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## New Dairy and Food Laws

On May 22 a new law went into effect which comprises a revision of practically all the food and dairy laws previously on our statutes. A few new laws were also added. Following is a synopsis of the important changes that food vendors and manufacturers will have to observe in the future:

### Sanitary Code.

The sanitary code consisting of Sections 81 to 90, inclusive, of Chapter 343, Laws of 1915, provides for certain sanitary restrictions in every place where food products are handled. It gives the commissioner power to close any establishment that is unclean, unhealthful and unsanitary.

### Sidewalk Display Prohibited.

Sidewalk display of food is prohibited, except in show cases. Exception is made in the case of food products that necessarily have to be peeled, pared or cooked before they are fit for consumption.

### Meat Must Be Covered.

All meat, while being handled

through any street or thoroughfare, must be covered with a clean cover. All places where food products are handled must be thoroughly screened, and sleeping in the kitchen of the little restaurant or other establishment where food is prepared is prohibited.

### Fifth Deemed an Adulteration.

"Filthy" is one term used in defining conditions under which foods shall be deemed adulterated. "Filthy" is defined in the same section as applying to "food not securely protected from flies, dust, dirt, and, as far as may be necessary, by all reasonable means from all foreign or injurious contamination."

### Correct Labels.

Correct labeling of all food products, giving the consumer knowledge of the contents, is made necessary by the new law; and concoctions of ether, coal tar dye, glucose and other substances can no longer be sold as extracts, soda waters, syrups, jellies or other food or drink unless they are labeled with the word "artificial" in type as large as any other on the label.

### Peace and Police Officer.

Any police or peace officer, whether city, town or state officer, is given authority to enter any place where food products are handled and report conditions to the district attorney.

### Slaughter House Regulations.

The law provides that no animal that is past the three-fourths period of pregnancy shall be slaughtered for food purposes. Hogs shall not be fattened on uncooked offal, and if kept or fed in the vicinity of any slaughter house shall be kept 150 feet away.

### Standard for Milk.

The standard for total solids in milk is reduced from 9 per cent to 8.5 per cent. Heretofore the only standard for butter was that which provided a maximum moisture content of 16 per cent. The new law provides, in addition to the moisture standard, a minimum of 80 per cent of pure milk fat.

### Butter Defined.

The law also defines creamery butter, dairy butter, storage butter, reworked butter and renovated butter, and specifies how each shall be labeled. All butter must have the place of manufacture and the net weight on the wrapper, in addition to the words "Oregon Creamery Butter,"

"Dairy Butter," "Storage Butter," as the case may be. Dairy butter must have in addition the name of the manufacturer. If butter is manufactured outside the state it must have on each wrapper the name of the place of manufacture or the place from which it is consigned or shipped. Any person receiving butter from outside of the state must report the same to the commissioner. The device known as the Oregon state brand is abolished and its use after January 1, 1916, is unlawful.

**Creameries' and Testers' Licenses.**  
All persons purchasing milk or cream except those doing so for private purposes must have a license to do so, and must employ a licensed tester to test the product.

**Medicinal Stock Food.**  
All persons selling medicinal stock foods, tonics or regulators intended to be fed to livestock or poultry must take out a license, and all packages must be labeled with the name of each ingredient. Every manufacturer or dealer before offering or exposing for sale medicinal stock food within the state of Oregon must file with the dairy and food commissioner a certified copy of the label.

**Eggs Must Be Branded.**  
Chapter 272, Laws of 1915, provides that all eggs shall be branded on the case, box or carton with the name of the state or province where produced.

All food and drink manufacturers and vendors using foreign eggs in their products must erect a sign three feet in length and six inches in height, and persons selling foreign eggs must erect signs six feet in length and one foot in height. Every cake or pie containing any foreign eggs must also be labeled.

### Foreign Meat Must Be Branded.

Chapter 212, Laws of 1915, provides for about the same placarding of all places where foreign meat is offered for sale as is provided for eggs.

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## Valley Pioneer Crosses Divide

Medford Sun: "Uncle Vint Beal" died Saturday morning, July 17, at his home near Central Point, where he has lived for practically an even half century. He was in his 85th year. Probably no other pioneer of the valley has been better known or more generally beloved.

His full name was Robert Vinton Beall. He was born in Montgomery county, Maryland, June 15, 1831; was of Scotch ancestry. With his parents he moved to Sangamon county, Illinois, in 1834. With his brother, Thomas F. Beal, he arrived at Oregon City on the 18th day of July, 1852. They had made the trip with a six-mule team from St. Joseph, Mo., in 78 days. So far as is known this is the shortest time in which this trip was made by any of the early settlers.

Like the other pioneers, Mr. Beal was drawn here by reports of gold discoveries, and he at once engaged in placer mining in Josephine county. On September 27, 1852, he came across the mountains from Josephine county to Jacksonville, where he likewise engaged in mining. He has often said that his first view of the Rogue River valley was from the hills back of Jacksonville and that it was the most beautiful sight that he had ever beheld.

He and his brother Tom operated a pack train from Oregon City to Jacksonville and teamed and freighted from Crescent City, Cal., to Jacksonville. At this time the boat service from San Francisco to Crescent City and the river transportation to Oregon City offered the best means of transportation of supplies of the valley.

Subsequently the Beal brothers settled upon adjoining farms, near what is now the town of Central Point. They had practically the entire valley from which to select, and they certainly made no mistake. They threw their rail fences around what is undoubtedly the most fertile and one of the most beautiful spots in the valley.

On April 19, 1864, Vinton Beal was married to Ann Maria Riddle at the farm now known as Glenbrook, in Douglas county, Oregon. At this time he was 33 years of age and his bride was 17. They have lived together for the past 51 years. There are two children, with the widow, surviving him, Mary Strang of Medford and Robert Vinton Beal, who lived with his parents at the old home.

Vinton Beal was the ideal type of the Rogue River valley pioneer. He was a man of very strong convictions, outspoken, fearless, and yet always kind and considerate of others. He was particularly progressive. He was one of the many pioneer contributors to the expense incident upon Ben Holliday's first survey for the Oregon & California railroad through Jackson county. In the earlier days of his activity he was prominently identified with every public movement and enterprise. He was a bundle of energy, and his good nature

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### Our National Wealth.

Most people in this country were startled last month to read, in a statement issued by the census bureau at Washington, that our national wealth is now estimated at the sum of \$1,955 for every man, woman and child in the country. The bureau did not issue these figures as "a close approximation" to actual facts, but they are declared to be the best that could be compiled from existing data, and they could fairly be compared with a similar estimate published eight years ago. The figures indi-

cated that in less than two-thirds of a century—that is, from 1850 to 1912—the total wealth of the country, exclusive of real estate exempt from taxation, had increased from \$7,136,000,000 to \$175,426,000,000, or from \$268 per capita to \$1,825 per capita. Stated in another way, the figures show that the wealth of the nation as a whole has increased since 1850 almost twenty-five times, and the wealth of the individual about six times. The real estate exempt from taxation was estimated at \$12,314,000,000, or \$125 per capita. This real estate embraced buildings, lands and public works owned by federal, state or local governments, and such property as was devoted to educational, charitable and religious work under conditions that exempted it from taxation.

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