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March 19, 1946

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Executive

Ralph W. Farris, Attorney General

Attorney General

Your memo of the 18th, attached to a letter which the Governor received from Secretary of Agriculture Anderson from Washington, D.C., is received together with the Famine Emergency Committee's Recommendation which was promulgated in Washington on March 11, 1946 in the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

After reading the letter from Secretary of Agriculture Anderson and the Emergency Committee's recommendations I will answer your question by saying that the bakers in this State can reduce the size of a loaf of bread without violating any State or local law. I have been informed that some of the bakers have already reduced the size of a loaf from 20 ounces to 18 ounces.

You further ask in your memo, What action by the Governor is necessary? I feel that the best way for the Governor to bring this to the attention of the officials of the various municipalities of the State is for him to issue a Press release calling the attention of the public to the action of the Famine Emergency Committee's Recommendations. This could be briefly condensed as in the second paragraph of the Secretary's letter, adding whatever further recommendations which the Governor feels necessary for conserving wheat, and fats and oils.

I herewith return the letter from Secretary Anderson and the Recommendations of the Famine Emergency Committee.

Ralph W. Farris
Attorney General

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