

# REPORT PRAISES JOURNAL FOR AID IN MILK CRUSADE

### Pure Food Committee of Consumers' League Tells of Work Done and of Further Plans.

To promote statewide enforcement of laws requiring eradication of consumption among cattle and elevation of dairy methods, the pure food committee of the Consumers' league has subscribed to a campaign which will be conducted in cooperation with state and city health officials, dairymen and milk dealers. Since it was in a large extent due to work performed by this committee that Portland's pure milk ordinance was finally adopted in the face of strenuous opposition from the state dairy and food commissioner and certain dairymen, it is believed the work toward statewide legislation will be as effective.

The amount of work of which this committee is capable is shown by a report of the things accomplished during the past year, as made by Mrs. A. B. Rockey, chairman of the committee, at the annual meeting of the Consumers' league Friday. The report reads:

#### Regulating Sale of Milk.

"The principal work of this committee has been connected with the passage and enforcement of ordinance No. 2043, relating to the production and sale of pure milk in the city of Portland.

Following the campaign for education and publicity of existing conditions reported at our last annual meeting there was developed on the part of the dairymen and dealers a vigorous opposition to the measure, which has required of the committee much personal work to overcome. After many interviews with the mayor and members of the council and with the assistance of the city and state boards of health, and of C. S. Jackson, this ordinance was drafted and its passage secured.

#### Conditions Improving.

"The passage of this ordinance has marked a general improvement of conditions. This has been largely due to the educational effect of the publicity given to the subject by the press both to the consumer and the producer, and to the general knowledge that a law requiring better conditions existed. Dealers have in the main complied with the requirements, but in some quarters there has been opposition to its enforcement.

"On application of the Albina creamery injunction proceedings were held before Judge Claborn to restrain the council from enforcing the ordinance on the ground that the act was class legislation and consequently invalid. To the present time no decision has been given.

#### McCourt's Opinion.

"Touching the question of interference of the local ordinance with the federal laws, your committee addressed a series of questions to the Honorable John McCourt, United States attorney, and in a lengthy communication discussing these questions he says in closing: 'It is apparent that if the legislature of the state of Oregon has given the city of Portland charter power to pass ordinances for the protection and health of the city, the ordinance is a valid one.' The committee desire to express the thanks of the league to Mr. McCourt for the prompt and courteous and comprehensive discussion he has given their interrogatories.

"On petition of your committee the National Consumers' league has granted them the privilege of using the national label on milk. Owing to the necessity of special inspection they have not to this time been able to perfect arrangements for its use. It is hoped that in the near future the league will be able to accomplish this.

#### Outlook is Hopeful.

"The movement for improvement of purity and quality of food has now become so well established that the outlook for better conditions is hopeful. The department of agriculture has issued a number of valuable bulletins bearing on these questions. The attention of housekeepers is particularly called to farmers' bulletin No. 413 on the care of milk and its use in the home. This bulletin is a pamphlet of 20 pages, which contains three very valuable articles by government experts and may be had for the asking by addressing a postcard to the United States department of agriculture at Washington, D. C.

"Better conditions can be procured and maintained only by the personal and continued vigilance of the consumer to the requirements of laws already enacted, or that may be found further to be desirable."

### THE FIRST TASTE Learned to Drink Coffee When a Baby.

If parents realized the fact that coffee contains a drug—caffeine—which is especially harmful to children, they would doubtless hesitate before giving the babies coffee to drink.

"When I was a child in my mother's arms and first began to nibble things at the table, mother used to give me sips of coffee. As my parents used coffee exclusively at meals I never knew there was anything to drink but coffee and water.

"And so I contracted the coffee habit early. I remember when quite young the continual use of coffee so affected my parents that they tried roasting wheat and barley, then ground it in the coffee mill, as a substitute for coffee. But it did not taste right and they went back to coffee again. That was long before Postum was ever heard of. I continued to use coffee until I was 27, when I got into office work. I began to have nervous spells. Especially after breakfast I was so nervous I could scarcely attend to my correspondences.

"At night, after having coffee for supper, I could hardly sleep, and on rising in the morning would feel weak and nervous.

"A friend persuaded me to try Postum. My wife and I did not like it at first, but later when boiled good and strong it was fine. Now we would not give up Postum for the best coffee we ever tasted.

# CHILDREN SHOW HOW TO MAKE SMALL FORTUNE RAISING HENS



Clarence Hogan and two of his prize chickens.

Clarence Hogan, winner of the contest of the Portland Junior Poultry association, says poultry raising pays. His figures, prepared for the judges of the contest in which his little flock of 23 hens were entered, were so convincing that the judges Friday night awarded him the first prize of \$100. The prizes were awarded at a meeting of the association held at the Y. M. C. A. Friday evening.

The object of the contest was to show residents of the suburbs that anyone owning a lot or half a lot could with profit raise chickens in connection with his regular business. The contestants were instructed to keep a complete list of the kind, amount and cost of the feed which they fed their chickens and the number and price of the eggs handled. This report compiled at the end of the year showed that Master Hogan's hens netted him a profit of \$2.86 a piece, and the hens kept by Miss Ruth Hayes, winner of the second place, netted her \$2.62 apiece.

#### Contest Conducted Jointly.

The contest was begun on November 1, 1909, and closed October 31, 1910, being conducted jointly by the Agricultural college, and the Y. M. C. A. Professor James Dryden of the poultry department of the college, acted as judge and marked the contestants, using a regular scoring system. The contestants were given works on the condition of the fowls, record-keeping, housing, arrangements of the yards, cleanliness, business methods, dressed fowl and marketing of the reading course prescribed.

All day yesterday the fowls winning the prizes for their owners, together with the reports of the contestants, were shown on the fifth floor of the Meier & Frank store. The room was comfortably crowded all day, and the well kept birds called for a great deal of praise. In presenting the prizes at the Y. M. C. A. Friday night Dr. James Withycombe of Corvallis said in part:

#### Excellent Records Made.

"In this contest some excellent results were obtained. In one instance a yield of 182 eggs per hen was secured and the average of the yards, awarded prizes was 118 eggs per hen. The average net profit per hen was \$2.48 which is an excellent showing when we consider that these hens were mostly confined to small yards and cared for by boys and girls who had but little previous knowledge of poultry.

"These results indicate the very promising field for poultry upon the farms in this state.

"There are approximately 60,000 farms in Oregon and if each farmer were to keep 100 good laying hens and give them as good care as the hens received in the contest and received the same prices for eggs, it would mean an annual revenue from eggs alone of \$14,880,000 to the farmers of this state.

#### Product Worth \$5,000,000.

"The farmer perhaps would not receive the fancy price for his eggs as secured by these boys and girls, but the cost of production would be appreciably lower, for 100 hens, running at large upon an ordinary farm, where other stock is maintained, would pick

### MULES BALK AS TRAIN WHISTLES; DRIVER HURT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pendleton, Or., Nov. 12.—Because of the stubbornness and obstinacy of four mules which he was driving, Arthur Bell, employed by Charles Hamilton, a reservation farmer, lies at the point of death in a local hospital with a bad wound in the head. He was driving the mules across the O. R. & N. track when delayed No. 11 westbound through passenger train came around a curve. At sight of the train the mules stopped in their tracks and refused to move at the instant urging of the driver or whistles of the locomotive. The airbrakes were thrown on, but the train struck the wagon before it could be stopped. Bell was hurled out and rendered unconscious with a bad wound on the head. He was carried into the hospital within a few minutes after he was injured and at last reports was still unconscious. The mules escaped uninjured, but the wagon was demolished.

#### I. & M. Rates Investigated.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., Nov. 12.—The railroad commission ordered a hearing yesterday for the purpose of investigating the passenger rates on the Independence & Mouthout railroad. The commission has taken up this hearing on its own motion, declaring that the present passenger rates of that road and through charges are excessive.

# OUTSIDERS FEAR INTERESTS WILL INJURE PORTLAND

### Letters From Out-of-Town Capitalists Owing Property Here Show Danger of Obstructionist Policy.

Obstructionism is hurting Portland. Opposition on the part of moneyed interests to issues of public improvement such as the Broadway bridge and public docks is making outside capitalists afraid to invest money here. Success for the obstructionists would mean commercial death to the town.

These are opinions expressed by Edward Campbell, a San Jose capitalist, who now owns \$300,000 worth of Portland property. His opinions are shared by progressive Portland business men. Writing to H. E. Coleman, a local business man Mr. Campbell declares: "I will not put another cent in Portland until these two things (public docks and the Broadway bridge) are put beyond question." Mr. Campbell writes in warning against obstructionism: "So long as the people of Portland quarrel among themselves and oppose measures of vital interest to the up-building of the city, just so long will outsiders avoid her.

#### Too Much Bivalency.

"There is too much rivalry in the northwest such rivalry is not yet secure—once she halts it will be hard to start her again. When the outside capitalist has cause to say 'D— that town; the people have no sense; the game is up for a long time.' When a few institutions like the O. R. & N. and some real estate firms can see nothing more than their own gain, Portland will become what Tacoma always has been and always will be and what Hoquiam is and always will be. The Broadway bridge and city owned docks are two measures that ought to receive the active support of every person who is interested in the city's advancement.

"When the two and a half millions to be voted is available instead of

building docks it should all be used for buying water front. When the city owns the water front there will be no trouble in getting the money to build the docks. When the city owns a large part of the water front and abundance of free access to either side of the river, then outside capital will begin to take notice.

#### Will Take Money Away.

"Let it go out that the Southern Pacific interests and a few corporations own the water front and that the Broadway bridge will not be built because these same interests are powerful enough to defeat the will of the people, we people on the outside who have been foolish enough to put our money in will hasten to get it out. That is my case.

"The people of California have been fighting the Southern Pacific for more than 40 years, and fighting a losing game. Will Oregon have to do the same? And for how long? Here there has been nothing too small for the S. P. to grasp. Things so small that one is surprised. They intended to do the same in Oregon. The coming of the Hill roads blocked the game in some ways, but the Portland people will have to be on their guard. That grasping corporation will take everything in sight if she can. They will elect your legislators, your congressmen and the United States senators, and when they elect them they will own them—that is the way they have done it here."

#### Fears Interests' Power.

In another letter to Mr. Coleman, written before the election, Mr. Campbell said: "If the progress of Portland can be held up by selfish interests and the building of the Broadway bridge and city owned docks prevented, why God help Portland. If these two measures are defeated you will find that outside investments will cease and those that have put their money in the city will hasten to get it out—but not because of the defeat of these two great utilities, but because of the power and spirit of these combatting interests. I shall regret I ever invested in the city and will be tempted to withdraw if I can without too much loss.

"Can anyone tell why the real estate market in Portland is practically dead? Does anyone think for a minute that any sane man would go to Portland now to invest his money? Hardly. If Portland is to secure the advantages of her great tributary resources her people will have to pull together—they will have to do what the football man calls 'team work.' It is suicide to do otherwise.

"I am not only surprised but disgusted that such a condition exists. It has always been said of Portland that she was slow and blocked push. She is just coming to her own—her great future is being recognized in all sec-

tions of the country. Must it all be spoiled by the damnable greed of a few men and a few interests?"

### NEW YORK SOLDIERS TO BE HONORED AT LOOKOUT

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) New York, Nov. 12.—Colonel Lewis R. Stegman, accompanied by a large delegation of civil war veterans, left today for Chattanooga, Tenn., to be present at the dedication Tuesday of the \$100,000 memorial monument erected on Lookout mountain in honor of the New York soldiers who fought in the battle of Lookout Mountain. In addition to Colonel Stegman and the veterans, General Daniel E. Sickles and Governor White of New York will be present.

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