

DEALERS TESTIFY IN MILK INQUIRY

Farmers, Consumers and System of Delivery Here Are Blamed.

BUSINESS NOT PROFITABLE

Loss on Bottles Not Returned Declared to Be Enormous—Remedy for Unsatisfactory Service Is Suggested.

Cost of delivering milk to the homes, faults of the milk producers and the expenses attached to the business of retailing milk, little thought of by the general public, were among the subjects discussed at the meeting of the dairy committee, appointed in March, at the Commercial Club dinner.

H. H. Carey, of the Sanitary Milk Company; Robert Ireland, and William E. Graham, of the Portland Dairy Association, were in attendance and gave testimony to the committee from the viewpoint of the creamery man.

Notice had been sent by Dr. White to the various creamery men to be present at this meeting and give such information as would permit the committee to work out some sort of solution of the present difficulties—the shrinking of the industry, the difficulty of delivery and the improved condition of milk from a sanitary point of view.

Conditions Elsewhere Cited. In response to this Mr. Carey declared that he knew of the conditions in San Francisco and Los Angeles, and in both of these places the milkmen had created a selling-distributing agency by which the cost of the operation had been materially reduced, but that in the end the milk producer did not get any more for his product than he is getting here today.

He said that the small dealers in Portland were now selling milk to restaurants and hotels for much less than the dealers are paying for it. He said that his loss from collections amounted to 15 per cent, and the loss from broken bottles approximated 75 cents a month.

W. E. Graham, the next witness to give his experiences. He said that he had been in the dairy business for 22 years, and told of the methods in use now as compared with those of 22 years ago. He called attention to the fact that all of the changes have brought additional expense, while the cow has produced no more milk than she did 22 years ago.

He spoke with reference to the average. He was willing to admit that there were some progressive dairymen who were endeavoring to improve their methods and trying to get better milk, but as a whole he felt that the improvement was slight. He said that he handled about 1500 quarts of milk a day for what 500 quarts of cream. During March 2200 bottles were lost. Mr. Graham advocated a central delivery system, because it meant economy in the handling of the milk, and that it would be as well as better regulation. He criticized a recent assertion by Mr. Cotton that the producer was paid 4 cents for his milk, and that the retailer received about 3 cents a quart.

Books Quoted as Evidence.

Mr. Graham cited the following expenses and receipt account as a sample of bookkeeping which confronts the milkman in Portland.

Table with columns: No. of Av. Re-... In April, milk sold... Total... Expenses...

From This Table It Pointed out

that there was little left for the man who had his money tied up in the business. He spoke of country products selling straight to the hotels and restaurants in three-gallon cans for 50 cents a gallon, and said that the average bottle sold in a restaurant contained 10 or 15 ounces. He asserted that at 5 cents a bottle they would sell for 40 cents a quart, or 20 cents a gallon.

Farmers Are Blamed.

Robert Ireland asserted that the farmers were to blame in that they were keeping unproductive cows on high-priced land. He mentioned three cases in Ontario, where tests were made of herds in the country which showed 27 pounds a cow in one place, 15 pounds in another, and 10 1/2 in another. He said that the amount of money paid by the farmers had been misrepresented and that in November they had been paid \$2.41 an hundredweight, in December \$2.35, in January \$2.53, in February \$2.37, and in March \$2.34.

Spokane Seeks Advantage

Coast Shippers Charge Inland City With Plan to Kill Rivals.

TACOMA, May 5.—With Tacoma watching its attack from the railroads to competitive jobbers in Spokane, today's proceedings before the State Railroad Commission exposed the inland city's demands as calling for a combination of rate adjustments that would result in placing Puget Sound merchants at a disadvantage in their own territory.

PRINCIPALS IN RUNAWAY WEDDING TO TAKE FLOOR TODAY.



MISS GOLDA MEYER

CUPID TRAVELS FAR

California Girl Journeys 7000 Miles to Wed Here.

TENNIS STARTS ROMANCE

Friend of Miss Hazel Hotchkiss and Sutton Sisters, Eludes Mother in Europe and Comes to Portland to Marry Man of Choice.

After stealing away from her mother in Naples and traveling 7000 miles to wed the choice of her heart, Miss Golda Meyer, one of the prominent young women of San Francisco's younger social set, arrived in Portland last night and will become, this morning, the bride of Lee Worthington Gross, son of a prominent California family.

The marriage, to which it is understood the parents of both Mr. Gross and Miss Meyer are opposed, results from a romance that began in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, three years ago. Miss Meyer at that time was a participant in a tennis tournament in which Miss Hazel Hotchkiss and Miss May Sutton also played.

It was a case of love at first sight with Mr. Gross when he saw Miss Meyer deftly wielding the racket in the Golden Gate Tournament. Their acquaintance progressed rapidly and soon there was an engagement.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. Harry A. Littlefield, of Newberg, is at the Cornells.

E. J. Brough, an attorney of Rainier, Or., is at the Perkins.

F. N. McAllister, of Eugene, is registered at the Perkins.

L. L. Jewell, postmaster of Grants Pass, is at the Imperial.

Dr. Alfred Kinney, of Astoria, is staying at the Portland.

D. J. Hill, a druggist of Castle Rock, Wash., is at the Perkins.

R. H. Cowden, a lumberman of Silverton, is staying at the Oregon.

E. R. Bryson, an attorney of Eugene, is registered at the Cornells.

M. E. Lewis, a business man of Moscow, Idaho, is at the Oregon.

A. J. Johnson, a merchant of Corvallis, is registered at the Cornells.

William Polman, a capitalist of Baker, is staying at the Imperial.

F. L. Trilling, a leading business man of Yamhill, is at the Cornells.

C. B. Cannon, an attorney of Roseburg, is registered at the Imperial.

D. A. Parrish, a pioneer resident of Seaside, is registered at the Bowers.

Frank Roberts, a sheep man of Heppner, Or., is registered at the Perkins.

R. A. Hutchinson, a merchant of Gobel, Or., is registered at the Perkins.

J. E. Barnes, a sawmill operator of Centralia, is registered at the Cornells.

N. Peterson, a merchant of Grants Pass, registered yesterday at the Oregon.

Dr. D. A. Paine, president of the Eugene Commercial Club, is at the Imperial.

W. A. Johnson, a hardware dealer of The Dalles, is registered at the Imperial.

Waiter L. Toose, merchant of Falls City registered yesterday at the Imperial.

M. Stewart and S. C. Stewart, merchants of Dayton, Or., are registered at the Oregon.

H. R. Loughlin, a prominent land owner of Hermiston, Or., registered yesterday at the Bowers.

P. L. Campbell, of Eugene, president of the University of Oregon, registered yesterday at the Imperial.

Tull & Gibbs, Inc. Morrison, at Seventh. Watch Our Windows.

STORE OPENS THIS MORNING AT 9. REMAINS OPEN THIS EVENING UNTIL 9:30 O'CLOCK.

Remarkable Has Been the Response to Our Closing-Out Sale

Wonderful Are the Opportunities It Has Offered and Continues to Offer

Search the Records of Retail Merchandising in the West and You'll Find No Event to Compare With it in Value-giving, in Magnitude. Be Convinced That This Is Your Opportunity for Buying Dependable Furniture, Homefurnishings and Merchandise at Bottom Prices.

We Are Determined That Every Article of This \$500,000 Stock Shall Be Cleared by July the First, and We Have Marked It Accordingly

Brief Notes of Some of Today's Offerings in the Apparel Sections

\$5.95 and \$6.50 Silk Petticoats for \$3.39. Women's and Misses' Wash Dresses at Half Price, a new lot of them just received. \$2.75 to \$5.95 are their Regular Prices—They're to go at \$1.38 to \$2.98.

Table with columns: SOME OF OUR CLOSING OUT SALE PRICES ON DINING TABLES, CENTER TABLES—SOME OF THE PRICES: \$2.00 Table, golden oak finish, now \$1.00.

MORRIS CHAIRS LOWERED IN PRICE CONSIDERABLY.

Table with columns: \$14.00 Golden Oak Morris Chair, now \$9.00; \$18.00 Golden Oak Morris Chair, now \$14.75.

SOME OF OUR IRON BED PRICES:

Table with columns: \$5.50 full size Bed for \$3.25; \$12.75 full size Bed for \$9.95; \$11.00 full size Bed for \$7.50.

Toys and Dolls

All Going at HALF PRICE

Children's Vehicles at Cost, Autos, Coasters. The Glassware, Silverware and Crockery of Our Tea Room is on sale in Basement

The Entire Crockery Stock

SHOWS GREAT REDUCTIONS IN PRICE.

As an Example We Quote These Closing Out Prices in Basset's Best English Semi-Porcelain. Two Patterns. One a conventional daisy decoration in blue and gold. The other a poppy decoration in blue and gold.

Table with columns: 60c Bowls at 35c; 35c Creamers at 20c; 60c Sauce Boats at 35c.

Graniteware, Tinware, Kitchen and Laundry Helps, Lawn and Garden tools and a Hundred and One Other Things in the Basement Department at Closing Out Prices.

PATENTEE ON TRIAL

Jury Chosen to Hear Accusation of Perjury.

Charles A. Patterson, Convicted in 1909 of False Swearing and Sentenced to Term in Prison, to Have Another Chance.

THEFT OF IDEA CHARGED

Charles A. Patterson, convicted two years ago of having perjured himself in making application for a patent on a harness buckle, will be tried again before Federal Judge Bean Monday.

NOTED BANKER COMING

JAMES G. CANNON, OF NEW YORK, ARRIVES TODAY.

MORE WOMEN ARRESTED

Police Activity in April Sets New High Record.

SILENT INDIAN SENTENCED

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NORTHWESTERN PEOPLE IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, May 5.—(Special)—Pacific Northwest arrivals at New York hotels today were: From Portland—O. F. Graves, Mrs. O. F. Graves, and the Victorias.

DEPOSITORS TO GET \$120,000

Title Guarantee Dividend of 20 Per Cent Authorized by Court.

Depositors of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, which failed, are to receive another \$120,000 at once.

Telephone Receiver Discharged.

W. D. Tyler was finally discharged by Federal Judge Bean yesterday as receiver of the Northwestern Long-Distance Telephone Company, except as to the suit of the Northwestern Telephone Company.

When Emmons heard of it, in 1908, he made complaint.

A model whittled from a potato was introduced in evidence at the former trial.

Since the bank failed in 1907 and the receiver was appointed payments to depositors have been made periodically.

A 20 per cent dividend was paid February 4, 1910, and a 10 per cent dividend September 19, 1910.

The statute provides the form of oath the applicant for a patent must make.

The department required, however, that the applicant state whether he is the "sole" inventor or a "joint" inventor.

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From Spokane—Mr. and Mrs. Woodcock, at the Seville; E. McBride, Indian, Park Avenue; W. L. Ziegler, at the Victoria; R. L. Powell, at the Wolcott.

From Seattle—W. E. Boening, L. Cropper, H. Callahan, C. H. Hewitt, at the Ritz-Carlton; C. H. Cropper, H. Laupher, W. L. Parker, at the Empire.

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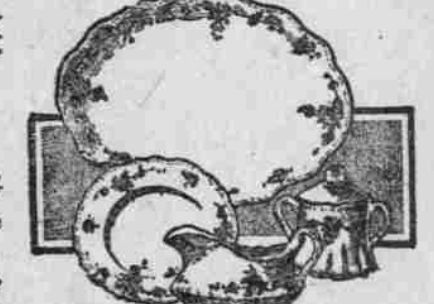


Table with columns: \$2.50 Soup Dishes, doz. \$1.60; \$1.50 Plates, 4-in., at doz. \$1.80.

Methods and Administration.

He has appeared before Congressional committees on several occasions to outline his views upon the currency and the banking methods.

Women vagrants arrested by the police in April numbered 45, this being a noticeable increase over ordinary months.

Options vary as to the influence the recent grand jury investigation had upon the increase.

Captain Slover and Patrolman Prassey went to a house at 335 Day street early yesterday morning and arrested Beatrice St. Clair, the proprietress; Mabel Kerk, an inmate, and E. R. Wilkins and J. F. Ryan, salesmen, who were visiting the place.

They were released on bail and secured a continuance in Municipal Court yesterday morning. An additional charge was placed against the St. Clair woman, of selling liquor without a city license.

Minnie Sullivan was arrested by Patrolmen Webster and Bewley at 5 1/2 North Second street, and Bessie Brown, a negress, was taken from 408 Hoyt street by Sergeant Goltz and Patrolman Burks.

She had opium in her possession. It being the second time that she was caught with the drug.

A disorderly woman at 184 Fourth street caused Patrolman Stanton to arrest Marguerite Miller, Mary Anderson, L. M. Sherwood and A. Fortin.

Eight years are required to bring the average coconut tree into bearing. There are usually 60 or 70 trees to the acre, and the profits from coconut culture are usually good.

S.S.S. NATURE'S TONIC

The need of a tonic in the Spring is almost universally recognized. Bodily fatigue, fickle appetite, poor digestion, nervousness, lack of energy, etc., prove that the proper amount of nourishment is not being supplied to the body through the circulation.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.