

## PORTLAND MILK IS DECLARED PUREST

Tests by Health Bureau Show  
High Rating for Dealers.

FEW BELOW 90 POINTS

Eighty-Seven of Dealers Who Are  
Delivering Score Above 90 and  
32 Are Rated Above 95.

Portland can continue to claim the cleanest and purest milk supply in the country, the latest tests made by the health department of the city bureau of health showing that out of a total of 117 milk distributors, 87 are delivering milk which scores above 90 points. Thirty-two milk distributors are delivering milk scoring above 95 points.

The tests were made under the supervision of Dr. W. D. Mack, chief of the milk division of the health bureau. In all cases the various samples taken from each distributor for test were obtained by the milk inspectors from the wagons during the course of regular delivery.

The results of the test, with the names of the dealers and the scores earned by the tests in the various classes of milk, are given as follows:

**Pasteurized Milk.**  
Ratings between 90 and 100 points—  
Fernwood dairy, 97; Riverview dairy, 97; Steigward Bros., 96.1.

Ratings between 90 and 95 points—  
Hawley dairy, 92.5; Home creamery, 94.9; Hylce dairy, 93.5; Independent creamery, 94.5; Modern dairy, 92.9; Pacific dairy, 91.5; Portland-Damascus, 92.2; Snowcap dairy, 92.5; Willamette dairy, 90.5.

Ratings below 90 points—  
Staverton dairy, 78.9; City dairy, 84.1; Cleveland creamery, 82.4; Oregon milk producers, 83.8; Sunrise dairy, 81.9; Sunset creamery, 81.4; Vetch Bros., 81.2; Vineland dairy, 80.9.

**Certified Milk.**  
Claverhill farms (delivered by Portland-Damascus, 92.2; delivered by Portland-Damascus, 92.2; delivered by Portland-Damascus, 92.2).

**Raw Milk Delivered by Producers.**  
Ratings between 90 and 95 points—  
Abbey, J. C., 90.4; Cadenaw, Frank, 97.6; Dinnia, Otto, 97; Elfrith, Mrs. A., 97.3; Fowler, Mrs. J., 96.1; Frazer, Mrs. J., 96.1; special 90, common 90.3; Geris, W. W., 94.4; Keenan, H. W., 97; Koster, R., 96.1; Lehman, Charles, 96.1; Louman, Fred, 96.3; Lucho, John, 96.3; Lucho, Mrs. J., 96.3; Nordstrom, L. G., 97.7; Olson, Eric, 95; Parker, A. W., 97; Piller, W. O., 96.3; Schott, A. C., 96.1; Seibert, W. J., 96.1; Starnes, C. A., 96.1; Van Allen Bros., 95.1; Warden & Hauser, special 97.4, common 95.9; Welsch, A. B., 95; Wilson, J. A., 95.3; Zart, 95.3; Zwart, Simon, 96.2.

Ratings between 90 and 95 points—  
Alston, A. F., 92.2; Anderson, John, 92.4; Bolmer, Chas., 91.7; Barrett, Mrs. 92.1; Behm, J., 94.1; Borchert, J. A., 92.1; Bruger, A., 94.1; Burger, George, 92.7; Coe, A. T., 92.2; Craun, J. O., 92.1; De Young, C. E., 92.1; Edger, John, 96.8; Erik & Arnold, 92.7; Hall, V. O., 90; Ganteborn, V. H., 91.9; Haines, A. J., 91.9; Haines, 90.7; Kendall, Rudolph, 90.4; Kell, William, 92.7; Kilian, J. M. and Mary, 90.4; Kiser, A., 90.3; Kousen, R., 90.3; Larsen, H. F., 91.3; Larsen, Fred, 90.3; Lucho, Henry, 92.7; Lutz, J. C., 90.3; Miller, A. C., 94.1; Meyer, M., 91.3; Miller, A., 94.1; Obriet, A., 94.9; Paulson, H., 92.6; Rath Bros., 92.9; Schmitt, J. B., 92.9; Simey, Rudolph, 91.7; Segel, A., 90; Simey, Charles, 92.1; Terney, Mrs. P. G., 90.5; Tautfest, M., 90.1; Walker, J., 94.1; Wilhelm, A., 94.5; Wilson, Gus, 94.7; Zinger, U., 91.7.

Ratings below 90 points—  
Neagle, J. T., 87.7; Burger, U., 80.3; Doney, R., 85.7; Fraley, Fred, 80.3; Gabriel, U., 81.5; Gaudin & Graham, 85.3; Gertsch, U., 89.1; Gesme, C., 80.3; Grayley & Sons, 88.8; Kehrli Bros., 80.3; Jones, Joe, 88.5; Kurio, S., 82.1; Nelson, N. P., 87.1; Miller, Fred, 81; Finney, S. E., 87.8; Portage, Peter, 80.2; Rath, John, 88.1; Reiser, H., 77.2; Suter Bros., 84.1; Wahl, R., 85.1; Walker, H., 88.8; Widmer & Sons, 87.8.

## FIRM'S NAME CHANGED

A. H. Birrell Company Becomes  
A. H. Birrell-Gill Company.

The A. H. Birrell company, Portland realty and financial concern, has announced that the name of the firm has been changed to the A. H. Birrell-Gill company. The new name indicates the name of the founder and president of the concern, A. H. Birrell, and also that of the vice-president, W. J. Gill.

The change, it is announced, is due to the desire of the firm to expand and take better care of its growing business interests. There will be no change in the personnel of the company as a result of the change of name and the policy of the company. It was announced, will continue the same.

Mr. Birrell yesterday said:

"In line with the development of the city and the years just ahead of us when Portland must realize advancement and growth along all lines, the A. H. Birrell-Gill company takes this step the better to attend to the interests of its many friends and customers."

The officers of the concern are: A. H. Birrell, president; W. J. Gill, vice-president; and A. J. McCann, secretary.

## PHONE RISE IS GRANTED

Malheur Company Petition Is Allowed by Commission.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special).—The Oregon public service commission today authorized the Malheur Home Telephone company to increase its rates an average of 10 per cent.

All classifications of service are affected. The company serves 650 subscribers and headquarters are located at Ontario. The order will become effective tomorrow.

## Bank Merger Approved.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special).—The state superintendent of banks today approved the application looking toward the consolidation of the Grants Pass Banking Company and the Josephine County bank, both of which are located at Grants Pass. The new institution will be known as the Grants Pass & Josephine County bank and will have capital stock aggregating \$75,000.

## CAUTION

Wrappers of the New Year's Edition of The Morning Oregonian today will bear this label:

NEW YEAR'S EDITION

Price will be 10 cents a copy; postage, 6 cents in the United States and possessions. All other foreign postage will be 12 cents.

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## Local News

Today society will greet the New Year with many parties and receptions. The old-fashioned, delightful at home will be observed in many of the residences of the city.

Waverley Country club will be "at home" at the clubhouse all this afternoon and a buffet luncheon will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Amy Donald will receive from 2:30 to 6:30 o'clock in their home on the heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Corbett will be at home this afternoon and Dr. M. C. Smith will receive from 3 to 10 P. M.

Miss Barbara Stanfield will have a New Year's at home for her young friends receiving from 3 to 5 o'clock at the Stanfield residence on West-over terrace.

Last night at the University club there was a merry New Year's eve party and at the Multnomah club the New Year was greeted by the clubmen and their guests.

For the season a round of entertaining is predicted. Weddings and teas will be among the most important of the events of the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Marx of the Alvarado apartments have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Francis Marx of San Francisco.

One of the smart affairs for members of the younger set was a dancing party given on Thursday evening by Miss Dorothy Mettsch, who entertained in the Multnomah hotel. About 125 young people shared the pleasures of the evening. Mrs. Phil Mettsch received with her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith presided at a merry New Year's eve party last night, entertaining several of the younger married folk and a number of society matrons and bachelors.

Mr. Thomas Martin Joyce will be master of honor; Miss Vera O'Brien, maid of honor; Miss Mary Therkelsen, bridesmaid; William Healey, best man; Joseph Campbell, Thomas Earl Young and Cachot Davis of San Francisco, ushers, and Cachot Therkelsen will give the sister in marriage. Rose Fredrick Grange will sing and Robert Macdonald will play the violin. Frederick Goodrich will preside at the organ. The bride will be a vision of loveliness in a smartly modeled robe of ivory satin with rare lace and pearls. Her touseau is one of the loveliest of the season and includes many attractive costumes. After the church ceremony there will be a wedding breakfast for the bride party at the Multnomah hotel. In the evening the bride's mother, Mrs. L. W. Therkelsen, will entertain for the couple at a reception in the hollyhock room of the Multnomah and there will be dancing in the rose ballroom.

Since the announcement of her engagement Miss Therkelsen has been extensively feted as she is exceedingly popular. Recent hostesses honoring her were Mrs. Jerry Newman, Mrs. Herbert Thomas (Mabel O'Brien) and Mrs. Irving Stearns. The Misses Therkelsen were at home on Tuesday at an informal tea at Rosefield apartments.

Mr. Thomas Martin Joyce who will be master of honor at the wedding, entertained charmingly for Miss Therkelsen when the engagement was announced.

Among the engagements announced during the holidays was that of Miss Louise Stearns and Henry Heath Jr. The announcement was made Christmas night when Mr. and Mrs. David S. Stearns entertained about 50 relatives and friends in honor of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hasbrouck of Corvallis, brother and brother-in-law of Mrs. Stearns, who, with their family, spent the holidays here.

The wedding is to take place February 17 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stearns, whose anniversary is also on that date.

The engagement of Dr. David M. Olson of Astoria and Miss Mina Holland, a nurse, also of Astoria, was announced at a dinner given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Christie.

Summer Relief corps has postponed its meeting for tonight until Saturday evening, January 3.

were 43,050 employed in the district. The number of men employed at the present time is reported to be as follows: Metal trades, 2,900; building trades, 5,000; food packing, 7,000; textile manufacturing, 2,200; leather manufacturing, 700; auto building and accessories, 5,000; lumber production and woodwork, 7,000; clay, glass and cement work, 250.

The comparative assessment roll figures are as follows:

State, 1920, 1919; County, 1920, 1919; City, 1920, 1919; School district, 1920, 1919.

The county's estimated expenditures of \$2,736,529.88 are to be provided for in the following manner:

Miscellaneous receipts from fees, salaries, taxes, bonds, etc., \$425,000.00; Receipts from the state market fund, 100,000.00; County levy for purposes other than the payment of bonded debt, 1,675,000.00; County levy for the payment of bonded debt and interest, 178,125.00.

Total, \$2,736,529.88.

Operations Here Ended

Wichita Great Western Underwriters Withdraw After Probe.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special).—Following an examination into the affairs of the Wichita Great Western underwriters of Wichita Falls, Tex., by Paul L. Woolston of Denver, representative of the insurance departments of the states of Oregon, Washington, Colorado and Texas, the corporation today voluntarily withdrew from operating in this state.

A. C. Barber, state insurance commissioner of Oregon, said today that the affairs of the corporation apparently were in tangled condition, but that the policy holders in this state probably were fully protected against loss. Unless the corporation withdraws voluntarily it will be debarred from operating in other states represented in the investigations, according to Mr. Barber.

Edlefson's wishes you a happy 1921.

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## County's Budget For 1921 Adopted

Pleas and Objections of Taxpayers Are Futile.

TOTAL SUM \$2,726,529.88

People of Portland Will Pay 44.8 Mills on Assessed Value of All Property This Year.

Adoption of the budget for Multnomah county for 1921, with no changes from the tentative programme, was accomplished by the commissioners yesterday, following the annual hearing of pleas and objections of taxpayers. Provision for the expenditure of \$2,726,529.88 for the county administration in the coming year brought the total millage to be assessed against the people of Portland to 44.8 mills, as against 36.8 for 1920.

More than 50 taxpayers attended the meeting to make final requests for pet projects. Although the county definitely turned down a committee from the Rose Festival auxiliary, asking for \$40,000 for a 18-foot pavement in the terminal beyond St. Johns, A. C. Callan, chairman, set forth that this was the most important project put through during the year by the commission. It has been learned from the roadmaster's office that it will cost \$1800 a year to keep the macadamized extension in good condition and that an 18-foot pavement would mean an expenditure of \$40,000. To put on 35 feet of hard surfacing would mean \$80,000. The matter was passed.

A plea to reconsider the matter of operating the county fair at Gresham failed to get by, as also did a request for \$70,000 for relief of the poor presented by Ben Selling.

The items which make up the levy for Portland this year and the amount of millage each is entitled to report by the executive a year ago to report upon the many charitable organizations and recommend any legislation to the end of eliminating duplication of effort.

Your committee, after consideration of diverse methods which might be resorted to that end, is disposed to recommend as the most promising and available means that the social work department of the University of Oregon be invested by statute with the necessary power to make inquiry into both the sources and objects of public charitable expenditure in the state of Oregon, to conduct an exhaustive study on the law and practice of public charity in Oregon during the next two years and to submit the results of the same with recommendations to the legislature in 1923; meanwhile to communicate its findings in fact, and such recommendations as it may deem proper, as rapidly as they are made, to the governor for use by all the various charitable organizations of the state.

Licenses Bring \$5218.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special).—Linn county collected \$5218.25 from the sale of game licenses during 1920. The sum of \$2614.50 was received from

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