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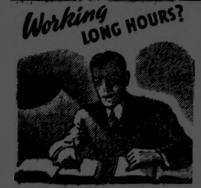
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### HIGHER PAY TO KEEP STAFF

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## Boxer Charged With

Alleged Wounding

Wychling Man Bound Over For Common Assault

## CRUSHED BETWEEN BUFFERS

Fatality At Northfleet Cement Works

ABHFORD POLICE COURT

## BOUGHT GROCERIES FROM ERRAND BOY

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THERE were two prosecutions under the Food Rationing Order at Ashford Police Court on Thursday last week, arising out of transactions by two women with a grocer's errand boy.

Mr. F. Flower presecuted for the Ashford Urban Food Control Committee,
Mrs. C. Curtiss, 60, Hythe Road, Ashford, pleaded guilty on two summons: obtaining on December 21st, 1940, 110, butter, 10, obtaining ilb. sugar, 110, putter, 110, tea and 110, of margarine without a coupons.

Mr. Flower said the transactions were

Knock-Out Blow Which Cost £5 An aggressive stare, the twigging of his rose and a knock-out blow on the jaw were described by Reginald Stanley Joiner, The Byre, Little Chart, Ashford, when he summoned his neighbour. Herber; E. Bates, for assault on Pebruary 15th

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The case was heard at Ashford Police Court on Thursday last week when complainant was represented by Mr. L. E. Bwann and the defendant by Mr. Williams, of Chatham.

Joiner stated there had been a dispute between them when their care collided lirst December. On Saturday, February 15th he returned home with Mrs. Scott about 6.25 p.m. He saw Bates by the gates. After backing the car into the garse he shut one of the gates and Bates was still staring at him. He asked "What are you looking at?" and Bates replied "You will — scon see if you come out here." He said "What a gentleman: " and Bates them walked towards the garage gates, put one hand on them, and dug complainant in the stomach. When asked for an apology Bates put his band over the gate and pulled his nose.

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pulled his nose.

"I did not retaliate," said Joiner, "but said I would take the case elsewhere.

HIT ON THE JAW

He referred to further conversation, and said Bates was swinging his nime about as if he was a wild man. As he turned to walk save, Bates awang roung his arm and hit him on the jaw. 'he blow knocked him out into the ditch. Mrs. Scott helped him up and he was aick on getting indoors and had a doctor later. Shortly after he got indoors Bates came round and said. "I am sorry: I lost my head completely I did not

came round and said. "I am zorry: I lost my head completely I did not mean to hurt you." Complainant re-rited "I am afraid you have gone too lar this time."

Replying to Mr. Williams, Joiner devied that he had dared defendant to fight him, or that he tried to spur him on so that the assault case could be brought.

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Mr. Williams said it was a case which should naver have been brought to court. He did not intend to call defendant, but admitted that the blow on the jaw was made. The trouble had attreed in December and there had been ample. December and there had been ample

provocation.

The magistrates regarded it as a serious case and Bates was fined £5 and £2 2s. costs. The chairman (8if Charles Igglesden) advised both parties to try and be neighbourly.

PILOT

Death Of Mr. Herbert Williams

MANY INTERESTS

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