

MILK MEN WANT BETTER ETHICS

Creamery Operators Favor Code to Prevent Unfair Practices

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 15.—Dairymen here are active and they should be incorporated in a code, and violation of the code made a subject for action by the federal trade commission. This is the belief of dairymen attending the nineteenth annual convention of the Washington Creamery Operators' association.

More than 100 creamery operators from Washington, Oregon, Montana and Northern Idaho registered. Dairy supervisors of commissioners from all four states attended. They are: Harold Wood of Idaho, J. H. McKie of Oregon, C. L. Harris of Montana, and Dr. Robert Prior of Washington.

Brings up Question of Ethics
The question of ethics came up when J. A. Hall, manager of the Mutual Creamery company of Seattle, reported on the federal trade commission conference at San Francisco. The commission operates to enforce trade rules after the tradepeople themselves have agreed on the rules. Hall mentioned some of the practices the dairymen generally would like to have declared unfair and subject to the commission's authority.

Oppose Price Manipulation
Among these are untrue statements of the results of cream tests, discrimination in favor of some producers as against others, failure to quote prices to others, failure to understand, making damaging false statements about competitors, manipulating butter fat prices to obtain a monopoly in a district and continued use of milk cans belonging to others.

Use of milk cans by farmers, as water containers or for other than milk, was discussed. It was stated that the practice costs dairymen a lot of money because the cans rust and become unfit for dairy purposes. It also makes trouble for the state inspectors who are required to replenish any cans they find being misused and return them to the owners.

G. D. Itallishew, manager of the United Empire Dairy Producers' association, said his concern has solved the problem by charging the cans to whoever receives them.

\$275,000 School Bonds Are Voted

LEWISTON, Ida., Dec. 15.—In the school bond election 973 votes were cast for issuance of bonds for \$275,000 and 213 against or more than four votes to one. It required a two-thirds vote for the election to carry.

E. A. White, president of the school board, announced that no soon as sale of the bonds can be negotiated, bids will be called for and the work proceed at once. The money will be used for a five-room addition to the Lewiston elementary school and furnishings to cost \$25,000, and \$250,000 will be expended for a high school building and furnishings here.

The assessed valuation of the two districts is in excess of \$7,000,000. Of the 1184 votes cast 167 were in the orchard district.

Never before in history was so complete an organization perfected for the success of a measure. The city was districted and served by hundreds of workers. All during the afternoon a steady rain fell, but did not dampen the ardor of taxpayers, who were the only ones privileged to vote.

WOMEN'S SCHOAL SOCIETY
DIERDREN, Germany (AP).—Women are taking great interest in the revival of choral societies, one of the standard women's activities before the war. Dierdren is to have a women's singing society of 100 voices, one of the largest in the country. It is being organized by Margaret Witting, conductor of the famous Orpheus orchestra.

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HEALTH

SMALL CUTS By Robert T. Morris, M. D., New York City

Member Gorman Memorial Inst.
Did you ever go down the rapids in a canoe?

The canoe bottom is only about one-sixteenth of an inch thick. It was all that stood between you and death. But that sixteenth of an inch was enough, provided that it remained unbroken.

A still thinner layer of protective material stands between us and death in our daily encounter with dangerous microbes. This protective covering is called the epithelial layer of material on the surface of the skin on the outside of the body, and on the mucous membranes of the interior.

Whenever this layer is broken, microbes enter at once in order "to eat" us. Doctors as a class have learned through experience that nature wants to have her microbes thrive.

But, as a good sport, nature has given us certain weapons to be employed against microbes. When there has been a cut or a tear through one of the protective layers of epithelial cells, microbes enter at once with the idea of feeding upon us. A part of the blood known as "serum" carries materials which interfere with microbe growth, provided that fresh serum keeps on running from the wound.

Another weapon which nature has provided for combating the microbes consists in the rapid exfoliation of some of the white blood cells in the vicinity of the cut. These are given a long Greek name, indicating cells which eat things up. They eat microbes.

When a cut has been made through our epithelial covering, the free escape of blood serum guards against infection by microbes until these special white blood cells that play the part of little policemen have had time to collect at the spot.

Surgeons have many ways of preventing the growth of microbes in wounds. That is why they are pretty useful folks at times.

What is to be done with a cut before getting a doctor's advice? Allow blood serum to run freely without being bandaged in tightly. Do not close a cut with cement plaster or any of its substitutes unless you know a lot about surgery. When a wound is closed with court plaster or any of its substitutes, blood serum can no longer escape freely. It is caged up in the wound and in that cage there are a lot of microbes.

How are you to allow blood serum to escape freely from an open wound?

Apply a moist dressing so that the edges of the wound will not stick together. The simplest moist dressing which will suffice until a doctor arrives is made by holding clean linen or cotton rag for ten minutes in water containing all of the borax that it will dissolve. Keep the dressing moist by covering it with any sort of waterproof material.

COVE PERSONALS

COVE (Special)—S. H. Weiner Sr. is able to be out again after a long and serious illness.

Mrs. Mary Wagner, who has been very ill for several weeks here, is now convalescing and left on Thursday for the home of her daughter at Central Point, Ore. She was accompanied by Mrs. Cora Bloom, who has been nursing her since her daughter, Mrs. James Weaver, returned to her home about a month ago. Dr. Gilmore also accompanied them.

The Ladies' Guild will be entertained by Mrs. C. Bertsch Thursday, Dec. 29.

The various churches here are busy preparing for Christmas. The Episcopal Sunday school will present a pageant in addition to have-

Year's First Smelt Sent to Astoria

ink a Christmas tree. Other churches are planning for Christmas trees also.

The annual junior vaudeville will be presented by the high school student body on Friday, Dec. 17.

A dancing party will be given at the hall on Friday evening following the junior vaudeville. The party is being sponsored by the Women's club.

County School Superintendent E. A. Sayre was visiting the Cove schools last week.

Miss Alice Marquardt visited the Cove schools recently. Miss Marquardt is county health nurse here.

Mrs. T. C. Doty entertained the Needle club at her home Wednesday evening.

Chinese genius for self-government is all that saves China from complete chaos during the revolutionary ups and downs of the country, said A. H. George, British government commercial agent in Shanghai.

An argument never yet proved anything except that one is a dunce for taking part in it.



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Tells Means to Eliminate Weeds In Alfalfa Land

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO, Moscow.—Alfalfa growers in southern Idaho irrigated sections troubled with weeds in the first cutting after the first season may find a solution to their problem in seedling without the usual nurse crop of wheat or barley. Farmers who have tried the practice have reported to H. W. Hulbert, university agronomist, that the trouble has been almost entirely eliminated.

The method used is to seed alfalfa at the rate of 20 pounds per acre on a well-prepared seed bed in early spring. In southwestern Idaho many are seeding in late summer shortly after removal of a grain crop, but such practice is doubtful in higher and cooler irrigated areas.

When alfalfa is seeded without a nurse crop in early spring, a good cutting is obtained the first season. Cuttings during following seasons are fine stemmed, leafy, of heavy tonnage and are almost entirely consumed in feeding. Because of this improvement in quality and yield, Professor Hulbert believes the practice is well worth a trial on Idaho farmers.

Wallowa Farmers Disposing of Wheat

WALLOWA, Ore., Dec. 15 (Special).—Reports from various parts of the country indicate that a considerable amount of wheat is being sold by farmers at this time. Many have held a considerable portion of their crops, but the price has not advanced to the point where many believed it would.

LEISURE LADY'S CRAZE

LONDON (AP).—English Society as written with a capital "S" has gone to fortune telling for amusement. Private fortune telling parties during the morning hours is the latest craze of ladies of the leisure class. Invitations are dispatched and a group of smartly dressed, shingled women arrive and await their turn for the Phylis One. Then they all get together and compare notes.

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Due to the scarcity of the fish they are being taken only by gill-nets, dip-nets thus far having failed to yield any return.

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WALLOWA PERSONALS

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special).—H. C. Beggs, of Lower Valley, moved part of his cattle to the Minor ranch in the hills recently where he has had them on pasture.

Sam and G. C. Meek were visitors here the first of the week.

Mrs. P. F. Kohn, of La Grande, spent a few days the past week visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Klinghammer, of Leap.

J. V. Lathrop, of Leap, was a business visitor here the first of the week.

Roy Gastin was a business visitor here recently.

John Couch, of Leap, was sick a few days the past week. He is reported to be much improved now and able to be out again.

A considerable number of children in this section are just getting over the measles. Most of the cases are said to have been very mild, with many not sick enough to stay in bed.

George Dawning has been working for John Couch the past several days. Charles Klinghammer, of Leap, was a business visitor here the last of the week.

Harmon Bras, of Leap, have been busy the past week cutting wood.

Roy Gastin was repairing a gasoline engine for Sam Meek the last of the week.

Eugene Gastin was a visitor here recently.

A gymnasium building which includes a swimming pool and running track will be a feature of the new \$1,350,000 United States veterans' bureau hospital now under construction at Fort Snelling.

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