

PROFITEER IS HAD TO PULL DOWN

Women at Sea After Hearing Tradesmen's Stories.

EACH JUSTIFIES SELF

Federation at Portland Hotel Meeting Unable to Lay High Price Blame on Anyone.

Where, oh, where is the profiteer? The 200 or more delegates at the meeting of the Portland federation of women's organizations held yesterday in the assembly room of the Portland hotel went on a hunt for the wily profiteer. They found his footprints and traces of his vicious acts, but the offender himself they could not identify.

Mrs. Alexander Thompson presided and called upon Mrs. J. P. Chapman, president of the housewives' council, who gave a report of the progress made by herself and committee in their investigation of prices, costs, production and distribution.

Mrs. Chapman said that the milk distributors had shown her that they had to contend with the high cost of milk bottles, the fact that women didn't return to the store for the delivery men nor got good wages, that motor trucks and many other features of modern day distribution made the expense very great.

She said that bakers had explained the reason why they had to charge as they did, and their reason, while they hadn't entirely convinced her, had been quite logical.

She spoke of the great number of eggs in storage, and that because of them fresh eggs are being held at high prices, and she recalled the reasons given by apartment house owners for higher rents, and said that while rents went up service went down.

She said that one reason for the high cost of living nowadays is that the United States is trying to take care of two or three other countries, and she is striving; that there now is an underproduction, merchants not being able to get the goods and services that people are extravagant; that labor today is not producing what it can and should, and that, summing up, the cause of the high cost of living is "living too high."

Costliest Jewelry Wanted. Mr. Jaeger said, for instance, in his line of business, platinum workers who, many of them, can't speak, read or write English, and he said that he, whereas there is little demand for gold workers. But women must have this jewelry, and he said that he and his wife are willing for them to do so.

Up popped Mrs. T. Nard, president of the Portland Parent-Teacher association, and said: "I would like to see a man who is willing to give up his present-day wage."

Mr. Jaeger declared that any man getting present-day wages is only 10 per cent if he is reasonably careful. He said he had married on a very small salary, but he had saved \$10 a month right at the start.

Miss Viola Ortschild declared that the reason why women demand good shoes is because the best ones are not last, and she said that there now is great extravagance in hosiery and other luxuries, and it creates a spirit of envy and rivalry. The extravagance of the youth of today who buys a silk suit for \$10 to \$12 was mentioned by Mr. Jaeger as an evidence of the way the easy come, easy go, dollar is spent.

Mrs. Ida B. Callahan, state federation president, was a guest of the city federation. She said that the state federation were the Overlook, Fortnightly, Portland Woman's union and the American War Mothers.

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WELL-KNOWN ACTOR TO BE SEEN IN COMEDY HERE.

James Gleason, former Baker player, returning to the stage, will appear in a comedy here. He is known to many of the city's theatrical patrons in Portland, and he is returning to the stage in several seasons. Mr. Gleason is coming in George M. Cohan's "A Prince in the Park" at the Hotel. He is playing the title role and his wife, Lucille Webster, is also in the company. The cast is intact, just as it was for its long run in New York and Chicago.

The story is a Comedized version of Duffass Aldrich's novel, "Enchanted Hearts," well known to readers of popular fiction, and the leading character is that of a New York millionaire who becomes embittered with the world and is endeavoring to drown his imaginary sorrows in the flowing bowl. It is through the instrumentality of a little girl, a waiflike creature, that he is led to see a better mode of life and to learn the truth of the old adage that there are greater things in the world than riches.

are continually visiting the exhibit with instructors to make a study of the development of the industry in Oregon. The exhibit is also being visited daily by an increasing number of business men and women who are interested in the flax industry and its present development in Oregon. Every phase of the business from flax growing to linen products is exemplified, and among the exhibits are some spinning wheels and looms that are arousing much interest.

HOOD WOMEN ASK NURSE

County Court to Be Asked to Aid in Movement. HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 8.—(Special.)—Members of the Hood River Woman's club have initiated a movement to obtain a visiting nurse for Hood River county. It is proposed to obtain, from the approaching Hood River county drive for 1920 memberships, that portion of the fund allotted to the nursing chapter. The county court will be asked to include funds for the work in the budget of next year.

The county's civic committee has been active, and the chairman, Mrs. C. O. Huelst, reports that plans have been made for the construction of dressing huts for swimmers on Columbia sloughs. The women also aim to improve the old Serpentine road, connecting the lower city with the east heights residence section.

OFFICERS NAMED FOR NEW STUDENT BODY ORGANIZATION OF Y. M. C. A. DAY SCHOOLS.

The student body of the Portland Y. M. C. A. day schools has been organized, with Royce Greatwood as president, Thomas Graham, vice-president; Claude Robinson, secretary, and Phillip Krieger, treasurer. When it became known to Mr. Greatwood that it was the desire of the boys to have an organization, he took the initiative and soon had plans under way which developed into the formation of the new student body having a definite purpose.

The organization has a social and athletic committee and will take an active part in student affairs. It is expected that a strong basketball team will be produced and other features will be encouraged.

ENGLISH AUTHOR TO APPEAR IN PORTLAND.

Frederick L. Rawson. The Realization league will present Frederick L. Rawson, English inventor, author and scientist, in a series of lectures to be given in Portland December 13 to 16, inclusive. Dr. Rawson was formerly a member of the Christian Science church. He is now at the head of an international movement of which the Portland Realization league is a part. He is expected to visit this city next month will be while on a visit of inspection to the city.

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Wash.: Truman Collins, Portland; Dewey Probst, Eugene; Elmer Street, Canas, Wash.; Orlo Gilliet, Tangent; Vernon Sackett, Sheridan; Verne Ferguson, Bremerton, Wash.; Christopharians: Harold Miller, Edwain Noren, William Vinson and Philip Johnson, all of Portland; Rodney Alden, Virgil Anderson, Lockport, Ore.; Oscar Payne, Echo; Leland Lynn, Silverton; Verol Zeller, Sunnyside; Edward Warren, Bayton; Edwain Notson, Hopner; Bernard Ramsey, Madras; William Baker, Spokane; Charles Gilchrist, Gold Hill; John Broughton, Scotts Bluff, Neb.; and William Scott, Clatskanie, Olympha, Wash.

PAVING IS NOT OPPOSED

Winlock Would Be Connected With Highway by Improvement. CHEHALIS, Wash., Nov. 8.—(Special.)—The proposal to pave the main highway leading from Winlock to Cowlitz stores five miles east, under the Donahoe road law, is moving forward nicely. Yesterday afternoon the county commissioners held a hearing on the subject and there was a good attendance of property owners in the improvement district affected.

The proposed improvement calls for an 18-foot concrete pavement. The completion of this work next year will connect Winlock with the Pacific highway. Citizens of Napavine are now advising a plan for a connection of that town with the Pacific highway on the road by the Emery & Nelson sawmill.

Driver Arrested for Noise.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. 8.—(Special.)—Use of his horn to drum up passengers caused the arrest yesterday of E. H. Johnson, Tacoma stage driver. The mild use of the horn has not been considered cause for arrest, but Johnson worked the game too insistently, so was taken in. His case has not yet been heard.

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