

Milk Routes Changed This Week

Commencing this week, the P. M. & C. company is making morning and late night deliveries. This is due to approaching warm weather. During the winter months dairymen of the city generally have delivered evening's milk the next morning, but hereafter the P. M. & C. will deliver morning's milk the same morning it is milked and evening milk the same evening it is milked. In some instances this will make afternoon deliveries several hours later in the day and morning deliveries earlier.

The kind indulgence of our patrons during the rearrangement of the routes is asked. Within a day or two these new means of delivery should be working smoothly.

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Government Ownership.
Our remedy for everything now is government ownership. Other countries have tried it, and have higher rates than we have. We must get over the notion that it is possible for the government to take care of us in

luxury and idleness. The fact is, we must do more rather than less work. In no state is railroad regulation more stringent than in Texas. That state owns a railroad managed by the statesmen who tell railroad executives how railroads should be operated. The state-owned railroad in Texas is a joke and a scandal, and loses \$50,000 a year.—E. W. Howe's Monthly.

Mothers Back National Prohibition.
Washington, May 3.—National prohibition was advocated by the National Congress of Mothers. Mrs. Frederic Schoff, of Philadelphia, was re-elected president.

President's Spade to Start Nation In Campaign to Increase Food

Probably Mr. Wilson Will Break Ground on White House's Half Acre—Commission Gives His Staff Seeds For Planting.

PRESIDENT WILSON may take the lead in the national campaign for increased food production by breaking the ground on the White House farm at Pennsylvania avenue and Madison place, Washington.

The National Emergency Food Garden Commission presented the White House executive office force with seeds, which will be used to start the White House farm.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo made public an appeal to the thousands of employees of the department to cultivate as much land as possible.

"Millions of men have been withdrawn from the fields of production and sent to the fields of battle," said Secretary McAdoo. "The world's supply of foodstuffs has diminished in the face of an increasing demand."

Relief Is Imperative.

"With our own country at war, the calls upon the usual tillers of the soil, which have been great in the past, will be enormous in the future, and it is most desirable that every possible step be taken to relieve, even in the slightest degree, the tremendous pressure upon the world markets at this time."

Secretary of the Interior Lane in a letter to Chairman Taylor of the house irrigation committee outlined a plan for the creating of a traveling corps of farm laborers to work on the irrigated lands of the country. Secretary Lane pointed out there were considerable areas of idle arable land in the

Lane Outlines Plan For Traveling Corps of Farm Laborers. Proposed Prohibition of Exports Not Embargo.

United States. He proposes that mobile companies of farm experts should visit all such idle arable land and that they should call to their aid in tilling it the farmers near such tracts.

Chairman Adamson of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce has introduced his bill to allow the president to prohibit exports from American ports when he deemed it advisable. The only change was in the title, which makes it plain that the bill is not intended as an embargo measure.

Not Embargo Measure.

Mr. Adamson said the bill is primarily for the purpose of allowing a proper distribution of the supplies of the country. The title of the bill as reintroduced was, "To authorize the president in time of war to give direction to exports from the United States so as to insure their wise, economical and profitable distribution to other countries and for other purposes."

Representative Bathrick of Ohio introduced a bill to provide an agricultural army under military control to supply deficiencies in farm labor and to obtain food for the people. It is provided that the president may enlist and equip an army of not to exceed 300,000 men and women.

An appeal to the farmers to increase the production of corn in the United States to the fullest extent this year in order to meet the increased demand resulting from the war emergency was made in a statement issued by Secretary Houston of the department of agriculture.

WEST POINT GRADUATES GET MONTH'S FURLOUGH

Class of 1917, Consisting of 139 Men, Fourth to Finish Ahead of Time.

When the class of 1917 of the West Point Military academy graduated the other day the 139 members departed for their homes on a month's furlough with every prospect of seeing active service inside of a year. This is the seventh time since the civil war began in 1861 that a class at West Point has been graduated prematurely.

The social features of the annual June commencement were omitted and a brief program commensurate with the gravity of the situation substituted. One concession which is approved by the superintendent is the graduation ball, which was held in the gymnasium.

The first emergency graduation was in May, 1861, when forty-five members of the first class were commissioned as officers. H. A. Du Pont of Delaware headed the class. In June of the same year the second class was graduated for field service. Among its members was George A. Custer, who was killed at Little Big Horn.

It was not until 1898 that another emergency caused the premature graduation of a class. On April 26 of that year fifty-nine members who were to have graduated in June were commissioned for service in the Spanish war. E. N. Benchley and Clark Churchman of this class died at San Juan Hill, Cuba.

The following year the seriousness of the Filipino insurrection led to the graduation of the first class on Feb. 15. On Feb. 1, 1901, seventy-four cadets were graduated to fill vacancies in the ranks of commissioned officers, and a similar situation in 1908 led to the graduation of 108 cadets on Feb. 14.

When the class of '17 entered West Point it consisted of 200 men. Its number has been cut down by failures in scholarship, resignations and other causes. The honor man is Harry Jones of Clayville, Onondaga county, N. Y., who stands far ahead of his class. Among the graduates was Luis y Savosa Rada, a Filipino, the fourth of his race to graduate from the academy.

WAR'S HARD BLOW AT AFTERNOON TEA

Lord Devonport, the British food controller, has issued an order prohibiting the sale of light pastries, muffins, crumpets or tea cakes.

Cakes, buns, scones and biscuits can only be sold if they conform to the drastic restrictions respecting the amount of wheat flour and sugar used. Tea shops, which are so popular in England, will suffer severely by the new order.

The war office has ordered a return made of all horses, mules, cattle, sheep, pigs and agricultural implements in Great Britain.

BONE DRY UNITED STATES PLAN OF PROHIBITIONISTS

Members of Defense Council Want All Liquor Barred During the War.

Certain members of the Council of National Defense are considering seriously the advisability of urging President Wilson to take drastic action immediately to stop completely the manufacture and sale of liquor throughout the United States.

Reports based on figures for the fiscal year of 1916 show that action by the government to bring "war prohibition" would mean the closing of 1,332 breweries and 605 distilleries. The National Defense Council says it believes more and more strongly that the nation's imperative need of the 6,000,000,000 pounds of foodstuffs that go into the manufacture of liquor is sufficient reason for the government to take the step that some European belligerents have been forced to take in order that their armies and people may have sufficient food.

A decision as to the president's power to stop liquor manufacture is understood to be in the hands of Attorney General Gregory. If necessary it appears probable that legislation authorizing the president to act will be introduced in congress. In this event the president would then be empowered to take the drastic action whenever he saw fit.

Whether he would take it immediately or later probably would depend on the report made by Chairman Hoover of the National Economy Board, who will make a thorough study of food conditions in the country and recommend conservation measures.

BRITAIN TO TEST DIPLOMATS.

Highest Honor in Service to Be Open to Competition.

A sensation has been caused by the announcement at the London foreign office that regulations will be drawn up soon opening the highest honors in the diplomatic service to merit and competition. Heretofore for many generations these places have been reserved for members of the "first" families. Social importance counted for much, and except in the rarest instances it was useless for outsiders to apply.

A notable exception was made in the case of Viscount Bryce, whose special qualifications gained for him appointment to the British embassy in Washington.

WAR PAINT FOR U. S. LINERS.

Neither Flags Nor Identifying Marks to Be Shown.

The war paint for American steamships will be sea gray. The Orleans, first American freighter to go unharmed through the German submarine zone to Bordeaux, will have the Stars and Stripes on her sides painted over and when she sails hence, armed, will look like a merchantman of any other belligerent.

Red, white and blue decorations make fine targets. There will be nothing to identify American liners and freighters, not even flags flying from tallmasts.

Kamela News Items

Kamela, Ore., April 30.—(Special)—Mrs. Walter Bray and children left Sunday night for Heppner where they will join Mr. Bray who went some time ago to find a place to locate.

Mrs. Clarence Kieth and little daughter Irene left for a visit to Portland Saturday.

Mrs. H. D. Schaffner returned Saturday from Hot Lake where she has been dangerously ill for some time.

Mrs. Robert Mathis went to Meacham Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Schrekhshe. She was accompanied home by her two sisters.

Mrs. Frederick of Hilgard came up Saturday to spend the day with her

husband. Mrs. Hedgren is visiting friends in Kamela.

Will Vernon, a wiper, was promoted last week and went to Telocaset.

W. H. Pidecock returned Tuesday from a visit to Salt Lake.

Miss Gertrude Beiver of La Grande spent Sunday with her sister Mrs. LeRoy Morgan.

Mrs. C. A. Norden made a business trip to La Grande Thursday.

Ed Wetzel, roadmaster, was in Kamela on business Sunday.

Guy Norden was visiting his mother Saturday evening.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the little dance given in the hall Saturday evening. A few attended from Meacham. Among them was Miss Chelf who was on her way to see her sister Mrs. Dyer of La Grande. Good music was furnished by Mr. Rose.

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

As we are about to issue a new directory we request all subscribers who wish any change or correction made in their listing, or who intend moving at an early date, to notify us at once. Also all who contemplate having a phone installed and who wish to get their names in the directory.

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Picked Up By The Stroller

Walter Pierce told me a mule kicked him on the shins and I forgot to ask him if he kicked the mule back.

I like to read E. W. Howe's monthly. He is the famous Kansas editor and the American Dickens. He nominates George Horace Lorimer, editor of the Saturday Evening Post for president, and I second the nomination.

Although a newspaper man Mr. Howe doesn't like the newspapers. He blames them for starting the present

war. Here's what he says: "The people are not in earnest either in their patriotism or religion. For years they have been brothers-in-law of the church, and let their wives manage their spiritual affairs. Now they have turned their patriotism over to the newspapers; and a sorry spectacle the newspapers are making of it."

The editor and manager of Jim Jams Jems have been indicted in Federal Court for sending obscene matter through the mails. We fear their fortunes are made.

The fire bell has an alarming sound. If you are away from home, the first thought is of your own little nest. As for me I always think of my hotel bedroom, my precious books and pictures.

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