

DAIRYMEN GET TOGETHER

DISCUSSED THEIR TRADE AND FARMING IN GENERAL.

Expert Smith, of Minnesota, Portrayed Difference Between Dairymen.

LAURENCE, May 22.—With a view to stimulating the dairy business, the patrons of the Laurence creamery, at Howell's Prairie, held a farmers' meeting here Friday.

Opening remarks were made by George W. Weeks, who is a pioneer dairymen in this section. Mr. Weeks was the first farmer to adopt the method of preserving and cheapening the cost of cow feed.

He E. Lounsbury, traveling freight agent of the Southern Pacific, was called on and he gave a brief address on the subject of the recent growth and development of the creamery and its products in Western Oregon.

Mr. Smith, of Minnesota, who is a practical farmer, and is thoroughly familiar with every detail of dairying, discussed fattening and agriculture. In part, Mr. Smith said:

"We have a State Dairy Association in Minnesota, which has been in existence 25 years. Once every year, usually in December, we get together from 400 to 500 men and women interested in dairying.

"Prior to one of these meetings I had been asked to prepare a paper on 'farm butter.' While in the country seeking information, I met an old friend of the name of George Larsen who invited me to come out to his farm and pay him a visit.

"I was milking eight cows and when I asked him how much milk he was getting from each cow, he did not know.

"After I left Larsen's place, I took the train and just in front of me on the next seat sat a lady by the name of Mrs. McCruxy, the wife of a village blacksmith, who had taken the premium for farm butter at the state fair that year.

WEST POINT DISCIPLINE

NAMES OF THE CADETS DISMISSED AND SUSPENDED.

Colonel Mills' Reports, Explaining His Action—Indorsed by War Department Officials.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The cadets dismissed from the Military Academy as the result of the recent disturbances there are: Henry L. Bolby, Nebraska; John A. Cleveland, Alabama; Trangett E. Teller, New York; Raymond A. Linton, Michigan; and Charles Telford, Texas.

ABOLITION OF CANTEEN.

Increase of Intemperance Under the New Order of Things.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The Times says: General Block has sent an order to all commandants of posts in the Department of the East to send to him September 1 a complete report of the results which have ensued since the abolition of the Army canteen.

Seven privates, absent without leave from Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., have just been ordered to the island in the next Governor's Island, which is the headquarters of the department. They disappeared from their post immediately after the abolition of the canteen.

A reporter interviewed a number of officers in the department and they were of the opinion that the percentage of them was saying, "I told you so," when the cases of Fort Sheridan, Fort Snelling and Fort Ethan Allen were called to mind.

Payday at Fort Totten, Willeit's Point, Long Island Sound, came last Wednesday. The soldiers stationed there drew about \$30 per man. Since that time there have been wild and hilarious times in the saloons of Whiteside, the nearest village to the reservation, and in the half dozen road houses that are scattered at intervals along the road that leads from the fort to the village.

The records at the fort show that for the first 24 days of this month there have been seven court-martials on drunk and disorderly charges, and 12 for absence without leave. The 23 absentees and the 12 who were in the guardhouse are considered to be figures.

Major Black, Adjutant Howell and every officer and soldier interviewed at the fort, gave without hesitation the opinion that the change for the worse in the general conduct of the troops since the abolition of the canteen and the turning over of the soldier with his monthly pay in his pocket to the tender mercies of the outside world, has been a disaster to the vicinity of military posts.

IN INTERESTS OF WORKINGMEN

Movement for Their Social and Economic Advancement.

JOLIET, Ill., May 22.—P. M. Savage, superintendent of the Steel Works Club of this city, who has issued a call for a conference of representatives of firms and corporations for the social and economic advancement of employees, which will be held in Buffalo, June 24, was asked to give details of his plans.

"We are seeking to improve the social and economic interests of employees. Our object is to have the conference see what can be done. It has seemed to me that a congress where papers would be read, followed by discussions and exchange of ideas would be a good thing. There is no literature or anything to guide us, so we are striking out in new lines. Similar movements have been undertaken in Germany at the Krupp works, in France and some in England, but these have been only partially successful.

"We do not aim to supplant unions; they are the question, which we do not propose to touch upon at all. We want to see what can be done to make employees contented. While we stand for the interests of the workingmen, we will be representatives of corporations who are seeking to make the home life of their men more beautiful through educational and other means similar to those employed here at the Steel Works Club.

Mr. Savage, in concluding the interview, said he believed that improved conditions and surroundings exert as great an influence on workingmen to make them contented as does the question of wages alone. Already favorable responses have been received from concerns in New York, Boston, Cleveland, Chicago, Dayton, O., and other places.

THE LARGEST BATTLE-SHIP.

United States May Have a 16,000-Ton Vessel.

NEW YORK, May 22.—If the report heard at the Navy Department proves correct, says a Times special correspondent, Washington, and Congress approved the recommendations of Rear-Admiral Bowles of the Construction Board, the United States may have a 16,000-ton vessel, displacing with corresponding armament, thus providing a warship of formidable proportions.

The British and Japanese battle-ships of 15,000 tons draw 27 feet of water or more. That would prevent their entry into many of our harbors, and the fact that many American harbors cannot afford water for vessels of such draught has led to the construction of battle-ships drawing the least water consistent with stability.

The mean draught of the Maine class will be less than 24 feet. The idea is to provide a vessel which will draw much more with the displacement of 15,000 tons. Some members of the Construction Board hope to secure designs promising a speed of 21 knots, which, if obtained, will make the new battle-ship equal in speed and superior in power to most of the armored cruisers now afloat, and make her a formidable antagonist of the most powerful battle-ships yet built.

Few Hours in a High Office.

CHICAGO, May 22.—After occupying for but a few hours the high position of Judge Advocate General of the United States Army, with the rank of Brigadier-General, Thomas F. Barr retired from the service today at his own request.

Wisconsin's Silver Service.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 22.—The members of the Wisconsin Battle-Ship Commission left for San Francisco last night to present the silver service that they have prepared for the state's new battle-ship which bears the state's name.

Children Devoured by a Bear.

THE GREAT Smoky mountains, a mountaineer reading about 12 miles southeast of this place, while gathering flowers in the woods, were killed and partially devoured by a bear. The remains were found by a bear hunter and the secretary of the State Game and Fish Commission Sunday evening.

Reserve Agent for Idaho Bank.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The Controller of the Currency has designated the National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City, Mo., as reserve agent for the First National Bank of St. Anthony, Idaho.

AT THE HOTELS.

THE PORTLAND. C. M. Avery, Chicago, N. E. Dimer, San Fran. J. H. Shugart, Portland, Me. J. H. Shugart, Portland, Me. J. H. Shugart, Portland, Me.

THE IMPERIAL.

C. W. Kinnear, Manager. W. H. Patterson, Astoria. J. G. Winger, Astoria. J. G. Winger, Astoria.

THE ST.

Hugh Johnson & W. Chicago. H. D. Began, La Fayette. H. D. Began, La Fayette.

WEST POINT, N. Y., May 22.

The five cadets dismissed from the Military Academy and those who were suspended have all departed for their respective homes. There was no demonstration in the city.

Going to See the Secretary.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The five dismissed West Point cadets came directly to this city. Tonight they gave out signed statements expressing surprise at the severe penalties they had received for what they never considered a very serious offense.

TEXT-BOOKS FOR OREGON

COMMISSION WILL MEET JULY 8 TO MAKE SELECTIONS.

Publishers Find Members Strictly Noncommittal—Time for Submitting Books Has Expired.

SALEM, Or., May 22.—The text-book law, under which the State Text-Book Commission was appointed, provides, among other things, that "no publisher shall have the right to have his proposal as to any text-book considered unless he shall have delivered to each member of the board one copy of such text-book at least 60 days before the meeting of the board, free of cost."

A few publishers have written Superintendent of Public Instruction Ackerman that they did not receive notices of the text-book selections. He has a little primer for the children's system with him, and when talking with a school-teacher friend he gives the book to the teacher, with the remark, in an undertone, that the publisher has not been decided on by the Text-Book Commissioners.

CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

Will Increase the Expenses of Scotch Universities.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Regarding Andrew Carnegie's gift of \$2,000,000 to provide education in the Edinburgh, Glasgow, St. Andrew's and Aberdeen Universities for Scotch students, and the fact that the students' fees to the payment of which the gift is devoted do not amount to more than \$10 a year for each student, while the university expends from \$20 to \$30 in educating him, Professor Van Amringe, dean of Columbia University, said last night:

"In any well-conducted university the tuition fees do not pay anything like the cost of tuition. It is so with us and, I take it, with every progressive, first-rate institution. The plan, the things you must provide for administering the institution in the best possible way, cost more than would be feasible for the student to pay. After you get a certain number of students, you must increase the teaching staff and enlarge the laboratory facilities, and in that sense a large increase of students would mean an increased expenditure, but not necessarily an expenditure in proportion.

Agents for Text-Books Unavailable.

Agents for text-book publishers are unable to learn anything regarding the selection of text-books from the Commissioners. One agent who visited the Capitol recently said to a friend that he never had any trouble working the County Superintendent who formerly chose the text-books, but he can't understand the board. He doesn't get any satisfaction out of them. It will be remembered that before making the appointments Governor Geer stated that he would endeavor to appoint men whose reputations were made-men in whom the people would

Shooting Affray in a Courtroom.

SANTA FE, N. M., May 22.—William Park was shot and killed at Central Grant County in the office of Justice of the Peace Joseph Crowley, during the preliminary examination of May Esmond, charged with a serious crime. James A.

WILLY HAD GIVEN DAMAGING TESTIMONY.

King Humbert's Assassin Took His Own Life in San Stefano Prison.

ROME, May 22.—Brewel, the assassin of the late King Humbert, has committed suicide at the penitentiary of the San Stefano.

SUICIDE OF BREWEL.

Compelled the Prince to Leave. BERLIN, May 22.—Under dynastic law, the young Duke of Saxe-Weimer, Charles Augustus, has compelled Prince Bernhard of Saxe-Weimer and his wife, to leave for the United States.

Ordered to Saloon.

VALETTE, Malta, May 22.—The British battle-ship Caesar and Emperor of India, and the second-class cruiser Gladiator were ordered to Saloon this afternoon. It is rumored here that the departure of the warships is in connection with the postal difficulties between the Austro-Hungarian empire and the Government of Turkey.

Russian Loan in Demand.

PARIS, May 22.—It is estimated that the new Russian loan will be subscribed for the least seven times over. The stock was quoted this afternoon at a premium of 44. The Rothschilds made unusual and special efforts to insure the success of the loan by arranging to forward the banks of Paris to accept subscriptions.

Fort Needs Reconstructing.

BERLIN, May 22.—The recent maneuvers of the Russian army have shown that the Crown Prince Fort is in need of reconstruction and orders to this end have been issued.

Prussian Crop Prospects.

BERLIN, May 22.—The official Prussian crop reports show that winter wheat is poor and summer wheat fairly good.

Pan-American Special.

W. C. Seachrest received news yesterday that the Michigan Central Railroad, of which he is the Portland passenger agent, will, on June 1, put on its Pan-American special between Buffalo and Chicago. The running time between Chicago and Buffalo will be 14 hours.

Taxing Pullman Cross Earnings.

LANSING, Mich., May 22.—The House today by unanimous vote passed a bill taxing the Pullman Palace Car Company 3 per cent on their gross earnings in this state.

The Bartenders of Seattle Will Form a Union.

A meeting will be held Monday.

IT IS A CRIME TO BE WEAK.

Every weak man or woman can be restored to perfect health vitality by proper application of Electricity. Dr. Bennett, the great Electrical authority, has written a book which he will give, free of charge, to the person who writes to him for it.

DR. BENNETT Electric Belt Co.

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Advertisement for Ramdex Automobiles. Features include: 'If Carrie Nation had a steam hatchet-automobile made out of the Ramdex material, she could smash all the joints in Kansas combined in one day.' Includes an illustration of a woman with a hatchet and a car. Text: 'Fred T. Merritt Cycle Co. 105-107-109-111 Sixth St., Portland, Or.' and 'SPOKANE SEATTLE TACOMA'.