



Walter Tooze Jr.

Former Polk County Attorney, Who Has Accepted An Appointment Under Attorney General Daugherty

Walter L. Tooze Jr. has been offered and has accepted appointment as a special assistant United States attorney general. Mr. Tooze has been assigned the handling of three so-called land-fraud cases, those against the Grande Ronde Lumber company, the Stoddard Lumber company and the Rumble case.

The complaints in these cases have been prepared and were filed and action started by John Veach, assistant district attorney. They are important cases, involving the recovery by the

government of a large amount of money.

Attorney General Daugherty wrote to Mr. Tooze, who is a practicing attorney at McMinnville, offering him appointment to handle these cases in the federal court. Mr. Tooze telegraphed his acceptance Monday and will begin operations in August.

During the presidential campaign Mr. Tooze was active in the east and was in close touch with Mr. Daugherty. Several weeks ago Mr. Daugherty made an offer of political appointment to Mr. Tooze, but the latter declined as he did not wish to leave Oregon.—Oregonian.

Law Regarding Bulls of Dairy Breeds

(Oregon Voter)
If Oregon dairymen are prosperous, you and I receive the benefit of their prosperity in our business, profession or employment. The dairymen of our state must compete with the dairymen throughout the world, as the price of milk and milk products is largely influenced in every locality by world markets. The amount of money our dairymen can make depends upon their production costs. They cannot control market prices, or what they receive for their product. They can decrease their production cost, mainly by breeding up better milkers, who yield more milk in proportion to the cost of the feed they consume.

To make the path of the Oregon dairyman easier was the purpose of the pure bred bull law, enacted by the recent legislature. The provisions of the bill, the reasons behind it, and the benefits in prospect are discussed by P. M. Brandt, professor of Dairy Hus-

bandry, Oregon Agricultural College. An Act which promises to be of considerable value in building up the dairy industry of Oregon and which perhaps in the long run will be one of the most helpful to agriculture that has been enacted by an Oregon Legislature for many seasons, is the one creating the Dairy Bull Registration Board. The object of this act is to bring about the use of more pure bred dairy bulls in the herds of the state. In other words, to replace scrub bulls with pure bred bulls by prohibiting the sale of scrub bulls. To have a full understanding of the possibilities of this law a few facts are in order.

It is a well known fact that, practically speaking, it costs no more to keep or maintain a poor cow than it does to maintain a good one. The high producing cow may consume twice as much feed as the poor cow but the cost of the milk produced by her will in many cases be only one-half the cost of that produced by the poor cow. Generally speaking, it is said that the maintenance ration or in other words that part of the feed the cow uses to maintain life will vary from forty to sixty per cent of the total amount of

feed she consumes. Forty per cent is used in the case of good farm cows and sixty per cent in the case of poor cows. Dairy herd improvement can be accomplished by getting rid of the cows who take sixty per cent of the total ration for maintenance alone and replacing them by various means with the cows that will only take forty per cent of their total ration for the maintenance of life. This is accomplished first by the elimination of the poor cows followed by the breeding of the cows that are good enough to keep in the herds to bulls whose ancestors are known to be high producers. This is followed by proper feeding methods that will make it possible for any cow to produce all that she is capable of producing.

Dairy improvement along these lines have been carried out in wide areas largely through cow testing associations wherein farmers are organized for the purpose of having records kept of the cows so that they can take first steps in this herd improvement. Then those farmers secure good bulls and by proper feeding methods take the third principal step. In one case in Tillamook county there is a group of farmers who have succeeded in increasing the production of their herd to more than twice the average of the cows in the county. This has been brought about by the elimination of poor cows and the breeding up of cows that remained.

Oregon has simply taken a little further step than any other state in connection with livestock improvement. It is generally recognized among progressive farmers that progress can only be made through the use of improved registered stock. Oregon has simply legalized the sale of scrub stock and in this way it is hoped that many farmers will be more quickly encouraged to use good sires.

It is a safe to assume that from one-fourth to one-third of the dairy cows being kept in Oregon at the present time are not paying for their feed.

The provisions of this law are very simple. A Dairy Bull Registration Board is created. The staff of the department of Husbandry of O. A. C. is named as the Board. No bull can be sold unless it is licensed by the Board. To receive a license, the owner of the bull must apply to the board for a license and must accompany his application by a registration blank from the breed association showing that his bull has been registered. He must also present a certificate showing that

the animal is free from infectious disease. Upon fulfilling these requirements and paying a fee of \$1.00 he will be issued a license by the board. The law only applies to bulls of dairy breeds (Holsteins, Gaurneys, Jerseys,

Ayrshires and Brown Swiss), that are to be used for breeding purposes. It has nothing whatever to do with the sale of scrub bulls or inferior pure bred bulls for meat. It does not prohibit the use of a scrub bull by a man who

wants to breed for himself. There is a provision in the law which makes it possible for the board to waive the requirements of the act at any time there is a scarcity of pure bred bulls or when the price is unreasonable.

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