will show the practicability of packing all shapes of macaroni products from the large "Zitoni" to the minute shapes recommended for baby food.

The exhibit will be in direct charge of L. B. Steele, assistant director of sales, New York. He will be assisted by the Chicago representative of Du-Pont Cellophane Co. Inc. The exhibit will be open not only to the interested

manufacturers but also to the public to acquaint them with the cleanly and safe manner in which this food is packed for their use.

#### Flour Broker Heads Victory Celebration

Frank R. (Mussolini) Prina Heads Committee of 1000 in Italian Red Cross Drive

Acclaiming the Italian victory of Ethiopia, more than 16,000 Americans of Italian birth or descent gathered at a victory ball and celebration in Madison Square Garden last night. (The New York Times of May 11, 1936.)

Frank Prina, well known flour broker New York city and a good friend of the Italian macaroni manufacturers of the New York Metropolitan area, chairman of the Committee of One Thousand which arranged the affair,

estimated that it would raise between \$20,000 and \$25,000 for the benefit of the Italian Red Cross and other war relief agencies.

A parade of representatives of 104 Italo-American fraternal and civic organizations bearing American and Italian flags opened the observance. Among the marchers was a squad of blackshirts, and one dark skinned Eritrean in a red fez in token of the part played in the conquest by Italy's native troops.

Gaetano Vecchiotti, Italian consul general of New York city, declared that now that Italy had conquered Ethiopia her armies would proceed to wine out slavery, established peace and order and permit the development of the natural resources of the territory.

Chairman Prina declared that the conquest was "a great victory for civiliza-tion" and thanked the Italians and friendly Americans for the generous support given the Italian Red Cross that has done such valiant work during the period of the war.

# A Salesman's Views and Suggestions

Akron, Ohio, May 17, 1936. Mr. M. J. Donna, Editor,

The Macaroni Journal, Braidwood, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Donna: Am attaching my check for another year's payment of my subscription for THE MACARONI JOURNAL, which still acts as "MY BIBLE" in assisting me in convincing dealers to purchase only high

grade, genuine macaroni products.

I recall having a very pleasant visit with you at your home about a year ago, and I'm still the happiest Macaroni and Egg Noodle Salesman in America, because of being employed by a firm whose business ethics are of the highest type, and who are constantly striving to bring this Industry up to a higher stan-dard of highest quality goods and honest

time is fast approaching when they have either to "put their own house in order" or else invite the Federal Government to step in and force some of the "quality chiselers" to manufacture a real prod-uct-egg noodles, for instance, with real eggs in them, and not an artificial article which is a detriment to the Industry as a whole. The same applies to Macaroni Products. Why,—really it's a shame to foist on the public some of the "Ethiopian" Macaroni Products, which in many cases I've seen, were nearly as black as Emperor Selassie's so-called

A review of trade conditions encountered and the harmful effects on macaroni salesmanship by the increased offerings of low low grade products

chasers say that they don't eat maca-roni any more because it is not as good as it used to be. So for heaven's sake —if these "quality robbers" keep on making this "junk" that they are now foisting on the public, it won't be long a lot of them will be forced out

Soon now, the Macaroni Manufacturers of America are going to hold their convention in Chicago—and I'm wondering if they will finally realize that the time is fast approaching when they have either to "put their bring pressure to bear upon the "Chis-elers"—(we all know who they are)— and by concentrated action force these "Chiselers" to do business the honest, honorable way, or else adopt measures to force these "crooks" out of this business. It looks to me as one actually on the field of battle for better quality macaroni distribution, that this Industry really needs "Government Superivsion" as they seemingly cannot agree and will not keep their word to "put their own house in order"-in order to save them-

warriors.

Pardon a salesman's freely expressed views. As I vision the whole picture—some of the manufacturers by manufacturing this inferior product in order

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to undersell their competitors, are really a menace to our Industry, because many times while in stores I've heard purparance. This "fooling of the public" into eating of this low grade once-merely means that another constant user of our food is lost to all of us.

Personally, I'd like to see it compulsory to have all this "junk" marked BELOW STANDARD, like it used to be, and I'm sure I voice the sentiment of all the other honorable manufacturers and salesmen in recommending thisbecause, then at least, the purchaser would know what he is buying.

Would know what he is buying.

Well, Mr. Donna, I've rattled off again on my pet subject, but I can't help it. It burns me up to see these darned "cheaters" in our business "Killing the goose that lays the golden eggs,"—all on account of selfishness and greed. Vet while they temporarily sell their Yet, while they temporarily sell their output they are in reality tearing down consumption so that in the end we all lose. Finally, I'd say, if they cannot agree to "clean house" at the June constitution. vention, for heaven's sake, let's have a Macaroni Czar like Judge Landis is to baseball and make these "cheaters" come to time before it is too late.

> Sincerely, F. J. MURRAY.

This interesting letter from one in actual daily contact with the retailers and consumers needs no editorial comment.—The Editor.

MACARONI-GRAMS I will assume his proposition is honest By Spag MacNoodle

#### Too Much Suspicion

I know a good many smart business men whose first attitude toward the man who approaches them with any kind of a selling proposition is one of suspicion. They seem to be telling themselves, "I've got to watch out or this bird will be putting something

These suspicious chaps are modern. They are skeptical. Needless to say, they are young. They pride themselves on adopting the motto, "In God we trust, all others cash!" They are not as keen as they think they are or they would see the folly of thinking everyone else is crooked, while expecting everyone else to think them straight.



I want to be able to walk into a man's office to try to sell him some-thing without feeling he suspects me of being a gold brick artist. I want a man with something to sell to come into my office with the certainty that

Suspicion of men with something to sell is sure to drive away opportunities. The honest salesman resents and he has a right to resent unfounded sus-Every man with something he wants

to sell is a possible help to my business. If I am rated as a prospective

purchaser, he is a prospective oppor-tunity for a profitable purchase.

No business man can expect to dis-cover for himself all the good buys in his field of industry. In the trade jourhis field of industry. In the trade jour-nals he will pick up a good many im-portant business helps. He cannot af-ford to ignore them. But if he depends solely upon such propositions as are brought to him by the postman, he will miss many he cannot afford to miss and he will fall short of buying in many cases where it would now him in many cases where it would pay hi to buy. It is only the salesman's pe sonal urgency that results in many the purchases we find ourselves gla we have made.

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Trom beginning to end - QUALITY!



WASHBURN CROSBY

Is the generally reported trend toward the cheaper and very inferior facts be ascertained on which definite flour macaroni and spaghetti increasing or diminishing under the semsn use mands of the greedy distributors who are concerned only in immediate, large

They admit that there may be some need for macaroni made from the bet-ter grades of flour, but there is abso-

eral conclusion that the increased production of low grade flour macaroni is causing a gradual decrease in the annual per capita consumption of macaroni in this country?

These are but some of the questions that are puzzling the manufacturers of the better grade macaroni products— the real friends of the trade. In order to get some definite idea of the extent of the reputed trend away from quality macaroni, some figures depicting the trend and reasons therefor, the National Macaroni Manufacturers association is making a survey through the distribution of a questionnaire on the sub-ject sent to 100 representative manufacturers in all parts of the country. From answers to these questionnaires will be compiled facts and figures that will be illuminating and helpful to the friends of the industry who attend the annual meeting of the industry in Chicago June 15 and 16, and where action may be taken to curb the reported ten-

In order to give all interested manufacturers an opportunity to submit figures, facts and suggestions, the questionnaire referred to is reproduced below. While answers may not be included in the report to be made to the convention they will be helpful in enlarging the scope of the survey. Interested manufacturers are invited to submit their answers to the questions in the questionnaire direct to the Association office in Braidwood, Ill. not later than June 30, 1936.

In a letter accompanying the original questionnaire the secretary brings out these facts in connection with the

proposed survey: From numerous sources have come complaints that the use of ordinary flour in macaroni making has increased alarmingly in recent years. That this harmful tendency is attributed to the ready acquiescence of weak macaroni manufacturers to the demands of greedy distributors, wholesalers and retailers, who are apparently not in the least concerned about the quality of the macaroni they handle, but solely in the possible 100% profit that can be made on flour macaroni as against a possible 25% on se nolina goods.

The trend away from quality macaroni has become so noticeable that a group of conscientious manufacturers.

Is it true that SEMOLINA MACA-ONI is rapidly and definitely disap-earing from the principal U. S. martrade and the macaroni wheat growing industry is doomed, have asked that action can be taken to save the indus-

lutely no excuse for using some of the low grade material that now finds its way into this food that should be always among the most nutritious of grain foods. Why, analyses of some of the products now on the market show them to be made of grades of flour that were heretofore considered as totally unfit for human consumption.

In the questionnaire submitted to ascertain definite facts and figures manufacturers are asked to give percentages only and are also assured that any information given will be held in strict confidence-all of it being used in preparing a composite re-port on the subject for presentation to the convention.

The importance of the survey cannot be overestimated. The need for coordinated action to slow down and finally curb this reputed tendency toward lower and lower grades of macaroni will not be overlooked by any manufacturer who has his own interests and those of his trade at heart. It is difficult enough to get new consumers to try a new product and it is definitely harmful to the trade if that new user of macaroni unfortunately buys some of this low grade stuff that has only the appearance and none of the real food qualities of good maca-

It is not the intent of the proponents of the survey to prevent the use of bread flours in the manufacture of

macaroni because there may be a n ket for such grades, though they a quite generally of the opinion that be ter macaroni would make more lastin friends for this food, but they are hope ful of definitely carling the downward trend in the grade of raw material now being used in products that mas querade as macaroni and spaghetti.

Here are the facts which the spot sors hope to obtain through the que tionnaire submitted last month and which additional answers from all i terested manufacturers are invited:

#### Questionnaire

Flour vs. Semolina

From your observation of your regular outlets, do you find consumption of Flour Macaroni increasing or diminist

Flour Macaroni increasing or diministin? Answer
From your production records, plea indicate what PERCENTAGE of your TOTAL ANNUAL PRODUCTION was of Flour Macaroni Products as what PERCENTAGE was of Semolar Macaroni:

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Semolina ...% ...% ...% ....
Flour ...% ...% .....
Are you in favor of following the list of least resistance or do you favor de inite, concerted action to popularie QUALITY MACARONI, to creat permanent users of good macaroni? Answer Why.
Would you favor an Educational Advettising Campaign for Semolina Macarot by the Semolina or Durum Millers, and direct cost to you or any other intervidual manufacturer?
Answer.
What other action would you suggest to curb definitely the reputed trend towards low-grade macaroni?

Answer .....

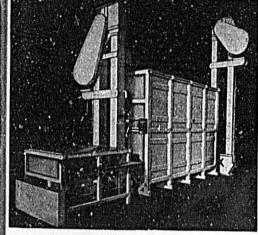
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THE MICHIGAN ROOM of the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, where the Macaroni-Noodle Manufacturers and Allieds will gather June 15 and 16, 1936, for the 33rd annual convention of the National Macaroni Manufacturers Association. This will also be the scene of the annual banquet, entertainment and dance as the closing feature of the 1936 conference.

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# Chicago



is calling You to attend the

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of the

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St. Louis, Missouri

IDEAL MACARONI CO.

V. ARENS & SONS, INC.

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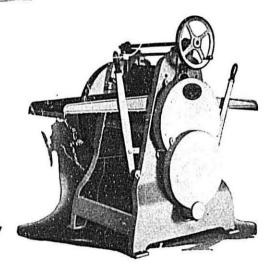
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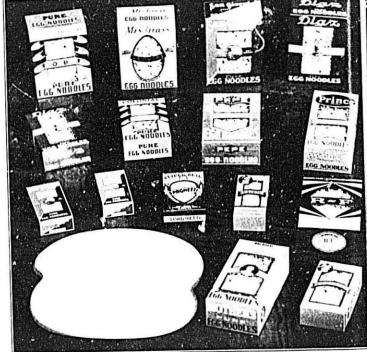
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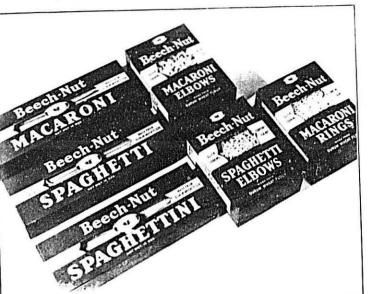


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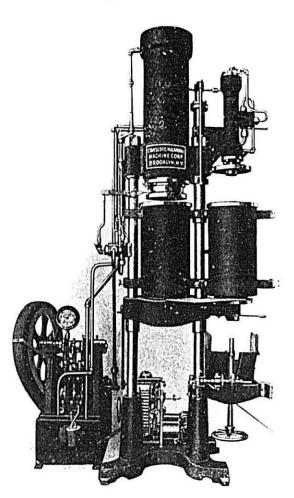
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rule than the exception for nine packages out of ten to be contrived in from four to six colors, gold and embossing, and almost again without exception in the same four to six colors, so that the identifying characteristic in all of them, strenuously competing though they were, lay in the sameness of background and other colors. In these days of striving for bolder, forceful poster appeal rather than the too conventionally realistic, it is frequently possible to design, without forfeiting significant clarification of con-tents, and the quality connotation, a fitting vehicle for a product, in terms of one or two or three colors which, with the addition of gloss have a quality of distinction in their use of off-hues, which resorting to six colors in the old days failed to contribute. The use of colors in combination has been developed into a demonstrable science within certain limits and those whose gifts do not in-clude an intuitive feeling for color values and combinations may compensate in generous degree for their lack by resorting to the equivalent of a dictionary of

Admitting the desirability of a package's retention of identity after purchase it is significant that the intelligently con-trived package is devised with one eye to shelf appeal and the other to a har-monious blending with the sphere of its use in the home. Where this is not done the discriminating householder loses no time in emptying the contents into a vehicle of her own, with the disadvantage of lost identity.

If in addition to the individual package a counter display is planned, or per-haps also a corrugated shipping case or a corrugated floor display stand, there will run through all of these a thread of identification, either by means of color or design or both, so that the value of reiterated identity may be had.

Contemporary merchandising takes into recognition the existence in all ranks of purchasers of a definite striv-ing for beauty of line, form and color, with an appreciation of consumer convenience, in whatever form these may apply to the specific instance; and a package which in addition to doing the things that the manufacturer expects of it fails to qualify with regard to the above mentioned aspects, is not in tune with the best contemporary merchandising thought and practice, and by that same token can have less hope of being the most eloquent spokesman for the, but for it, at the point of sale, inarticulate content.

Certain work requires more muscular effort. Other work requires more brain

Hard work provides the money. Thrift turns it into savings.

#### Machinery Exhibits

Several manufacturers of macaroni machinery and accessories are planning to exhibit their newest developments at the Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicago in connection with the 33rd annual convention of the macaroni industry June 15, 16, 1936. While some have the matter under advisement, a few have made definite arrangements for their educational exhibits.

The Triangle Package Machinery company of Chicago will exhibit the newest thing in automatic macaroni packers and scales.

The J. L. Ferguson Co. of Joliet, Ill. will exhibit its latest development in "Packomatic" Packaging Machine-

All the leading builders of macaroni presses, mixers, brakes, kneaders, flour blenders, dies and dryers will have ready interesting illustrations of the modern types in their respective lines.

The unofficial exhibition this year is expected to be one of the best ever presented at a national conference of the macaroni-noodle manufacturing

If calf skins make the best shoes, what kind of skins make the best slippers?

THE MACARONI JOURNAL



# The Simplest and Safest Way to keep your plant Insect-Free

FROM the moment semolina is stored in your plant to the time the packages of macaroni start on their way, Dr. Loebel's protects your profits and your reputation.

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#### Proud of Long **Business Career**

lowans are rightfully proud of one of their leading food industries, the Crescent Macaroni and Cracker company of Davenport, if the article carried is the April 1936 issue of the lowa Food Dealer of that city is any cri-terion. This successful fam was one of the score of macaroni factories that helped organize the National Macaroni Manufacturers association over 32 years ago, a membership which it has held continuous throughout the generation. The article reads:

#### 1936 Marks 61 Years of Service

Evidently the Crescent Macaroni and Cracker company has served well or it would not be possible for it to en-joy the good will of the trade for so many years. The business started in the spring of 1875 when Hugo Schmidt, Sr., conceived the idea of starting a factory of his own. In 1878 Mr. Schmidt met with a fatal accident at his factory by stepping off into the elevator shaft while showing visitors through the plant, at which time his son Oswald Schmidt left his school training unfinished to continue the work his father had started. It is largely due to his untiring efforts that the Crescent folks are enjoying the progress they are showing today.

In November 1922 he died a natural death, leaving his business in the hands of three men, Carl and Hugo Schmidt and Fred L. Ray, whom he had trained and who are now the active manage-

ment at Crescent. If business at Crescent is any indication of business generally, then certainly the country has nothing to worry about for the next six months. It was with a great deal of pride that it announced January and February 1936 ahead of last year.

Their friends will be interested in this because they helped make it possible. They are exceedingly grateful for the way Crescent Quality Products are being received everywhere. Tom Thumbs lead the way with a reputa-tion as "the world's best crackers." Crescent "Golden Brown" Graham Crackers and Lindys are the most pop-ular in the Crescent family of cookies.

In macaroni products Crescent originated the 5-minute cooker-"Macronets" and the 5-minute Egg Noodle. The star and crescent emblem on its packages of macaroni, spaghetti, egg noodles, and other products, stands for 100 per cent pure amber durum semolina quality. Crescent believes, as ex-perience proves, that there is no sub-

Crescent holds the world's record in continuous radio broadcasting in not having missed a single weekly broad-

cast since it went on the air in April 1925 each Wednesday at 4 p. m. over WOC and WHO.

#### Macaroni Cheese Exhibit

Because macaroni manufacturers re ommend certain kinds of cheese th they believe are preferable if their products are to be served with the zestfulness of the Italian macaroni an spaghetti dishes, those who attend the nvention of the macaroni industr in Chicago this month will see a fin display of "Cheese Specialties" amon the other exhibits at the Edgewate Beach hotel.

The special cheese exhibit will be sponsored by the Ehrat Cheese com pany of Chicago, Ill. It will be under the direct supervision of Louis Caravetto, president of the firm and a former macaroni manufacturer.

Grated cheese in bulk, in hand sprinkling containers and original cheeses from which the gratings are made will compose this interesting an educational exhibit.

The lift is most apt to come along if it isn't looked for, or depended upon.

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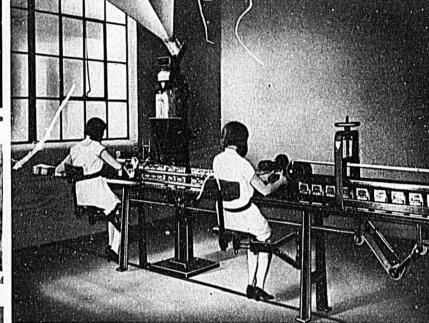




are slipped over top lap which down while carton is drawn



natural turn of arm and wrist brings arion upright ready for feeding to ing machine by conveyor



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# YOU CAN Meet Competition WHEN YOU WEIGH AND SEAL THIS MODERN WAY

 $W_{
m quality, it's \ time \ to \ cut \ your \ production \ costs!}$  Packaging by hand or with obsolete machines is a mighty expensive operation. These older methods simply cannot match present high-speed production or compete with the new scale of prices. • Only up to date packaging machines place you in a position to successfully outsell and overcome competition. Such a machine is the latest Triangle Automatic net weigher and sealer, shown on this page. Here is a simple, sturdy, highly efficient piece of equipment, capable of cutting your packaging costs lower than you ever thought possible. Only two operators, with this machine, can produce 20 to 25 finished packages per minute . . . about 10,000 a day! • You can change carton sizes practically "on the run". There's no lost time. Handles cartons up to 11" in height, or one as small as a package of cigarettes. Extremely economical in operation, thoroughly dependable; unusually simple and foolproof, this Triangle Weigher and Sealer, in your plant, will pay for itself again and again, very quickly. Investigate now! Let our trained engineers show you exactly how this machine will save you money, increase your business and profits. Write us today. There is no obligation.

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# Development of American Macaroni Industry Studying Food Racket Defense Plans Why Conventions?

From a nation that imported its macaroni needs from foreign countries up to a generation or two ago, the United siveness of that business, records were international trade in macaroni product siveness of that business, records were or alimentary pastes as some foreign countries still prefer to term this ex-States macaroni-noodle manufacturing industry has grown with such rapidity and in such proportions that shortly after the World war it became a macaroni exporting agency of considerable

The figures given are those compiled by the Bure'u of Domestic and foreign Commerce, United States Department of Commerce. Between 1900 when the first tabulations were made and the year 1917, all figures are for the fiscal year ending June 30. Starting in 1918 the bureau compiled its data as of the calen-

Prior to the year 1922 no separate export figures on macaroni products were aintained, but at the insistence of the National Macaroni Manufacturers asso-

The tables below tell of this country's cellent grain food.

Official Figures on United States Macaroni

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Del Credere Plan Would Curb Price Cutting

While the control of the many maca-roni outlets might make the plan im-practical for most macaroni-noodle manufacturers, all will be interested in the explanation of the plan that has been found so satisfactory in some lines,

Agitation among dealers in all lines for a plan to eliminate ruthless price and the use of well known branded items as loss leaders to attract customers has focused attention on the Del Credere plan which has been adopted by a few manufacturers as a legal means of controlling resale prices to consumers.

The growing popularity of the Del Credere plan as a factor in stabilizing prices at profitable levels seems to be due to the success which dealers have had in maintaining prices on the few items so far sold under this plan and the insistent demand that other manufacturers of trade marked lines adopt similar methods to protect their retail

So far as the manufacturer is concerned there is a considerable amount of detail connected with the working out of this plan, and in many cases it means a vast increase in capital investment for the manufacturer.

The most essential feature of a Del Credere contract is that the dealer becomes an agent of the manufacturer and receives a stock of goods on consignment instead of buying the goods outright. In other words the manufacturer owns the goods on the dealer's floor and can dictate the price and terms of sale. Agency contracts of this type usually contain a provision making the dealer

liable to a penalty if he sells below the

established prices.

It is now admitted that the Del Credere plan is the only method whereby resale prices can be legally controlled. All other plans based on a straight sale to the dealer have failed because the courts have repeatedly held that a dealer who buys goods outright is the absolute owner of such merchandise and can do with it as he pleases. He can cut the price or give the goods away, and nothng can be done about it.

It is true that the manufacturer can refuse to sell to a price cutter and this method has been used by a few manufacturers for some years, but if the cutter gets goods from some other firms instead of direct from the manufacturer he can still continue to cut prices. This is a trick that has been used by some of the largest retailers in the country. When a manufacturer refused to sell them direct they merely made arrangements with some other friendly firms to buy the goods and reship them to the cutter's warehouses.

The dealer's part is comparatively simple when compared with the manufacturer's problems in working out the Del Credere plan, and it is quite evident that a manufacturer will not adopt it unless he is determined to stop price cutting on his products and cooperate

with dealers who insist on a fair profit. In the first place, changing from a straight sale to a consignment basis immediately increases the manufacturer's investment in finished stock. Several manufacturers have been able to meet the increased capital requirements by giving agency holders the opportunity to purchase a limited amount of the firm's common stock, thus giving them a share in the firm's profits. Another manufac-

turer offers stockholders an agency of tract with some extra discounts, which has been the means of selling stock to large proportion of its distributors, the easing the burden of carrying consign

ment stocks in thousands of stores. The Del Credere plan emphasizes importance of credit and risks must b checked much more carefully than und any other plan. Where goods are so outright it is immaterial to the many facturer if a buyer's credit and busine reputation is given a low rating, so lon as the buyer pays cash. But if a stod of goods is consigned the manufacture wait until the dealer has sold th goods before payment is due, and it is quite plain that the manufacturer will need some assurance that the dealer wil or can pay after he has sold the goods

However the plan can be worked or if manufacturers and their dealers operate, 's has been demonstrated b number of large firms which did t pioneering work in stabilizing prices of heir products, and it is quite likely the much more will be heard about the need of this plan at the various meetings of independent retailers throughout

#### Food Handling Trucks Catalog

Typical cases of handling foods the Lift Truck-Skid Platform syste for wholesale grocers, bakers, mace roni-noodle manufacturers, product wholesalers, packers and other foo manufacturers are fully illustrated and briefly described in a new circular N 116, just issued by Lewis-Shepar Company, Material Handling Equif-ment Engineers, Watertown, Mas copies of which may be had by writing A 15-day free trial is offered to any mentioning this publication.

are beginning to realize more and ore that they are a special target for the new form of racketeers—question-able claims for damages on account of

ries alleged to have been sustained eating foreign substances in their lucts—are interested in the study eing made of the "racket" and possilities for individual and group pro-

This matter was brought forcibly to eir attention by a recent case against New York firm and the assessment damages against the distributers of leged weevily noodles from which ment an appeal is pending. Other od interests are likewise considering fense plans in an effort to curb or amp out a nefarious practice that is ting food manufacturers many thouids of dollars annually in

Many firms have sought protection taking out products liability insurice to cover possible claims. While protects the insured, it does not elp stamp out the growing racket beause most insurance companies are rone to settle with claimants and very settlement is merely added enouragement, aggravating the problem. Through the National Macaroni

anufacturers association there is beng studied the defense plans that have een found practical by the Associated rocery Manufacturers Association of merica which has been combating his racket with considerable success or years. Its plans are being made wailable to other food trades, the Millrs National Federation having recentarranged for AGMA's help in hanling such products liability claims. The plan of action against all claimnts is explained, as follows:

AGMA has accumulated the names more than 8000 individuals who we made claims to grocery manufacirers for alleged damage to body and ealth and of more than 4000 lawyers nd doctors who in any way have beme recognized as parties to such

When a new claim comes in the IGMA checks its name file and in a urprising number of cases it is found hat the same individual has at some me or another made an unwarranted laim against some other manufacturer. no previous record of the claimant available, a Pinkerton investigation made. Those two steps eliminate vell over 90% of all the claims. Now nd then genuine claims are estab-ished, and in such instances most anufacturers expect to settle for their ability without further ceremony ery few claimants whose demands without merit have carried their ses into court, but in such cases they not often obtain much consolation Inder this plan when a firm has a

Macaroni-noodle manufacturers who demand from a consumer for damages on account of the alleged presence of tacks, broken glass, weevils, dead mice or what not in macaroni products, the manufacturer would be requested to give detailed information of the claim. name of the individual making the claim, name of the attorney through which it is made and of the doctor attesting to the injury and the exact nature of the claim. If it is found that the claimant is an habitual one, the organization's attorneys may succeed getting him to drop the claim. If an investigation is necessary, that will be carried out with the consent of the macaroni firm involved and steps taken in accordance with the information uncovered by the investigation. In the rare cases that reach the courts the defense attorneys of AGMA, experienced in cases of this nature, will represent the defendant, the latter paying their fees and the cost of the action. The service is recommended on the basis that when the interest of ACMA's products liability defense division is noticed by the "racketeers" the claim is usually dropped without going to the civil courts for substantiation of

#### **DETERMINATION WINS**

The prospect who poses as one who can't be sold for one reason or another. is apt to be successful with the salesman who only hopes to make sales. But he doesn't fool the salesman who is determined to make sales. Such a salesman's determination makes him see obstacles only as obstructions that are to be removed.

Be determined. It is surprising how consistently prospects will to all intents and purposes say-"all right, if you insist.



B. R. JACOBS

Washington representative, who will ive an extensive report on his carotene investigation sponsored by the National association.

On the eve of the 1936 convention of the National Macaroni Manufacturers association, the annual conference of the macaroni industry to which all who are interested are always invited, there must be some who will ask the ques-"Why Have Conventions Anyway?" Overlooking the admitted fact that these same people might be equal-ly curious if their industry did not chedule a convention wherein the problems of the trade might get the united, concerted attention of the best minds therein, we reproduce in paraphrase the views of the editor of the 'ooden Barrel who recently editorialzed as follows:

Conventions are probably as ancient an institution as the history of man.

The first convention, we can imagine, was held back in the stone age days when gigantic reptiles roamed the Pitted single handed against one of these monsters, the brawny cave man was a helpless and puny creature.

But we can picture a group of them gathering about a fire and making the revolutionary discovery that, by acting together, they could dig a hole large enough to catch a dinosaur or build a trap to snare a brontosaur.

Thus through the ages, men continued to learn that in union there was strength. A general in charge of far flung army operations learned that he could accomplish more with a meeting of his general staff than by dispatching hundreds of written messages. A ruler summoving his various ministers could get a comprehensive picture of conditions in his kingdom.

Today conventions serve a new purpose. No longer is competition limited to concerns in the same field. A real estate deale no longer competes only with other real estate men-he must also compete with automobile salesmen, life insurance salesmen, bond salesmen and many others if he wishes to sell his clients on the idea of in-

vesting in real estate.
It is here that trade associations such as the National Macaroni Manufacturers association fill a real need. Manufacturers all over the country unite through this group to promote their common interests, solve their common problems, and exchange information which will benefit every individual member.

While magazines and bulletins published by such an association serve a useful purpose in dispensing information of value all members, the association functions at its best through its conventions. And every member who attends these meetings takes part in discussions, and contributes his ideas for the welfare of the group-that member reaps the greatest benefit from his organization.

Those who fail to find congenial work usually are in that fix because they do not find work congenial.

#### Are You Helpless Against False Advertising by Competitors?

Buffalo, N. Y.

We are being greatly plagued up here by certain firms doing false and exaggerated advertising. They make a great spread in the newspapers, claiming to give excessive values and this competition is exceedingly hard to meet. We have a local association which has warned these people, but to no avail. A Business Bureau that we have consulted says it is very hard to prosecute anybody for questions of quality, and has not been able to do We have a false advertising law in this state, but have been advised that it is not enforced to any

We do not see that there should be any difficulty in going against these people, when they repeatedly advertise something as first quality which we in the business know from samples obtained is second quality and some-times third. Are we helpless in this

A. E. & Bro. Co.

In my judgment no merchant who is interfered with by the false, fraudulent and deceptive advertising of competitors is helpless today. The trouble is that so many business firms in that position are afflicted with a tremendous inertia about such matters. They hesitate about putting themselves in the position of attacking a competitor who position of attacking a competitor who seells cheaper than they do, and is apparently more enterprising. They realize what publicity possibilities there are for a merchant whose competitors which he has been told is getting him attack him, and simply cannot bring themselves to go ahead. A live and active Better Business Bureau is of very great help, if there is one in the city, but some of these bureaus are not as efficient as they might be and some are even open to suspicion.

What law is open to this correspondent and others similarly situated? First there is a dishonest advertising law in force in New York state. In a nutshell it forbids the use of false or de-ceptive statements in advertising and makes violation a misdemeanor. Most states have similar laws, much like this. No law is more poorly enforced. Pennsylvania has a first class advertising law, but I cannot remember when a case was brought under it. New York state as I have said, has such a law. I am constantly reading New York court reports among others and I can remember no case against false advertising, though New York city is

However, I ought not to accuse New York city alone. I have never known a time when there was so much false, exaggerated and deceptive advertising at there is today. In all fields and in all places. The radio is absolutely putrid with fake advertising, mostly of medicinal or toilet preparations, but



Arthur F. (Art) Briese, known as America's Knight of Satire, will be one of the speakers at the convention banquet the evening of June 16, 1936 at the Edgewater Beach hotel. Hailed as an outstanding humorist, "Art" Briese is said to represent one of the few real righlights of the American rostrum. He has an interesting message for macaroni-noodle manufacturers and will present it in a telling manner.

outside of one or two cases nobody does anything about it.

To get back to the remedies open to this correspondent, he isn't dependent on a false advertising law. He can proceed under the criminal law of false pretense. A merchant offers or advertises a thing as first quality. A customer reading that and relying on first quality. In reality the article is second or third quality. That is a per-fect case of obtaining money under false pretenses, and the person, firm or corporation (the officers) who does it can be arrested. Although this remedy is wide open to anybody, I do not recall ever seeing a case in which it was used to prosecute false advertising. have often wondered why.

I have come in contact over a period of several years with a few false advertising cases, and from what I noted I think the law is mostly ignored be-cause cases brought under advertising laws have failed. The reason they have failed-some of them anyway-is that

they were very poorly prepared.
Advertising can of course be false in several ways, but in a majority of cases it is false because of untrue claims regarding grade or quality. It does no good to bring such a case on a mere opinion as to grade or quality. The quality must be demonstrable as first, second, third or whatever it is. Demonstrable by recognized standards, so that it is possible to make oath that it is not what the advertiser said it was. If a case cannot be brought on that kind of evidence it should not be brought at all.

By Elton J. Buckley, Counselor-at-Law

#### Retail Grocers Convention

The 39th annual convention of th National Association of Retail Grocers of America will be held in Texas th week of June 22, 1936. Dual headquar ters will be set up in the Adolphus an Baker hotels to take care of the lar number of grocers from every state the union expected to attend the co vention and incidentally take in th Texas centennial which will be on

full swing.

The sessions will be held in Exposition building where the usua convention exhibit will also be shown Each session will be devoted to prolems of the retail grocery business Thursday, June 23 has been set asid as "Grocers" Day at the Texas Cen

tennial.
H. C. Petersen, secretary-manage of the association will leave for Dalla Texas immediately after his appea ance at the convention of the Mac roni-Noodle Manufacturers association at the Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicag the afternoon of June 16, where he w tell the macaroni men something about their merchandising pro lems as sens by the retailer.

#### Proof of Tax Absorption Asked

Macaroni-noodle manufacturers w be interested in a recent decision the courts in connection with a cla for refund of processing taxes pa under the defunct Agricultural Adjus of the Atlantic Macaroni company Long Island City, N. Y. It is explain as follows in the May 20, 1936 is: of the Northwestern Miller:

#### AAA Refund Procedure

United States District Court eastern New York recently ruled th the amendments to the Agricultur Adjustment Act, which establish procedure for refunds, were not validated by the Hoosac Mills cision of the Supreme Court. The lantic Macaroni Co., Inc., Brooklyn, not entitled to recover taxes paid der the original law, in the absence evidence showing that the proces complied with conditions precedent to a recovery as set forth in the amend ments of Aug. 24, 1935 the court

One of these precedents provide that the taxpayer show proof that

did not pass on the taxes to a buy In its decision, the court said: essence, what the plaintiff wants the money paid as the result of an a lawful exaction. The amendment, though compelling proof beyond the mere payment of the unlawful exaction, does not deprive the plaintiff of the right to recover. The clear p pose of the remedial amendment prevent the taxpayer from securing unjust enrichment."

# Official Program

Thirty-third Annual Convention

# NATIONAL MACARONI MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago

June 14, 15, 16, 1936

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 1936**

2:00 p.m.—Preliminary Registration.
In Exhibit Room West Lounge. 2:15 p.m .- Final Meeting 1935-1936 Board of Directors. In Berwyn Room. 4:00 p.m.—Preview of Exhibits. In West Lounge.

> EVENING Beach Walk Entertainment.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 15, 1936

(In Michigan Room)

9:00 a.m.-Registration

MORNING SESSION-9:30 to 12:30 President Louis S. Vagnino, presiding

9:30 a.m.—Opening Ceremonies. Roll Call.

Roll Call.
The President's Message—Louis S. Vagnino.
Secretary-Treasurer's Report—M. J. Donna.
Washington Representative's Report — B. R.
Jacobs.

-Address, "Think It Out or Fight It Out"—G. G. Hoskins, Association Adviser. Discussion.

-Address, "Trade Associations Since NRA" -E. L. Rhoades, Editor Food Field Reporter. Discussion.

12:25 p.m.—Appointment of Convention and Special Committees. 12:30 p.m.-Adjournment.

Group Luncheon-12:30 to 2:00 (In North Dining Room-NMMA Doing the Honors)

Entertainment—"Dramatization of Macaroni Salesmanship"
By Artists from Columbia Broadcasting Company
Three Scenes—The Wrong Way... The Usual Way...
The Right Way.

AFTERNOON-2:30 to 5:00 (In Michigan Room)

Vice President Joseph Freschi, presiding Call to Order.
Topic for General Discussion—"The Ills of the Macaroni Industry and Probable Remedies."
Leader—Joseph Freschi.

4:30 p.m.-Closed Session for Association Action, if Neces-

5:00 p.m.-Adjournment.

EVENING a—Committee Meetings, ad lib. b—Viewing Exhibits—West Lounge. c—Entertainment—Beach Walk.

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 1936

(In Michigan Room)

MORNING SESSION-9:30 to 12:30

(A Closed Meeting for Active NMMA Members Only) President Louis S. Vagnino, presiding

9:00 a.m.-Registration (continued).

Reports of Committees:

a-Membership b-Auditing c-Nominating d-Resolutions

e-Special

Review of Reports-Action. Election 1936-1937 Directors.

Directors' Luncheon Meeting-12:45 to 2:00 (In Berwyn Room)

a—Organization
b—Election of Officers
c—Appointment of Employes
d—General Action

#### AFTERNOON SESSION-2:00 to 5:00

(In Michigan Room)

Open Session-All Convention Registrants Welcome Vice President Joseph Freschi, presiding

2:00 p.m.-Call to Order. Review of Action Taken at Morning Session-

Announcement of 1936-1937 Officers.

—Address, "Macaroni Merchandising Through Eyes of Retailers"—H. C. Petersen, Secretary-Man-ager of National Association of Retail Grocers.

Address, "Macaroni Merchandising Through Eyes of Wholesalers"—J. Frank Grimes, President Independent Grocers' Alliance Distributing Co. Discussion.

4:30 p.m.—New Business.

Presentation of 1936-1937 President.

5:00 p.m.-Final Adjournment.

EVENING-7:30 to 1:00 (In Michigan Room)

7:30 p.m.-Annual Dinner-Dance and Entertainment. (NMMA Doing the Honors)

Toastmaster....Robert Bowen Brown Toaster ..... Arthur F. Brieze

Music - Entertainment - Dancing

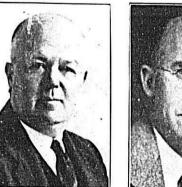




JOSEPH FRESCHI, V. P.



G. G. HOSKINS



M. J. DONNA, Secretary

M. DE MATTEL Director

The National Macaroni Manufacturers association, the only known organization of macaroni-noodle manufacturers in the United States that is national in scope and representation, celebrated the completion of 32 years of continuous, successful representation of the Macaroni-Noodle Manufacturing Industry in April

Shortly after the opening of the 20th century, leaders in the Alimentary Paste industry as it was then known, began to feel the need of some sort of an organization to protect the many interests of a growing industry. Stronger and stronger grew the opinions of the several score of operators in the country's new indus-(new to Americans but old to Europeans), that the infant trade had made sufficient ad vancement to warrant the organization and he maintenance of a voluntary group to look after the more general affairs of the business— matters that individuals found impractical, inconvenient or impossible to attend to alone.

A small, privately owned and well edited trade paper had been in existence for a year espousing the macaroni men's cause, thus solidifying the growing sentiment in favor of a national organization. As a result a general call to conference went out to nearly three score manufacturers then constituting the industry, inviting them to a general conference in Pittsburgh, Pa. That was in 1904.

Though only 20 of the more progressive and association-minded manufacturers responded to the roll call made April 19, 1904 at the Lincoln hotel, Pittsburgh, the first national organization of the Macaroni-Noodle Industry of America was formed. It assumed the long, unwieldy name of THE NATIONAL ASSO-CIATION OF MACARONI AND NOODLE MANUFACTURERS OF AMERICA. On the following day, its first constitution and its first by-laws were adopted.

NATIONAL MACARONI MANUFACESS'N OFFICERS and DIRECTORS 1935-1936 ASSOCIATION RY AND RECORD

> chose THE MACARONI AND 1000 MANUFACTURERS JOURNAL.
> owned by the late Fred Becker of the and was edited by E. C. Forbes Cleveland, who was named as the tion's first secretary, serving fron 19

As its Official Organ, the new organ

Though only 20 firms were officially to sented at the first national gathering of roni-noodle makers, the National asso actually started with a membership of tive Members and 4 Associate Me Eleven prominent manufacturers offered membership and support by mailing ap tions, anxious to be enrolled as Charter bers of the national body that was to a the industry's spokesman.

The fee of admission was \$10. Annual were only \$5.

A review of the Charter Members i erally interesting. Firms that were conce in concerted action nearly a generation are still, many of them, very active and tous right now.

Five (5) firms have retained practicall broken their memberships throughout t years. In alphabetical order they are:

Crescent Macaroni and Cracker Cor Davenport, Iowa represented at the first vention by Oswald Schmidt.

Minnesota Macaroni Company Minn, represented then by F. X. Moosbru The Pfaffman Egg Noodle Company, O land, O. for which Fred Becker was sp

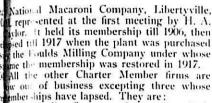
Peter Rossi & Sons, Braidwood, Ill. sented by Henry D. Rossi.
A. Zerega's Sons, Brooklyn, N. Y.

sented by Frank L. Zerega and by Thom Poomey.

Three Charter Member firms are now sented in the National Association thro their successors in business, only one of has held continuous membership through the 32 years. They are:

Lorenz Brothers Macaroni Compan waukee, Wis. represented at the organi meeting by J. R. Lorenz. It was pure by Tharinger Brothers in 1912 and the bership has been continued since through

Tharinger Macaroni Company, Maull Prothers, St. Louis, Mo. rep at the first convention by Charles Mat retained its membership till 1910, tien mitted it to lapse until the business va and the membership resumed in 19.2 the name of the Faust Macaroni Co.



f. F. Mueller Company, Jersey City, N. J. presented at the 1904 convention by C. F. beller Membership was allowed to lapse in 31, was restored for 1934 and 1935, and its newal is now pending. Michigan Macaroni Company, Detroit, Mich.

ose representative was Oscar M. Springer. mbership ceased in 1914 through a change its ownership.

John B. Canepa & Co., Chicago, Ill. which nt no personal representative to the organi-tion meeting. It held its membership conwously till 1935; renewal now pending.

Of the four Associate Members on the charlist, none is now enrolled as all now exist separate business entities.

ohn A. S. Piccardo of B. Piccardo, Pittsrgh, Pa. was the first convention's tempoy chairman and E. C. Forbes of Cleveland temporary secretary. The latter was also editor of The Macaroni and Noodle Manuturers Journal whose editorial work helped promote the first national gathering of caroni men.

Cooperative Competition" was the theme of first meeting. Thomas P. Toomey of A. Zerega's Sons,

oklyn was elected the first president of the organization.

te others on the organization's first staff icers were: rst Vice President, Oscar M. Springer of

thgan Macaroni Company, Detroit, econd Vice President, Ernesto Bisi of ited States Macaroni Factory, Carnegie, Pa. reasurer, Fred Becker of Pfaffman Egg dle Co., Cleveland.

ecretary, E. C. Forbes, editor of the Macaand Noodle Manufacturers Journal, Cleve-

or 15 years the association carried on in a way but did much to help along the ng industry. The World war years did h to convince the leaders of the need of a pager organization and the employment of mai ent secretary to earry on the associawork between conventions. Under the rshi of James T. Williams of the Cream-Company, Minneapolis, Minn. who was



J. I. MAIER, Director

the national organization.

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In January 1920 the National Macaroni

The National Macaroni Manufacturers Asso-

years of service to the trade. As naturally

might be expected its highest membership was

conferred on all firms that contributed to the

support of the Macaroni Code Authority. The

next highest peak year was in 1931 when most

of the leading firms joined in a national maca-

1930 when 80 macaroni manufacturers were

Before its reorganization in 1919 the low

point of Active Memberships was in 1910

when only 19 macaroni-noodle manufacturers

paid regular dues. After its reorganization,

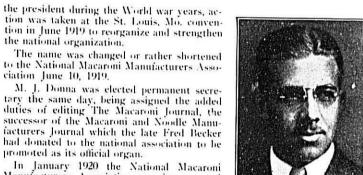
the Association's poorest membership year was

in 1923, when the enrollment fell off to 38

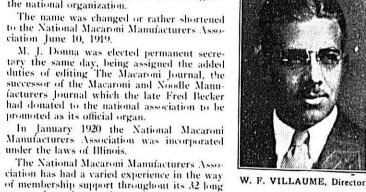
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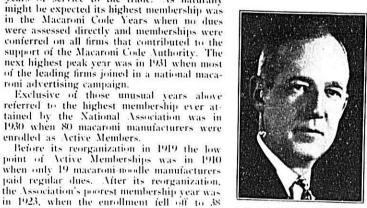


L. G. TUJAGUE, Director

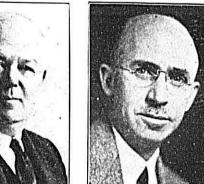


W. F. VILLAUME, Director





P. E. WINEBRENER, Director



R. B. BROWN, Director



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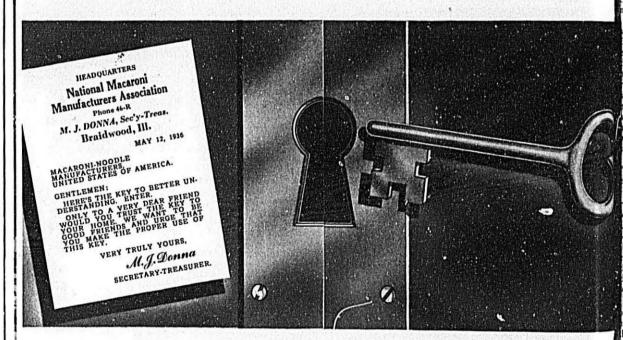
MACARONI-NOODLE MANUFACTURERS and FRIENDLY ALLIED TRADESMAN

at the

# National Conference of the Macaroni Manufacturing Industry of America

EDGEWATER BEACH HOTEL, CHICAGO

JUNE 15-16, 1936



# Here's the Key to Better Understanding

You are invited to cooperate with the leaders in the trade in...

- 1. Studying the Needs of the Industry.
- 2. Solving the Common Problems of the Trade.
- 3. Agreeing on Co-ordinated Action for Trade Betterment.

Your Help Will Be Appreciated

#### Editor Praises Spaghetti

Rarely do editors of newspapers go into such raptures of joy and satisfaction over food as has the "big boss" of the Clinton (Ind.) Clintonion (May 18, 555, ever that increasingly popular lish of well cooked and properly seasoned spaghetti. His pean of joy is pleasing music to the ears of all manufacturers of this food.

#### In Praise of Spaghetti

A certain satisfaction comes to a man who has at last found that for which he has searched most of his life. It can lie back in an easy chair and igh blissfully, lulled by the knowledge hat just around the corner lie the leven Cities of Cibola or whatever it may have been that he sought.

Now the editor has never seen the bores of sunny Italy. Neither did his after nor his father before him. Legards relate that his ancestors were vicinis of mistaken identity and were run out of Ireland with the snakes. But regardless of that there lurks in his oul a great love for spaghetti . . . oot that sickly mixture of spaghetti and tomatoes that one buys in cans, but the full bodied product, piled high with sauce and snowed under with the

rongest of grated chese.
"What of it," someone mumbles.
If you like it so well, why don't you
at it?"

And there my friends is where the ub comes in. Spaghetti fit for Musolini himself is not as plentiful in these
Jaited States as it might be. You may
earch in vain through 999 cities out of
000 the size of Clinton and not locate
wen one whiff of good old parmesan
heese. You can always find so-called
hili, maybe even a little goulash, but
eldom spaghetti.

So it's small wonder that Clinton rought a warming glow to the editor's eart, from the first spaghetti sign at he west end of the bridge to the last ne on North Ninth street. He had ound the end of the rainbow. Here was enough spaghetti to last a life

He has found by careful research the past few weeks that it is possible to practically live on spaghetti and sufer no ill effects, if one is careful to any his diet with ravioli now and then. You may eat spaghetti until you are full of it, but you can never eat it until you are tired of it.

Yes, depressions may come and go, the mines may open and close, the New the may come in and may be kicked at, but Clinton will still have its aghetti and as long as it has that, uttons like the overworked editor ill be content.

It wouldn't be so boring if those ho speak of taking life seriously honsily stated that they take themselves mously.

#### Macaroni, a Nutritious Cereal

Literally, there is no end to the interesting food facts that might be told about cereals . . . facts that would greatly increase our regard for the various grains and add to our files many new ways in which to use them.

The average housewife, even many of our smartest women said the author of this article, one of Texas' leading dietitians, does not realize, for example that there are numerous sizes and shapes of macaroni products always available in every market. This is a 100% grain food, one unusually suitable for people of all ages and capable of so many delightful, appetizing combinations that one never tires of serving and the family of enjoying a meal of this managery.

meal of this wonderful grain food.

Nor does she or they always place credit for the creation of macaroni where it belongs...not to the Asiatics, though many credit the Cermans with importing the secret of macaroni making into Europe. However it is to the Italians that the lovers of spaghetti are indebted for its development throughout the dark ages and the presentation of the modern culinary art to us moderns.

A word of general warning to buyers of macaroni, spaghetti, etc., other than to the Italian shoppers,—buy only the highest quality at a cost of only a cent or two higher than the many low grades of flour macaroni now being offered. You'll get many times in food value and satisfaction for the extra pennies invested in good macaroni.

#### ARE WE TRULY SOLD?

It is all very well for us to claim that we are fully sold on our propositions, but the claim that we are does not hold water if there is definite evidence to the contrary.

Surely no salesman can claim to be fully sold on his proposition if his expectancy is that prospects will not buy rather than that they will buy. A salesman who gets discouraged will contend that he does so because sales are not forthcoming as readily and as abundantly as he feels they should be, but isn't it more likely that his discouragement has its inception in the fact that he is not sufficiently sold on his proposition?

We need to be so fully sold on our proposition that nothing can unsell us. The fully sold salesman doesn't decide that the prospect he has been trying to sell for fifteen minutes can't be sold. He goes on confident that the prospect who isn't sold in the first fifteen minutes will be sold in a second fifteen minutes. He isn't impressed by a series of turndowns. He stays sold in spite of them, and therefore makes as good a presentation after a number of such turndowns as he does after having the exhilaration of having made

#### Love and Honour Bread: Despise and Waste Not

The statement of "Il Duce" Mussolini, premier of Italy, first made on the occasion of the International Exhibition of Bread Making Machinery and Accessories held several years ago, is still timely and surely interesting enough to bear repetition. It reads:

ITALIANS!

LOVE BREAD—(the term BREAD is meant to include Italy's famous favorite—Alimentary Pastes)—love bread, for 'tis the heart of the home, breath of the board and joy of the hearth.

HONOUR BREAD, for 'tis the glory of the field, the fragrance of the earth and a feast of life.

DESPISE NOT BREAD, for 'tis the sweat of the brow, the husbandman's pride, a poem of self offering.
WASTE NOT BREAD, for 'tis the

Country's wealth, God's sweetest gift and highest guerdon of man's toil.

There is your answer to the oft asked question of "How it is that Italy consumes fifty pounds of macaroni products per capita per year while in the United States the consumption does not exceed five pounds per person annually?"—Editor.

#### Spaghetti Great Success or Messy Mess

About every so often we must refresh our memories on the subject of spaghetti. Of course, if we are of Italian parentage, that is no problem. We do it rather naturally. But if we are Swedsh or English or what not in the matter of ancestry, we much reducate ourselves. Spaghetti is either a great success or it is a "messy mess." But there is no reason why spaghetti should be short of perfect every time. Here are the simple rules:

Don't stint on the quality. Tell your grocer to see to it that you get the finest obtainable. For four servings, you will need about a pound to a pound and a half.

Cook spaghetti in a large kettle, using plenty of water. For enough for four or five people an 8 to 12 quart kettle is fine. Fill it with water and bring the water to a boil, adding a heaping teaspoon of salt. When the water is boiling, put the spaghetti in, but do not break it up. Let it boil rapidly for 15 to 20 minutes. It should be tender but not "mushy." Italians tell by pinching a bit of it, when it is done. Most Italians like it some what firm-"a dente" -so that it must be bitten through with the teeth. When done, drain well. Place the spaghetti in a large bowl and add plenty of good butter-a quarter to a half pound is not too much. Parmesan cheese may be grated over now or when serving. It may be eaten only with butter and cheese or any one of the well known Italian sauces may be added when serving.

#### International Trade in Macaroni Products

According to the Monthly Summary of Foreign Commerce published by the Bureau of Foreign & Domestic Com-merce for March 1936, both the importation and exportation of macaroni roducts showed increases.

#### Imports

Imports increased during March 1936 to 99,062 lbs. valued at \$8,050 as com-pared with 68,285 lbs. worth \$5,452 for February 1936.

During the first three months of 1936 there was a total importation of 297,026 lbs. worth \$24,849.

#### Exports

For the month of March 1936 the exports totaled 172,953 lbs. bringing American exporters \$14,455 as co pared with the total exported in February to 151,999 lbs. worth \$12,298.

For the first three months of 1936 the exports amounted to 524,996 lbs. of American made macaroni products with a value of \$43.817.

Below is a list of the countries to which this foodstuff was exported during March 1936; also the quantity

Countries	Pounds
Azores and Madeira Islands	80
Netherlands	5.038
United Kingdom	6,600
Canada	50,577
British Honduras	1,448
Costa Rica	516
Guatemala	436
Honduras	1,504
Nicaragua	778
Panama	22,861
Salvador	96
Mexico	20,752
Newfoundland and Labrador	1,956
Bermuda Barbados	96
Iamaica	51
Jamaica Other British West Indies	564
Cuba	19,006
Dominican Republic	3,520
Netherland West Indies	4,948
Haiti, Republic of	3.872
Ecuador	80
British Guiana	200
Venezuela	172
British Malaya	416
Ceylon	12
China	1,344
Netherland India	615
Hong Kong	676 600
Philippine Islands	21.198
Siam	36
Other Asia	702
Australia	90
French Oceania	1,446
Union of South Africa	382
Total	172,953
Insular Possessions	

 Hawaii
 87,293

 Puerto Rico.
 44,346

 Virgin Islands.
 1,848

#### Oregon Proud of Its Macaroni Industry

It may be that westerners are more proud of their industries than are people in other sections where macaroninoodle plants are more numerous, or it may be that they have learned to appreciate the value of publicity. Whatever the reason Oregon papers are not stingy in their praises of their food factories. Here's evidence in the form of an article that was carried by the *Trade News* of Portland, Ore. last

#### Porter-Scarpelli Factory Largest of Kind on Coast

Few people realize the scope of a macaroni factory, particularly Porter-Scarpelli, 3510 N.E. Broadway, Portland, Or. The history of the Porter-Scarpelli company's progress proves very interesting. Beginning from a very small factory employing but a handful of people and distributing its products themselves to a very small number of outlets, Porter-Scarpelli has grown to the largest macaroni factory of its kind on the Pacific coast, whose products are now sold not only on the coast but in the entire Pacific north-

The various steps in the improved packaging of macaroni have been led by Porter. The use of cellophane and individual package insert labels was innovated for macaroni products by Porter's. The introduction of Porter's Fril-lets with the wavy edges that prevent this product from "slipping off the fork" was the result of careful study and experimentation by Porter-Scar-pelli. Everywhere throughout the large territory that it covers almost 100 per cent distribution is found.

Porter's products in the main are made from 100 per cent Grade A-1 durum semolina. To the layman this perhaps needs explanation. Durum semolina is the heart of the finest wheat grown. There are many different grades of this product, comparable to the grades of milk. Grade A-1 durum semolina means that there is no finer product of this kind produced. Many of Porter's products contain nothing but this premium ingredient. Others have special blends depending upon the use to which the product is

The Porter factory has been enlarged several times in recent years to care for the increased volume which this business has enjoyed even during the depression. The interior of the plant is sparkingly clean. Every attendant is neatly uniformed, and each process amazingly sanitary. Porter-Scarpelli employs an average of over 50 persons regularly, and the plant is open for inspection at any time.

thoughts if we had more zestful getting after ourselves thoughts.

## Macaroni - Noodles Trade Mark Bureau

A review of Macaroni-Noodle Trade Marks registered or passed for early registration

In this connection the National Macaroni Manufacturers Association offers all manufac-turers Free Advisory Service, including a free advanced search by the National Trade Mark Company, Washington, D. C. on any Trade Mark that one contemplates adopting or resistering r registering.

All Trade Marks should be registered, iossible. None should be adopted until properarch is made. Address all communication

#### Patents and Trade Marks

A monthly review of patents granted of macaroni machinery, of applications for an registration of trade marks applying to macaroni products. In May 1936 the following were reported by the U. S. Patent Office:

Patents granted—None.

#### TRADE MARK REGISTRATIONS RENEWED

The trade mark registered by A. Goodm & Sons, Inc., New York, N. Y. was grant renewal privileges effective April 18, 1936.

#### TRADE MARKS APPLIED FOR

Three applications for registration of macroni trade marks were made in May 1936 at published by the Patent Office to permit of jections thereto within 30 days of publication

#### Phillips

The private brand trade mark of Phillip Packing Co., Inc., Cambridge, Md. for us on canned spaghetti and other groceries. At plication was filed Jan. 13, 1936 and published May 12, 1936. Owner claims use since 192 The trade name is in shaded outlined type.

#### Broadway Special

The private brand trade mark of Salesmet Grocery Corporation, Buffalo, N. Y. for u on macaroni and other groceries. Applicate was filed Sept. 21, 1935 and published May 1936. Owner claims use since Sept. 16, 19. The trade name is written in heavy type.

#### Kingan's Reliable

The private brand trade mark of Kingan Co., Inc., Indianapolis, Ind. for use on me loaf with cheese, macaroni and pimiento Application was filed Aug. 8, 1934 and publish May 26, 1936. Owner claims use since Apr 17, 1934. The trade mark is in black letter

#### Beech-Nut

The title "Beech-Nut" was registered M 12, 1936 by Beech-Nut Packing Compa Canajoharie, N. Y. for use on spaghetti. / plication was published March 30, 1936 a given registration number 47474.

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We'd have less mournful after- straight. The bible doesn't say the money is the root of evil. It say "Love of money is the root of evi

Est. 1851

EL BEEFE

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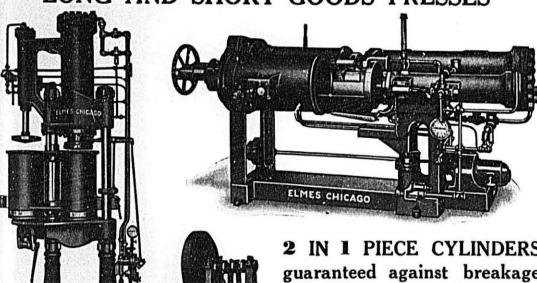


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# NOTES OF THE INDUSTRY

#### Kept Macaroni a Secret

"Believe it or not"—here's another macaroni origin story. The proper word might be "development" rather than origin, but the story is interesting read-ing to both manufacturers and consum-

"Naples was the center of macaroni manufacture for so many years that the Pompeiian road leading into it was broken to bits by the continuous procession of wagons and trucks hauling in hard wheat and flour, says the European Cookbook for American Homes. process for making macaroni was kept secret until the 14th century, when a Frenchman got hold of it and took it back to France with him."

#### Macaroni in House of Health

Selected as one of the best of health foods, macaroni products were used in the construction of a miniature house of health in connection with the preliminary events of the Texas Centennial which opened this month. Here's a news item which was illustrated with

"A House of Health," made by the East Texas group of the Lehigh county rural women, formed one of the many attractive exhibits at the group's spring rally in the Y. M. C. A. assembly hall recently. Stuccoed in oatmeal, the house with its chimney of dates, porch roof edged in halved carrots, with quartered oranges as window awnings, boasted even of window drapes formed of let-tuce leaves and a shredded wheat door mat. A potted green plant of spinach, a 'cobble' walk of carrot slices edged with raisins, a pond banked with grapenuts and raisins, with almond fish and date-raisin turtle, and a flower bed of grapenuts with greens of asparagus, parsley, curley celery, complete the mas-terpiece. The lettering, 'A House of Health,' is done with alphabet maca-

#### Install High-Speed Presses

The Minnesota Macaroni company, St. Paul, Minn. has recently installed two high-speed macaroni presses ac-cording to information in the press of the state capital. The new presses will have a capacity of six times that of the presses displaced by this modern machin-

#### Overlook Macaroni

Early last month thieves entered a warehouse owned by the Kansas City Macaroni and Importing company at 562 Campbell st., Kansas City, Mo., and stole over 400 pounds of imported cheese and

50 cases of olive oil, estimated at nearly \$1000 in value, reports the Kansas City Star of May 2, 1936. Entrance was gained by breaking two locks off a rear window. No macaroni was stolen

#### Routine Macaroni Prices Prevail

The large macaroni market of Greater New York showed little activity during May and prices remained quite level throughout the month.

The average prices were as follows: On 20-lb. boxes, Italian style—\$1.30

On flour goods of 20-lb. boxes-\$1.00

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#### Macaroni Firms Are Creditors

In the voluntary petition in bankruptcy filed last month in the Federal Court of New York by Morris Loew, a grocer at 2059 First av., New York, two Mount Vernon macaroni firms were named as creditors. They are: Westchester Macaroni Company, Inc. of Mac-Questen parkway, amount \$195.05 and the United Macaroni Company, Inc. of 202 West Third st., amount \$100.80.

#### Form Credit Union

Thomas J. Viviano, treasurer of the Kentucky Macaroni company, Louisville, Ky. was elected president of the Ken-Mac Credit Union formed last month. Other officers elected were Edward Hinton, vice president; Tom Giardina, treas-urer; Mary E. Lynch, secretary and Vincent Bundschu, member of the board of directors.

Members of the credit committee of the union were elected as follows: A. J. Palazzolo, Marvin Bolling and Margaret French; of the supervisory committee, B. M. Costigan, Albert Likens and Frank Granada.

#### Judgment Against Noodle Firm

The New York Journal of Commerce of May 16, 1936 lists among other judg-ments entered May 15, 1936 the following news of interest to the macaroni manufacturing trade:

Judgment against the Dock Chong Noodle Manufacturing company, El-dridge st., New York city of \$7,673.00 in favor of J. Chillinger of the same

#### Form New Cicero Firm

The press of Chicago reports the formation of a new macaroni manufacturing firm in the village of Cicero, a suburb of Chicago. The organizers are Egisto Miangiatini, C. Pucci and A. J. Gagliardo, with offices at 4820 West 16th st. It will be operated under the covered.

name of the Cicero Macaroni Manufacturing company. Its capital stock cosists of 500 common shares of non pa value, mostly owned by the incorpora by the Bologna Macaroni company the same address.

#### Opens Small Plant

A small macaroni and noodle facturing plant is being opened in Jame town, Ohio by C. P. Snyder of Dayto Ohio. Equipment is being establishe to manufacture not only a small qu of macaroni products daily but al sorghum molasses, and to take care canning needs of that vegetable fruit growing locality. About 20 posons will be employed during the bu

#### Italia Plans Annex

To meet the growing needs for m production and drying space to mo readily and regularly supply an ev increasing demand for its products, Italia Macaroni company, or the Biand Macaroni company as it is sometime called, of 53 Norfolk st., Worcester Mass. is planning an addition, one storbrick, 60 by 104 feet, with concretoundation. This firm's products enjoy a fine reputation and a wide si throughout Massachusetts, Rhode Isla and Connecticut.

#### Cinelli Macaroni— Tacoma

It is not often that a macroni pla or even macaroni products are made s jects of editorials in newspapers. example of this form of good will that given the Cinelli Macaroni con pany of Tacoma, Wash. by the Wo Coast Trade of that city of May 1, 193 Its editorial follows:

#### Cinelli Macaroni a Product of Quality

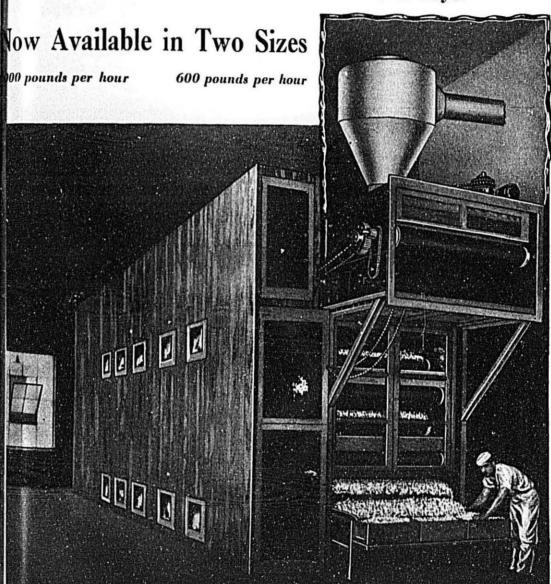
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# Secrets of Successful Trade Marking

## New Pattern of Design Protection Spells Security for Trade Marks

Perhaps not all members of the macaroni-noodle circle have noticed that since last we wrote things have been happening at Washington in respect to the legal protection of designs in industry. The whole subject has been opened with a vengeance in hearings before the Committee on Patents of the U. S. House of Representatives. Hearings inspired chief-ly by the arrival in the lower House of Congress of the Duffy bill which slipped through the Senate before business forces awoke to realization that this General Copyright Revision Bill has a string to it in the form of the Vandenberg amendment which opens a wide door for monopolies of original ornamental designs.

Even if he heard this shooting and shouting at the capitol the average macaroni-noodle marketer might be inclined to let it pass in one ear and out the other. The news that the if-when-what of design protection has suddenly become a controversial issue may have left cold the bystander in this trade. Just as a macaroni-noodle partisan may have seen nothing to get excited over in the concurrent news of a sudden increase— amounting to a boost of 25 per cent—in the number of applications for patents on design. Unless the macaroni-noodle packer looks to design certification to entrench him in possession of unique packages, or styles and shapes of his product, he may not have sensed the face that he holds a hand in this design game, like it or not.

The contact is indirect rather than direct. Straightaway the sole approach of the macaroni-noodle interest is via the jurisdiction of design protective machin-ery over distinctive forms or outlines of goods, or the molds or models of the consumer-containers in which the goods are packed. But roundabout, there is an roclaimed community of interest, owing to the influence upon brands or trade marks of any change in the mediums and methods of design protection. And that, if you please, is the nub of the spot news at Washington. Out of the lively debate over ways and means of establishing private property rights in new or novel designs has emerged, with formidable endorsement, a formula of design protec-tion that seems bound to have important reaction upon the twin responsibility of finding sustained security for trade marks—whether or not said trade marks are part of distinctive package designs.

Industry-by-industry regulation of designs is the unofficial designation for this new pattern that bids fair to affect the whole structure of industrial property protection. There is no pretense, mind you, that this recipe is a wholly new conBy WALDON FAWCETT Written Expressly for

the Macaroni Journal S

ception of policing power, picked out of thin air. For several years past groups here and there on the industrial map have been feeling their way in experiments with mutual insurance schemes for industrial designs. Dissatisfied for one reason or another with the facilities afforded by the United States system of Design Patents these revolutionists have been endeavoring to work out some honor system whereby all hands in a given trade or line, would bind themselves to

mutually respect each other's designs.

The change that is now on the horizon as a result of the showdown at Washington is one of scope and volume of sup-port rather than of inception of a stunt heretofore unknown. In the beginning the first or emergency version of the scheme of design-zoning was an escape induced by despair. In certain branches of the textile industry—notably in the silk branch,—and later in sections of the ready-to-wear apparel trade, the users of creative designs were driver, to dis-traction by the manner in which their hard-won innovations in design were pirated by unscrupulous copy cats. Impa-tient of the costs and delays of patent-ing, the victims in desperation gradually worked out within-the-family devices for enforcement of codes of ethics with respect to priorities in design. When NRA came along it took this ritual to itself and improved upon it. But even before code authorities were thought of a few act in behalf of trade marks, espec groups were operating private registra-tion bureaus for designs.

All this spotty regimentation made scarcely a ripple on the broad surface awaken solicitude for trade mark of business, albeit the pattern employed was in many respects reminiscent of what various progressive trade associations had already accomplished by means of cooperative trade mark registration bureaus. Granted then, that the fundamental idea of an intraindustrial registration bureau is no spring chicken, what is the fresh thrill in the present experience? Well there are several. Concerned more with the acceptance of the principle of decentralization-in-registration than with any modification or elaboration of the pattern of procedure.

The sharpest surprise comes from the sudden surrender to the theory of industry-by-industry regulation by trade groups that have not yet been converted to allotment of exclusive rights in de-

signs. There are quite a few indus groups in this category. The glass tainer clan for example. Affecting feel no need in their own environ for hourding pet designs, they have a class registration bureaus. And want none of that medicine today,themselves. But confronted by a di sition in Congress to invoke for all dustry a system of design segregat this opposition has suddenly switche an endorsement of the industrydustry discipline, for the other fellow

Another radical new aspect of present picture is supplied by the circ stance that it is now proposed at Wington that the machinery of industry registration shall be su ardized, and that the machinery of ministration shall have the Federal ernment behind it. With sanction of pervision by Uncle Sam, if not a operation, Governmental backing of course add tremendously to the tige of any registration bureau for signs or any other species of industry property. More than that, the authorative note in the setup (even with actual compulsion from Washing would tend to cause a much larger portion of an industry to comply in faith with a voluntary gentl agreement for observance of property rights. Indeed the brief perience of the NRA interlude wa revelation of he pressure is cond to a 100 per cent lineup.

Here's hoping that the reader found already in this brief survey tain suggestions of how the new unregistered trade marks. More all else though, the cultivation of a s emphasizing what might be termed tion-value. By and large the plo industry-by-industry delegation of signs contemplates short-term franch To be sure each industry can do sees fit in putting time limits on chises. But for the most part the position is that accredited designs be fenced off for, say one, two or years. Acquaintance with this pretion for brief monopoly is all but tain to impress every trade mark of with the importance of his brand i which, unlike a fleeting style or fa in design is for time and eternit merits appropriate permanent for tions against invasion.

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ularity there comes one admonition against excess of enthusiasm. The Federal Trade Commission has just served warning that collaborators for protection of industrial property dast not enforce their demands by means of boycotts or black lists. Making a test case of its challenge to the Fashion Originators Guild of America the Trade Commission has let it be known that it will construe as "conspiracy" in restraint of trade any coercion or compulsion to shut off supplies of goods to interests that do not play cricket in respect to proprietary rights in designs, etc. This interference by the Trade Commission is already quickening the demand that Uncle Sam shall join up for active partnerships with the individual industries that seek an ideal of live-and-let-live protection by common consent and concert of action.

#### Rossotti Planning Exhibit

The Rossotti Lithographing Company, Inc., New York city, one of the well known designers and manufacturers of macaroni labels and folding cartons will have a most elaborate display of macaroni and egg noodle cartons and labels at the Macaroni Manufacturers Convention at the Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicago, June 14-16, 1936.

The exhibit will be set up in the West Lounge of the popular hotel, available alike to the manufacturers who will be interested in the packaging suggestions and to the public that will appreciate the many forms of macaroni products and their careful packaging. This particular exhibit will be in direct charge of Charles Rossotti, vice president of the company and he will be assisted by D. W. Killip, the firm's Chicago district manager. They also plan to have with them a member of the Packaging Jury and a renowned designer with whom manufacturers may discuss their packaging problems.

may discuss their packaging problems.

"Because of the ever increasing interest in modern packaging of macaroni and egg noodle products," says Charles Rossotti, "our firm has done everything possible to make the display not only the most complete and the most elaborate but also educational. Packages of macaroni manufacturers, of wholesalers and of distributors from coast to coast will be on display, giving macaroni-noodle manufacturers who attend the convention a birdseye view of the trend in the macaroni and egg noodle packages and labels as they are being adopted throughout the

The Rossotti Lithographing Company, Inc. invites visiting macaroni and noodle manufacturers to make their downtown headquarters at the Chicago offices at 620 N. Michigan av. while in the convention city.

What is desirable is quite generally longed for, but not so generally worked for.

# MACARONI VIEW

A review of current public and expert opinions on the food value of Macaroni, Spaghetti and Egg Noodles and recommended uses thereof.

Foods With Many Possible Dish
Combinations

By Prudence Penny in Omaha Bee-News, May 19, 1936

Spaghetti, macaroni and egg noodles have been fitly termed the energy trio, for all of them are economical, delicious and healthful sources of energy and should be used frequently in our spring

Each one of these pastes, as they are called, is most versatile and may be used in many food combinations, but egg noodles are the most outstanding, for they may be used for main course dishes, soups and salads as are the others, but they also may be used as a breakfast dish and in the making of puddings

dish and in the making of puddings.

Noodles have an individuality of their
own. They contain eggs as well as flour

and water, while the other products not. They are definitely a nourish food and a fair supply kept on a kitchen shelf at all times will be a go help in planning the daily family mer and also quickly prepared dishes for a expected guests.

Fried noodles are first cooked untender in boiling salted water the drained, first using a strainer, then a soft cloth. Melt all-purpose vegeta margarine in a frying pan, add the draincodles and fry slowly until a lip brown. Then they may be served plaseasoned with salt and pepper as accompaniment to meats of variations, or creamed foods may be senover them.

Then followed four appropriate refeaturing noodles. Among the recipes cially recommended are: "Noodle I "Spinach With Noodles," "Ham Noodles "Cabbage With Noodles."

#### Spaghetti Cooking Important

Many a dish of what should be good spaghetti is spoiled by improper cooking, and more often by using inferior grades of so-called macaroni products. That is the opinion of Jacqueline Frost, domestic science expert of a chain of newspapers. It is a timely warning in this day of many low grade products being offered "at a price."

Macaroni products are cheap, even at the highest price asked for them. Housewives should not be fooled by the small differential in the price of good and inferior spaghetti, which is never more than a few cents per pound. Buy from a reputable manufacturer. Insist on recognized brands of standard quality and you will have solved the big problem in the successful serving of this economical, nutritious food. But let's go on with Miss Frost's recommendations that might profitably be passed on to old and prospective consumers:

Spaghetti yardage has been increasing of late if numerous telephone calls and letters clamoring for new recipes for this splendid, inexpensive food are any criterion.

The quality of spaghetti, like that of macaroni and noodles, depends primarily upon the wheat used rather than upon the country where the products are manufactured. Pastes made from durum wheat break sharply without splintering when snapped between the fingers. These keep their shape during the cooking.

Spaghetti is often coo!ed in the European way—in long, unbroken lengths. If the ends are dipped in the water in which it is to cook, they will son or bend so that the entire mass may submerged gradually and coiled until the boiling water to which two teaspot salt are added for each quart. It rapidly until tender—usually not mathan 15 minutes. Avoid overcookin especially if spaghetti is to be reheat in a sauce.

For spaghetti, Italian style, buy parade by a reliable Italian manufacture. About 1¼ pounds to 1¼ pounds will sufficient for four persons. Use a larkettle—8 to 10 quart size—for, the matter used, the better the spaghed Drain over colander but do not make the cold water.

Turn into a large bowl and add a crous quantity of butter (almost pound) and 2 or 3 handfuls grammesan cheese. Mix well. This is be seasoned only with cheese and be or Italian sauces may be added Swith additional parmesan cheese.

#### General Mills Announce Promotions

Mr. James F. Bell, Chairman of Board, has announced the election Mr. J. S. Hargett of Oklahoma GOklahoma, to the directorate of Gent Mills, Inc.

Mr. Bell further announced the claim of Mr. Arthur M. Hartwell Minneapolis, Walter R. Barry of Minapolies, and L. N. Perrin of Chicago, the office of vice president of Gene Mills, Inc., and the election of Mr. Witer Mills of Minneapolis, as a member the Operating Board of General Mills.

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#### **Business Men Fight** and Win a Point

By J. E. Jones

Washington, D. C .- The first 105 business men who appeared as witnesses before the Senate finance committee were all opposed to the plan to impose a tax on undistributed earnings.

Business men have been active and outspoken at conventions, conferences, and at public hearings before Congress, commissions and bureaus in Washington. The nation's local and metropolitan newspapers have backed up the business men of the country in denouncing the latest fantastic scheme of Federal taxation. A few special guests at the White House were among those who expressed opposition to the messy provisions of the tax bill that had been ammed through the lower House. Public opinion was aroused against more political "cracking down" on in-

dustry.

The Senate had not gone far in trying to revise the hodgepodge House bill before its members became convinced that the whole country was tired of this unjust war against every business man or corporation, that has succeeded in putting aside a few dollars for improvements through which

more persons might be employed. Senator Pat Harrison led the retreat after Chairman Jesse H. Jones of the RFC took a positive stand against the tax plan that threatened to drain the life blood from prosperous firms and corporations. Senator Byrd, democrat of Virginia, indicated that members of his party would join the republicans and independents who oppose some features of the administration bill. After that the President began to wear that knowing smile of his and no one was surprised when he sidestepped and told Congress to write its own bill.

A month ago the pleadings of business men for more common sense in government were rebuffed on Capitol Hill by politicians who talked in riddles that "we are putting human rights first." "Okeh," replied the business men, "and so are we." These thousands of business men have convinced everybody that in reflecting the viewpoints of a million other honest busi-

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ness men in every part of the nation they are right. The business men have put up a good fight and won an im-portant point. It is only the begin-

# John G. Elbs

John G. Elbs, aged 70 years, and for many years a manufacturer of macaroni products died at his home in Rochester, Y. after a long illness, April 29, 1936. He was long a member of the National Macaroni Manufacturers association while operating the Woodcock Macaroni company of his home city, which he purchased in 1919.

Mr. Elbs was a native of Austria. coming to this country with his parents as a baby. He was educated in the Rochester schools but early entered on a business career, first as a helper of his father and later in the wholesale paper business before entering the macaroni manufacturing business.

He sold out his plant during the boom years, confining his efforts to the realty business which demanded practically all his time in recent years. At his death he owned much valuable real estate in the business section and in the suburbs of Rochester.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, former director of the Rochester Club, a member of the Oak Hill Country Club, the Chamber of Com-

merce and the Community Chest Board. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Zweigle Elbs, two sisters, Mrs. William A. Grott of Rochester and Mrs. Anna Dean of New York, several nieces and

#### Fire Damages Dallas Plant

The plant of the National Macaroni company at 2616 Main st., Dallas, Texas was damaged by a small fire last month. The loss is estimated at about \$5000. This plant has long been operated by Frank S. Bonno, a director of the National Macaroni Manufacturers associa-

healthful and economical hot as

#### Fight Margarine Tax

Primarily in self protection urged by interest in all foods that be subject to similar excessive tax tion, the National Association of M garine Manufacturers is fighting en ment of the Culkins bill now bet Congress which would lay a tax of l a pound on margarine. Likewise, organization is fighting two simil bills proposed in the New York Asser bly, one in New Jersey and two Kentucky.
The objectors reason that at

present rate of consumption of the product, a tax of more than \$38,000,0 a year would be paid if the natio tax bill were enacted. The passage the New York measure would \$2,000,000 in taxes on those who margarine, which is a pure food pr uct and which is used as a spread bread and for cooking in millions homes. American homes of the lov income brackets, including an unto number on relief rolls, would pay th more than \$40,000,000 a year in din

table taxes by the enactment of the four proposed laws.

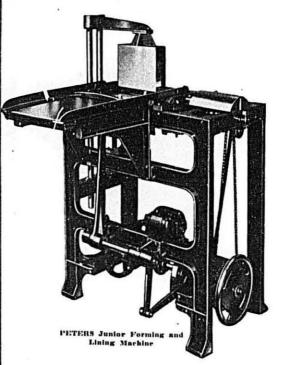
"If this type of legislation is su tained," argues Charles H. Jansse secretary-manager of the associati "no industry and no product is sa from attack. Agriculture with its gre variety of products and dependent upon the stability of many industrias well as every product industry, is the mercy of every power that c build and finance an influential a successful lobby. The consuming pr lic becomes the prey of every speci interest in power. I do not believe th the members of the food and groce trades, or the public, who have a vi interest in keeping open the avenues distribution to the consumer, will be tate to condemn and oppose legislation of this type if correctly informed in regard thereto."

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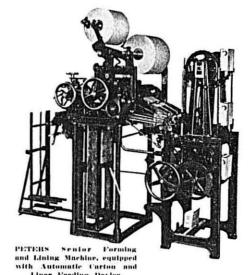
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# Adulterated Macaroni for Italy

and ground rice or ground beans to conserve wheat supply.

The people of Italy have made willingly many sacrifices in order to help Il Duce Mussolini to win his war of conquest in Ethiopia, but owing to the continuance of the sanctions against Italy restricting the importation of needed foods for home and army consumption, they are being asked to make a supreme sacrifice, to agree to an adulterated spaghetti. The con-sumption of macaroni products in Italy surpasses all nations of the world figured on a per capita basis, and that is undoubtedly due to the fact that these "macaroni pioneers" know good macaroni and demand only the best quality

The plight of these "spaghetti-lovers" is depicted by a reporter of the Chicago Tribune Press Service in the following message from rome in May 13, 1936:

#### Precautionary Measures

Premier Mussolini has realized his long cherished dream of an African empire. But that has not prevented salutions from battering with telling effect on Italy's internal economic life.

The nation has put forth a brave front before the world for the last six months, even with serious indications that the throttling grip was beginning to make itself felt

With more than 500,000 sold ers and workers in east Africa whom Il Duce

Il Duce orders mixture of semolina will have to continue feeding for some time to come, he is preoccupied over his sources of food supplies. Consequently he is taking precautionary measures. These are designed to enable him to hold out either until sanctions are called off or until such time as he can begin exploiting Ethiopia's reputed wealth and thus place his colonial forces on a nearly self supporting basis.

#### Decrees "Famine" Macaroni

Most significant of these measures is that affecting the Italian laborer's national dish-macaroni. This measure indicates that Italy's present wheat supply is inadequate to feed both the population at home and the forces in Africa as well.

Under a decree which fixes the maximum pure wheat content of macaroni at 60 per cent, Italians will soon have to give up their customary spaghetti. They will have to become accustomed to the new brownish colored variety which is to be placed on the market as soon as laboratory experiments are completed to the satisfaction of the

government.

The new "famine" spaghetti must by law be adulterated with 40 per cent of anything from ground beans to rice. The government's only requirement is that the new concoction shall taste as nearly like regular macaroni as possi-ble and that it must be capable of be-ing cooked without becoming a soggy mess. So far no manufacturer has submitted a type that will stand up to these requirements.

#### **Bag Filling Units** Str Trade Interest

Macaroni products, particularly egy noodles are being sold in ever increas-ing quantities in handy bags, either opaque or transparent. This form of packaging is most popular with the small quantity buyers and with those who are susceptible to impulse buying. To supply this growing demand

macaroni manufacturers have sought and are seeking handler and more economical methods of filling bags and already several machinery firms have developed automatic filling devices that are attracting more than ordinary attention in the trade. Several recent installations have been made, the different makes have distinct patented features to which the producers point with pride and from which so much

The Beech-Nut Package company of Canajoharie, N. Y. recently installed a bag filling unit manufactured by the Cartoning Machinery company of Newport, R. I. It is an improved type for extracting fabricated bags in the flat from a magazine, opening and forming them, and then transferring them along underneath a number of chutes, from which a pre-determined quantity of macaroni is discharged from each chute into the bag until it is filled to the exact amount required.

After being properly filled the top of the bag is folded twice to exclude air and moisture. Adhesive is then automatically applied after which the closed bag is discharged into a conveyor, which completes the operation by carrying the closed package along until the adhesive is dried and the fold securely set.
This filling unit packages macaroni

elbows, macaroni rings, short cut s ghetti and all other smaller forms macaroni products and can be operate at a speed varied to suit each produc Of these small shapes, the unit capable of filling in double-walled cell phane one-pound bags about 45 co plete packages per minute.

Unique features of this particul machine are the methods of extracting the bags from the machine and open ing them by means of a combinat of the use of vacuum and a controlle volume of air under a constant pro sure. The method of handling t product in the volume hopper is als worthy of mention. The macaroni so carefully handled in the stroking of the measuring device that little or breakage results. The method of di charging a fixed amount at a number of filling stations obviates cloggin the bag and breaking down its resi ance, allowing the contents to sett properly after each discharge.

The trend in plant equipment more and more to automatic contr of various operations that were for merly so tedious. This trend is par ticularly noticeable in the improve flour handling and flour blending ou fits, in new packaging and conveying units being installed in both old at new plants.

#### New Brush Charting Service

With a view to simplifying the correct selection of replacement brushes for motors and generators in industrial plants, mills, commercial buildings etc., The Ohio Carbon company, 1250 Berea road, Lakewood, Ohio h worked out a "Brush Charting Ser ice" which is available free on reques On analysis of past sales the compan found that 91% of all replacement of ders for "Ohio" carbon, graphite, electro-graphitic and metal-graphite brus es can be covered by about one quart of the grades generally considered no essary—the remaining three quarter being used mainly for special and ur usual applications. It therefore propared a set of charts showing the w range of uses to which these for grades were suited, with the result th an ample stock of emergency replace ments can now be carried at a fraction

of the former expense.

The charts themselves are so ma that they can be used either in a rin binder or as separate folders in the usual letter size filing drawer. As a additional feature of this free charting service the company offers, also wit out charge, a "Motor Record Book"

which a complete recor of brush sizes, rewindi jobs, etc., of each machin may be entered. A cross indexing system, main tained by the company further enables bruch placements to be order by merely giving the pag number of the partice motor record

# **GREETINGS**

AND BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION JUNE 15-16, 1936, CHICAGO

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#### Modernizes Ravioli Equipment

The manufacture of Ravioli, long a The manufacture of Ravioli, long a home or kitchen process is being commercialized on a mass production basis like all other good things, principally through the ingenuity of a food production engineer, Aurelio Tanzi of New York city who specializes on the invention and development of labor saving food machines. food machines

WHAT IS RAVIOLI? How does its production and development concern the macaroni-noodle industry?

Like macaroni and noodles, ravioli is a flour product but differs from either in that it is made with two sheets of egg dough, stuffed and sealed. The stuffing may be a choice of cooked meat or eggs well mixed with spinach, grated parmesan cheese, olive oil, parsley, nutmeg flavoring, eventually mushroom sauce and other ingredients to suit individual teste. Ravioli is then cooked, dressed, with suitable sauce and served

as is macaroni, spaghetti or noodles.

Inventor Tanzi referring to this newy commercialized food says-"RAVI-OLI! That exquisite delicacy so long listed as the 'forgotten food' due to the antiquated, slow and unsanitary method of production now steps forth into its own and on a par with other excellent

The newly invented machine for mass and B. F. Ryden of Lockport. production of ravioli consists of a dough brake and a forming unit. It is a com-

pact little outfit capable of being in-stalled in limited space and suitable for display in store or plant windows, with its accompanying public interest. The new machines are available in two sizes—one, a hand operated mechanism,

producing perfect raviolis in three sizes and a larger, motor driven machine for capacity production. They are being marketed by the Aurelio Tanzi Engineering Company, New York, N. Y.

The ATECO Ravioli machine pro-

duces ravioli at the rate of 15,000 per hour, each ravioli being uniformly filled and finished. It is expected that this machine will revolutionize the business inasmuch as it will produce quantity and quality at a fraction of the former cost over the old fashiened hand made method with its variety below from the control of the former cost over the old fashiened hand made method, with its waste, lack of uniformity and generally unappetizing appear-

#### Illinois Macaroni Company Incorporated

The Illinois Macaroni company of Lockport, Ill. was incorporated last month under the laws of Illinois to manufacture and distribute macaroni products. Its capital structure consists of 5000 shares of non par value pre-ferred stock and 7500 shares of non par value common stock. The incorporators were Frank F. Ladd, George D. Ladd

The company will operate a modern plant that has been in the process of

construction and equipment for the

#### Miss Harriet Rossi Weds

Miss Harriet Rossi, only daughte Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Rossi, Br wood, Ill, and Dr. Charles Alli Kankakee, Ill,, son of Dr. and Mrs C. Allison, Gardner, Ill, were man Saturday afternoon May 16, 1936 the Methodist Episcopal church, Bra wood. Rev. E. E. Hastings of the C tral Presbyterian church of Jolie ciated.

The bride is well known to roni-noodle manufacturers who at the annual conventions of the indi having frequently accompanied parents to these gatherings and ing once appeared on a banquet gram as an elocutionist. She i Evanston, Ill. The bridegroom well known young physician wi very good practice in Kankakee. A reception at the home of the

followed the marriage ceremony was witnessed by several hundr vited guests. After a short honey to Washington and the Eastern board, Dr. and Mrs. Allison wil side in Kankakee.

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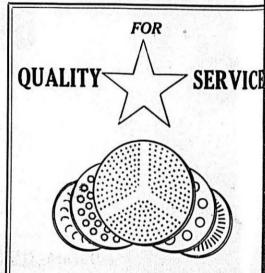
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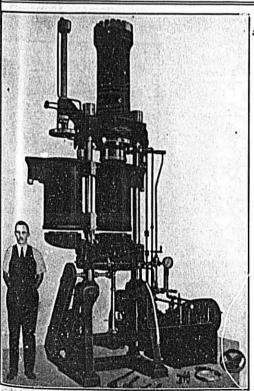
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#### Advertising Is Good Literature

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ers of goods to get together with careful buyers to mutual advantage.

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#### Hopes It Rains Like ----

A statement sometimes has more meaning than a lengthy article. That may be the proper classification of a little anonymous note sent to the secretary of the National Macaroni Manufacturers association by a durum miller, evidently a friend of the organization. Referring to the "Umbrella Cartoon" used by the National association to visualize the duty of every member of the industry toward its protective refuge, the terse note says:

"Dear Donna: Believe I recognize a couple of Durum Millers holding the umbrella? Hope it rains like h—l, if that would help conditions!!!!!!

A Sympathizer." What more need be said? Thanks, Mr. Miller.—(Editor)

#### Send It In

The editor of the National Food Dis-tributors Journal must be having the same difficulty getting news items of general interest for publication in his trade paper as does the editor of the MACARONI JOURNAL

However he has a very nice way of inviting that kind of cooperation. He says it poetically, where others might be inclined to say it more vehemently.

In case there are macaroni and noodle manufacturers who are poetically inclined, the poetic appeal of the fellow editor is reproduced herewith.

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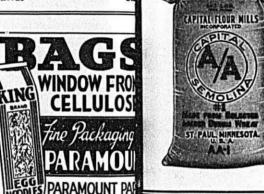
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THE SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

# Pre-Convention Thoughts

Chicago this month is on in real earnest. Leading macaroni- for the very existence against conditions, mostly of their ow noodle manufacturers are either on their way or are attending last minute duties before dashing away by automobile, affect all business. Some of them will come to the conv train or plane to be a part and parcel of this annual gettogether of the leadings minds in the trade.

trade-minded and the association-minded manufacturers and allieds. How many will gather there for the 33rd annual convention of the National Macaroni Manufacturers Association only the registration records will tell. That the list of any diabolical plot to cause them personal misery and rule will not include the names of some who should be there is but that they are merely one of the many "casualties" of taken for granted. There is always the possibility that some eral trade wars from which no one profits. well intentioned, industry-minded manufacturer will find it absolutely impossible to be present, but the big majority of the absentees will be that group in the trade that has always That will be true of the 33rd annual convention of the been content "to let George do it."

Despite the gloomy opinions of the confirmed pessimists in the trade-and there are altogether too many of these in the macaroni business for its general good-the leading macaroninoodle manufacturers, the progressive business men in the a fond hope, but out of the little talks with competitors, int trade, will see much good that can come out of such friendly views with supply men and suggestions by scheduled speaks meetings of competitors. They will not expect conditions to who are leaders in their line of business will come in be revolutionized overnight or by anything that a convention that will be of great value to all who will compose can do, because the causes of the conditions complained of memorable gathering of macaroni-noodle makers June 15

The movement toward a friendly industry conference in been undergoing trying experiences. They have been fighti tion brimful of fight. They are anxious for the opportu of "opening up" against this fellow or that thing, but alas the The Edgewater Beach Hotel will be the "mecca of all the will lose most of their courage on seeing the smiling faces of competitors and on hearing the honeyed words of supp men against whom they felt they had a personal grudge.

They will soon realize that they are not the special victin

Never has there been any assembly of macaroni-no manufacturers that did not produce some beneficial rest tional Macaroni Manufacturers Association this month in C cago. Everyone will be there ready to talk shop and will f willing listeners. All will be on pleasure and business be They will discuss the ideal situation that must ever rema 16, 1936 at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago.

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