

APPLEBY MAGNA BAKER SENT TO PRISON

At Ashby-de-la-Zouch Police Court of Saturday, Edward Newton Allen, grocer and baker, of Appleby Magna, was summoned for infringing the sugar rationing order.

Mr. Fisher Jesson, of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, for the prosecution, said that this was one of the worst cases ever before a court. Thirty-six families in the Ashby-de-la-Zouch district who were entitled to the sugar ration had had none. Allen had received 630lbs. of sugar, and should have had 519lbs. for his 173 registered customers. There had been numerous complaints.

Allen pleaded not guilty, but did not give evidence.

Edith Mary Newton Allen, defendant's wife, in evidence, made allegations against a vanman who had been in their employ.

Superintendent R. B. Bullimore reported a number of previous convictions against accused.

Allen, who had been described in court as the "Swiss Roll King," was sentenced to three months imprisonment.

There was a scene when Allen was sentenced. His wife shouted, "Don't take him away." She had to be led from the court.

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