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When the new pure milk ordinance was framed and presented to the council, Mayor Simon promised that the state dairy commissioner would cooperate.

INCREASE OF FREIGHT RATES

NEARLY ALL the high officials of the big railroads of the country are insisting that there must be an advance in freight rates, owing to demands for higher wages of employes, increased cost of materials and improvements, and diminished receipts due to attempted national and state regulation.

Whether increased freight rates are justifiable, for the reasons stated, is a question of fact that the ordinary business man or newspaper cannot answer positively.

To mention only a few instances, the net revenues of the Union Pacific for the three months ending September 30, 1909, were \$12,311,998, an increase of \$1,833,989 over the corresponding three months of 1908.

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ments, and to have ample funds for improvements; but they will not submit without protest to a general rise of freight rates without a conclusive and convincing showing that it is reasonable and necessary.

FOR ANOTHER GRAFT

IF ANY MEMBER of the Oregon delegation supports the Ship Subsidy graft, now on its way in the house at Washington, he will misrepresent the sentiment of his state.

But it is said the subsidy graft has a good chance of passage. That it will do so is likely, for it is the habit of representative bodies to misrepresent the wishes of the great body of the people, and to distribute the favors to the few.

They secure legislation for instance like the heavy duty for the sugar trust, and how little that legislation was deserved is seen in the \$18,000,000 to \$30,000,000 stolen from the government by this same beneficiary through short weights at the ports of entry.

ILLINOIS AND OREGON

EFFORTS ARE being made again in Illinois to get a primary law that will amount to something and yet will stand the test in the courts, but some Chicago politicians are trying to defeat such a law, and alluding to their action the Record-Herald, ordinarily a Republican newspaper, but not an organ, says: "The caucus or conference or preliminary something or other that was held on Tuesday by a few members of the Cook county Republican committee to discuss the possibility of returning to soapbox primaries under another name illustrates the fatuous folly of so-called practical politicians."

This language would apply very well to the "smoker" held some weeks ago in Portland, as also will the following: "The plotting spoilsmen in Cook county, who dislike direct primaries because they give the people a chance, are wasting their breath and making themselves ridiculous.

The Record-Herald further says that the legislature "must pass a sound and 'square' primary measure," for "the voters of Illinois are not unaware of the drift of things in other states, and they have no intention of going backward to please a handful of selfish and reactionary spoilsmen."

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voice in their affairs have been retired from office. And what is worse, they can never get back in again. However, we agree with Mr. George that there is no urgent need of a constitutional convention.

THE RECLAMATION PROJECT

THE OUTLOOK for a bond issue to carry on reclamation work is not very bright. Senator Carter, the chairman of the senate committee on irrigation, appears to be opposed to it, and inclined to defeat it unless he can frame up a law for which he will get sole credit.

George R. Maiby of New York is a Cannon Republican serving his second term in congress. For 12 years before coming to congress he was in the legislature at Albany. He had been speaker of the house and later a power in the state senate. He knew every ally of Albany politics. Maiby could have turned the trick. Later when Cannon was in the senate, Maiby, a new man serving his second term, was found on appropriations and judiciary, two of the most important committees, to which members with four times Maiby's length of service aspire in vain.

It is generally agreed that increased gold production is one cause of prevailing high prices. As standard money increases in quantity, it takes more of it to buy products. The government mint is supposed to be an authority on gold production, but its figures are always, perhaps necessarily, about a year behind. Those for 1908, recently given out, show the world's output for that year to be \$441,932,200, which is \$31,376,900 more than that of 1907.

Henry E. Dixey, who became a stage actor and made his greatest hit a quarter of a century ago in "Adonis," which began his meteoric career in Chicago and ran 600 nights in New York, is 51. By birth he is a Bostonian. J. Medill Patterson, the youthful playwright and author, who forsook the traditions of his wealthy family and turned socialist, is 31. He talked out in meeting when he was a bareheaded member of the Illinois legislature just after he had reached his majority.

Congressmen who don't stand pat with Aldrich and Cannon are going to be deprived of patronage pie, it is reported. There is to be a penalty if a congressman tries to serve the people instead of the interests. He must say nothing to displease the leaders who are legislating for the trusts, corporations and combinations, or suffer the loss of advantageous committee positions and customary patronage.

Ballinger and Pinchot

From the Omaha World-Herald. Secretary Ballinger and his powerful friends in the administration and the senate have been busy lately in the temper of the people if they think they can satisfy, by a senate whitewash, the demand for a genuine investigation of the secretary and his department. And if they are planning a senate investigation in which Pinchot is to be the main feature, they are making a mistake.

The report of the secretary of the treasury discloses a considerable number of custom houses that "cost more than they come to." At Annapolis only \$0.99 was collected for the fiscal year, at a cost of \$956; at Alexandria \$10 was collected, at a cost of \$1224; at York, Maine, the collections amounted to only \$7.30, at Natchez \$11.05, and at several other ports amounts less than \$100. The average cost of collecting \$1 in a total of 16 custom houses is \$23. This looks like very poor economy, but possibly it is necessary to maintain some surveillance at these ports to prevent smuggling.

The big dollar mark on the face of the "head of the money trust" in the Oregonian's cartoon this morning also makes the letters "H. S.", the initials of the editor of that paper, and it may be observed that the features and expression closely resemble his. It looks as if Murphy had been cartooning the "old man" with a large degree of success, and with much fidelity to fact.

Cannon and Committee Appointments

By Mark Sullivan in Collier's Weekly. When Cannon, last March, had the hardest fight of his political life, 323 Democrats came to his rescue and saved him from humiliating defeat. Six months later, in October, Congressman Parsons of New York made a public statement,

Parsons is no insurgent; he is a straight out party man, chairman of the New York County, Albany county, committee. Parsons charged that Cannon was the beneficiary of a corrupt bargain with Tammany. Tammany had helped Cannon at Washington; Cannon, through an upstate Republican congressman, had helped Tammany.

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The REALM FEMININE

What an Example is Worth. D parents stop to consider that the example which they set in their own lives, is a more powerful corrective with their children than the laws of good behavior which are set forth by word of mouth.

A child of two or three years old is making observations all the time and what it sees and hears its parents doing will sooner or later crop out in its own speech or action and become a portion of the foundation for its conduct in the years to come.

As is often said children are unconsciously imitators. Fabulous manners, vulgarities, expressions of opinion, and manners of speech come forth unexpectedly to dumfounded parents who never dreamed that the child had observed and retained the memory of what it had seen and heard.

A baby girl of little over a year, who could not walk, was frequently playing on the floor one day, and suddenly horrified her mother by uttering a good round of profanity when she could not get a large cork in a small bottle. The profanity used was an exact copy of that indulged in some time before by her father when the kitchen stovepipe would not go up right. He had never dreamed that the baby would understand and the surprise was that she not only understood but understood well enough to use the profanity at a time when it is supposed to do the most good.

Another striking example of the same idea was to be found in a certain neighborhood city block where one particular little girl of eleven or twelve was the pest of the block because she was such a little gossip and saw and heard everything that was going on. The child could not walk, and she was continually in her mother's arms. Her mother allowed her to hear all the family comment on the neighbors as well as all the back fence and front walk conversations of her mother with the various women in the block.

The mother herself was a lovely woman and her expression of opinion was fairly well posted on all current events. Yet such knowledge and conversations as the mothers, when indulged in by a girl of 12, become a more serious affair and if the mother does not realize it she is going to have raised a child who is one of the most dreaded of all women, a busy body gossip. That mother would probably be astonished beyond belief if she would waken up to the harm her example is doing her girl who naturally thinks if her mother does it it is all right.

One of the proud boasts of boyhood is that "my papa does this" or "my mama would not do such a thing." This is as it should be for to whom, if not to the parents, is the child going to look for its example? Who but the parents should be the pattern by which the child begins to cut its life's model? In this parents owe their children a very great duty and it behooves them to give the children the best that they can. Parents can give their children examples of neatness, courtesy, propriety and charity which will often be of greater value than many of the more elaborate educational advantages.

Scrambled Fish On Toast

FOUR ounces of cold salmon, halibut or cod freed from skin and bones; shred it fine, season with salt, pepper, a pinch of cayenne and a few drops of lemon juice. Melt an ounce of butter in a small stewpan, stir in the fish and let it get hot, then add two well beaten eggs. Stir the whole over the fire until the eggs begin to set. Spread the mixture quickly and neatly on rounds of buttered toast. Dish up, garnish with sprigs of parsley and serve.

Dutch Toast

COLD meat, cooked vegetables, circles of toast, Spanish sauce (highly seasoned tomato), seasoning and lemon juice. Use minced meat—poultry, game, etc. Fry, or butter and toast the bread circles. Reheat the vegetables and meat in the sauce in separate saucers. Dip the bread circles in the sauce, not in too liquid, on the toast; crown with some of the vegetables. Spread remainder on a hot platter; on this arrange the savory with a few sprigs of parsley or celery tips. Serve very hot.

Sardine Fritters

TWELVE boned sardines, 24 thin slices of brown bread, frying butter, salt and paprika. Carefully wipe off the skins of the sardines and remove the bones. Cut the sliced bread into finger shapes a little larger than the sardines when opened flat, and place one sardine on each slice, being careful to fry carefully, when all are prepared, into frying batter and fry in deep fat to a golden brown. Drain on paper or a cloth, sprinkle delicately with fine salt and paprika, place on hot dish and serve hot.

Croquettes de Volaille

ONE half pound of minced chicken or turkey, two ounces of minced ham or tongue, one teaspoonful of minced parsley, one teaspoonful of chopped mushrooms, one gill of thick cream sauce, one egg, bread crumbs and seasoning. Mix the chicken, ham, mushrooms, parsley and seasoning with the hot sauce in a basin. Spread on a plate; when cold cut in pieces of the same size. It should be just soft enough to shape into rolls; too moist and the croquettes will burst when frying. Egg and bread crumb them, and fry in deep fat to an amber color. Serve with sprigs of fried parsley or fresh parsley stuck into one end of the croquettes. These croquettes should be moist inside.

Advice to a Damsel

(Contributed to The Journal by Walt Mason, a famous Kansas poet. His prose-poems are a feature of this column in The Daily Journal.)

When a damsel has a steady who's a pretty decent man, and who shows a disposition to perform the best he can, who is shy of selfish habits, and whose bosom holds no guile, and who labors in the vineyard with a gay and cheerful smile, then she shouldn't make him promise that he'll do a certain thing, when they've stood up at the altar, and she shouldn't spring a lecture when he comes around to court, for a man is only human; his wings are pretty short. When a maiden has a steady who is surely making good, who is winning admiration, who is sowing lots of wood, then she shouldn't make him promise that he'll be an angel boy when the wedding ceremony is over, in a life of joy, she should nurture "Fie a daisy, and we'll take things as they come, for a man is only human, and his halo's on the bum."