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THE MILKING MACHINE.

THE PRACTICABILITY of milking by the use of mechanical milkers has been a question in the economy of the dairy since the first introduction of such machinery, and their operation has been watched with interest by every one associated with agricultural advancement. And now that the demand for pure and clean milk is becoming insistent, the public at large wants to know about the milking machine.

A milking machine plant was installed at the Nebraska agricultural experiment station for the purpose of investigation in October, 1908. Since that time a number of experimental trials have been made, and careful records have been kept of their use in the university dairy. A bulletin just issued by the university contains complete data on the subject and sets forth the following conclusions:

Some cows are not adapted to machine milking.

Alternate hand and machine methods of milking have a detrimental effect upon the milk flow.

Manipulation of the udder is absolutely necessary in some instances before all the milk can be drawn by the machine.

One man operating one machine can milk about the same number of cows per hour as one man milking by hand. Two men operating four machines can practically do the work of three men milking by hand.

Two operators with four machines milked twenty-one cows per hour in the university dairy.

It was found necessary to thoroughly wash and boil the milking machine parts after each usage in order to produce milk with as low a bacterial content as that resulting from careful methods of hand milking.

Washing the machines at irregular intervals or simply drawing water through them will increase the bacterial content of the milk even above poor methods of hand milking.

The man operating the milker must thoroughly understand the care and management of dairy stock. He should also be persistent in the attention to details in order to obtain the best results.

From these studies the experimenters believe that the milking machine is fitted for large herds rather than small ones, and that it would be impracticable to install them where fewer than thirty cows are milked the year round. Nor is there anything in the showing strongly to commend the machine as a means to a better milk supply. The balance is but slightly in its favor.

ADVICE TO COOS BAY ON ROAD BUILDING

The Portland Oregonian says: Coos county, deprived of railway communication with the outside world and with roads that may truthfully be said to be the "worst ever," has decided to spend a considerable sum of money on the Coos Bay wagon road, over which the mails are carried. This decision is one that has been long overdue. With a mail route impossible to vehicles in the winter upon which shippers flounder up to their bodies, with mail sacks strapped to their backs, it is indeed high time that the people should come to their own relief in the matter of road construction.

One of the richest communities in the state, Coos is practically an alien in so far as her interests are joined by traffic, or even by prompt

and efficient mail delivery, to those of other sections. So far as her commercial interests are concerned, Coos belongs to California. Ocean traffic has alone aided in her development, and made possible her substantial growth. The Coos Bay wagon road is a terror, even in memory, to those whom business or other exigency were compelled to use it in times past. Yet it is said to be possible, and, indeed, not extremely difficult, to make of this highway a good mountain road, passable at all seasons of the year.

Long delayed effort looking to this end has been organized, and with a construction fund of \$17,000 behind it, should succeed. Stone and plank will be combined in this construction, and the less there is of the latter the better for the enterprise. A splintered plank road, sagging and loose in places, as the best built road of this class soon becomes, is the worst possible excuse for a thoroughfare—the old corduroy and brush road of the pioneer era being no exception.

ONE CENT POSTAGE.

Now there is a movement on foot to give us a postal rate of one cent per ounce on our letters within the home domain. This will help some. There would seem to be nothing quite so free from objection as this: no trust is interfered with; no man nor firm nor company, corporate, or otherwise, will lose by the reduction; it is simply a matter of governmental interest; it will be a universal concession, if only Uncle Sam can run this particular department with the abated revenue.

It has been talked of for many years, but always failed because the postal authorities declared they could not maintain the service upon any such rate. Other countries do it, have done it for a long time; but few of them had to face such extraordinary distances in despatching their mails as we have. But all the same we would like to see it tried out. The people are entitled to every possible concession that can be made them, and this is one of the expected things.

ACTRESS KILLS WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE BILL IN KANSAS

Daughter of Judge Ryan Tells Him to Vote Against Measure and He Does.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 25.—Miss Moss D. Ryan, a vaudeville actress, is directly responsible for the defeat of the woman's suffrage bill in the Kansas Legislature. The actress, who is a daughter of Judge S. L. Ryan of Hiawatha, a member of the Kansas Legislature, spent last week with her father in Topeka.

The last night she was there the bill asking that women be given equal voting rights with men in Kansas came up. Judge Ryan turned to his daughter as the roll of legislators was being called.

"How would you vote?" he asked, jokingly.

"I'd vote against it," the daughter replied. "I don't believe politics is the place of women. It cheapens them in the eyes of men, and, anyway, politics isn't woman's sphere."

"Guess you're right," the father replied. Judge Ryan's name was called and he rose.

"I've talked to only one woman about this," he said. "She is my daughter and she said to vote against it. So that's the way I shall vote."

The result showed that the bill had lost, 55 to 57. Had Judge Ryan not taken his daughter's advice, the result would have been a tie.

RECORD HEN TO BE EXHIBITED.

Albany Plymouth Rock Will Be Feature on Demonstration Train.

ALBANY, Ore., March 25.—The hen belonging to A. S. Hart of this city, which recently won the championship of the world by laying 256 eggs in a year, will be exhibited throughout the state on the next demonstration train to be sent out by the Oregon Agricultural College and the Southern Pacific.

Hart has sent this hen and another, which laid 244 eggs in its first laying year, to Corvallis to accompany the train, which goes out next week. Both of the hens are Banded Plymouth Rocks.

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ANON.

It always amuses a Coos Bay woman to see a man fan himself.

The poorer the family the more romantic names given the children.

You never can tell how wide a swath a man can cut by his cradle.

Men and women who have been brought up as pets are always disagreeable.

About the only satisfaction poorly married women have is that they are not old maids.

A Lompoc, Cal., physician advertises himself as a "general specialist." Can you beat it?

A Coos Bay woman on a vacation usually leaves more clothes at every place she stops than a man takes with him.

Mr. Taft's private secretary is named Carpenter, and he can be relied on to keep the official at in good condition.

"Where," asks the Nebraska State Journal, "will you go to find a better winter climate than Nebraska?" That's easy. Coos Bay, is the answer.

The Texas law which provides that ten days' notice must be given by people desiring to get married will at least give some hasty couples a chance to become better acquainted.

At a western army post an Austrian named Joseph Joseph has applied for enlistment, and the officers don't know what to call him. Why not "Jo-Jo" and let it go at that?

"What the public expects of me," says Pugilist James J. Jeffries, "I shall try to do." Thanks, Jim. Then we may hope to have nothing but silence from your corner hereafter!

A Los Angeles woman wants a divorce because she says a scratch on her husband's nose was inflicted by her rival. With such an invasion of sacred wife privilege no wonder she sued!

The postal authorities have ruled that pie may be mailed if properly boxed. They might have made the decision still more valuable by ruling that it must be properly baked in the first place.

"The man who is eating three meals a day regularly and yet complains of hard times deserves no sympathy," declares the Rochester Post-Express. Not so quick, brother. He may not be able to digest the meals.

The body of a man was found on a roadway near Westfield, Mass., with his severed head ten feet away, but the coroner decided that there were no evidences of foul play. No doubt he has seen other men lose their heads.

Common Profanity.

"I'll be damned!" said the ham.
"I'll be switched!" said the train.
"I'll be darned!" said the work.
"I'll be stumped!" said the tree.
"I'll be blown!" said the horn.
"I'll be hanged!" said the picture.
"I'll be damned!" said the stream.

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