

# MIDDLEMAN GETS FLAYED; DAIRYMEN UTTER COMPLAINT

### Producer and Consumer Victims of System by Which Third Man Gets Long End of Profits, Says Speaker.

"The great problem facing this state is not so much the problem of economic production as it is that of economic distribution," said Dr. James Withycomb, a director of the Oregon experiment station at Corvallis, before the annual convention of the Oregon Dairymen's association, which is holding its closing session today.

Following out this line of thought the speaker deplored the prevailing conditions wherein he said the consumer was forced to pay exorbitant prices for necessities of life to satisfy the demand of the middleman, who was raking in the profits. He said, this condition made a "goat" out of both the producer and the consumer to the glory of the middleman.

The middleman was also flayed by W. K. Newell of Gaston, Or., whose address indicated that the dairymen and farmers are becoming aroused over the conditions which force them to hold the little end of the stick.

**100 Per Cent Profit.**  
"The farmer has not had his full share of the rewards coming from his toil," said Dr. Withycomb. "There is something wrong when the farmer raises chickens and sells them to the middleman for 50 cents and the middleman sells them for \$1—100 per cent profit for a day's handling."

"I say there is something wrong with a condition like this. The farmers should get better organized. They should study to lessen the cost of their products from the time they leave their hands until they reach the consumer."

"While I was in the east I heard that the law compelling the branding of tub butter was declared unconstitutional. If that law is unconstitutional, then it is for us to get busy and pass a law that is constitutional."

**Portland Sales Cited.**  
"The man who sells tub butter for fresh country butter is a thief. He is robbing both the producer and the consumer."

The law referred to by the speaker was passed by the last legislature and was recently declared unconstitutional by Judge Morrow.

When W. K. Newell went after the conditions which permit the middleman to receive a big end of the profits from farm products, he cited the case of milk from farm products. He said the producer gets only about 10 per cent of the retail price paid for milk in this city.

At this morning's session an excellent address was made by P. H. Scribner of Rosendale, Wis., whose subject was, "Test Association Work." He explained in detail the great benefits to be derived by the dairymen if he will keep accurate tests of the quantity and quality of the milk produced by each cow, and of the cost of feeding the animal. He told of the benefit of having a herd of only thoroughbred cows, and of how to treat them.

**Officers Elected.**  
"Get good stock, feed them right, keep records, and you need not be afraid of the dairy business not paying," he said.

Many of the dairymen took part in the discussion that followed this address, and asked scores of questions about test association work.

Arthur T. Buxton, secretary of the Washington County Cooperative Cow Testing association, told of the first year's work of that association, and of what a big help it had been to the dairymen in Washington county.

At the afternoon session yesterday officers for the next year were elected. M. S. Shrock of Banks was elected president; W. H. Dickson of Shedd, first vice president; William Larsen of Astoria, second vice president; Professor E. L. Kent of Corvallis, secretary treasurer.

The next meeting of the association will be held at Albany.

# LUMBERMAN DIVORCED; MANY OTHER DECREES

A divorce on the ground of cruelty was granted Bertha M. Carey from Frank W. Carey this morning in the circuit court. Carey is chief owner in three large lumber companies and was charged by his wife with drunkenness.

E. S. Hubbard secured a decree from his wife, Florence Hubbard. A bunch of letters written to her from other men formed part of the evidence. In one of the letters signed "Jim," the writer asked Mrs. Hubbard to send him money with which to pay his carfare to Oregon. Hubbard testified his wife remained out late at nights and refused to tell him where she had been.

Ethel M. Hanks secured a divorce from Clifford G. Hanks. She said that soon after their marriage he left home and has not returned.

Other divorces were granted to Nellie C. Carter from Louis A. Carter for desertion, Phillip Holmes from Armenia Holmes for desertion, D. M. Henshaw from Grace Henshaw for cruelty, Oma Johnson from Richard Johnson for cruelty, Rose L. Young from W. P. Young for cruelty and Lulu G. Shaner from Arthur Shaner for cruelty.

# WITNESS IS MISSING; MINISTER IS FREED

Rev. L. C. Elliott will not be forced to serve 30 days on the rockpile. The charge against him was dismissed this morning in the circuit court on account of the disappearance of Miss Martha Papples, a young woman with whom the minister was arrested in a rooming house. A sentence of 30 days was given Elliott, in the municipal court, from which he appealed. The hearing in the higher court was set for this morning.

Miss Papples was not given a sentence, but allowed to go to her home at Astoria, promising to appear when the case came on for trial. Assistant City Attorney R. A. Sullivan sent for her early this week, but she could not be found. Her story was to the effect that Rev. Elliott induced her to go to the rooming house.

Upright places rented, \$2, \$4 and \$5 per month. Kimball, Kohler, Weser. Rent can apply on purchase price. KOHLER & CHASE, 375 Washington Street.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

## NEW OFFICERS OF DAIRY ASSOCIATION



M. S. Shrock.



F. L. Kent.

## OIL ORDINANCE ISSUE POSTPONED

### Big Crowd of South Portlanders Storm Council Committee in Vain.

An ordinance framed by Deputy City Attorney L. E. Latourette for the purpose of regulating the storage and transportation of crude oil, petroleum and by-products was not brought up for consideration of the council committee on health and police today, but one drafted by Deputy City Fire Marshal W. R. Roberts was introduced in place of the Latourette ordinance.

A large crowd of South Portland residents appeared before the committee to hear the ordinance read, but Chairman Watkins decided to postpone the consideration of the measure for two weeks. Meanwhile interested persons will be given copies of the Roberts ordinance.

This ordinance prevents the refining of oil or other inflammable liquids within the city limits.

**Drug Stores Favored.**  
It prohibits the barging of oil up the Willamette river except for manufacturing purposes. It prohibits the docking of an oil barge for a longer period than 24 hours.

An exception to the barging provision is made in favor of drug stores. Inflammable liquids in 4 ounce bottles may be transported on the river for delivery to business houses of the city.

The ordinance forbids the transportation of naphtha through the city streets in tank wagons.

It provides for the establishment of storage stations on sites approved by the city council, but in no case may the stations be located within 200 feet of any building or other oil tank station. Naphtha may be stored at these stations in quantities of not to exceed 10 barrels of 50 gallons each. Crude petroleum in quantities of more than 200 barrels of 50 gallons each.

**Crude Petroleum.**  
Products of crude petroleum that will not flash at 110 degrees Fahrenheit may be stored in quantities of not more than 50,000 gallons.

The ordinance provides that the oil companies may continue to operate their plants at Portsmouth and further provides that the big railway companies may retain their oil storage stations. Mayor Ruslight, however, today notified the railway companies that they will have to remedy certain defects which permit the crude oil to flow away from the storage stations through the sewers to the waterfront. The ordinance prohibits the establishment of storage stations within 1500 feet of the river front.

General provisions for the safeguarding of the oil industry are made and a fine of \$500 and imprisonment for 6 months is provided for violation. The health and police committee will consider the ordinance at its next meeting.

**She Went Hit Too Far.**  
San Francisco, Dec. 8.—Architect Edwin Sharp was a bit "annoyed" when his wife's "friends" became too numerous, but he didn't kick much until she began augmenting from among his friends. A divorce action has been started.

**Tacoma Chauffeur Killed.**  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 8.—While testing out an automobile which he had just repaired, George Knox, chauffeur, was killed here today when the machine got away from him and crashed into a wagon. No bones were broken, but internal injuries caused Knox's death.

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"The Store Where Shopping Is a Pleasure."

## Shop With Ease and Economy

Go to the crowded big stores if you prefer, but consider first the advantage of shopping here, where only EXCLUSIVE merchandise is shown—where prices are moderate and you get good service.

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Sewing Sets, the always welcome gift for a woman, priced from..... 25¢ to \$3.50

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## FUND FOR MRS. BUCKBEE \$255

### Arrangements Being Made to Send Afflicted Woman to Sanitarium at Once.

**Mrs. Buckbee Relief Fund.**  
Previously acknowledged.....\$243.00  
A subscriber..... 1.00  
Yours in sympathy..... 2.00  
A friend..... 1.50  
Fred Kaurman..... 1.00  
Cash..... 2.50  
B. A. Barlow, Caldwell, Idaho..... 2.00

\$255.00  
Mrs. L. Gregory donated a good suitcase, which was needed by Mrs. Buckbee.

Portland people have responded splendidly to the appeal for aid for Mrs. Jennie Buckbee, the Sellwood woman who has suffered so terribly from rheumatism, and enough money has been given to send her to a sanitarium for treatment. As there is no need for more contributions, the fund is closed.

Mrs. Buckbee will leave next Monday or Tuesday for the sanitarium at Hot Lake, Or., where she will be given the best treatment possible. The owner of the sanitarium, Walter Pierce, met the generosity of the Portland people in a handsome way by giving Mrs. Buckbee a 50 per cent reduction in the cost of the treatments.

"I will be glad to do my part in helping a worthy case of this kind," said Mr. Pierce, when he was in Portland attending the hotel men's convention. "She will be given the very best treatment."

So Mrs. Buckbee is about the happiest woman in Portland. She is going to leave as soon as she can get ready, which will be Monday or Tuesday. She will be accompanied by her daughter. She wanted to make the trip alone to save expense, but in her helpless condition her friends would not listen to such an undertaking.

How much all this means to this poor woman can be but little understood by one who has come in close touch with awful suffering. She has waited and watched while the long years dragged slowly by, expecting every moment to be released from her pain by the flight of her soul, until in the last year, when her general health has improved greatly. Now she has hopes of recovery through the generosity of the people of Portland.

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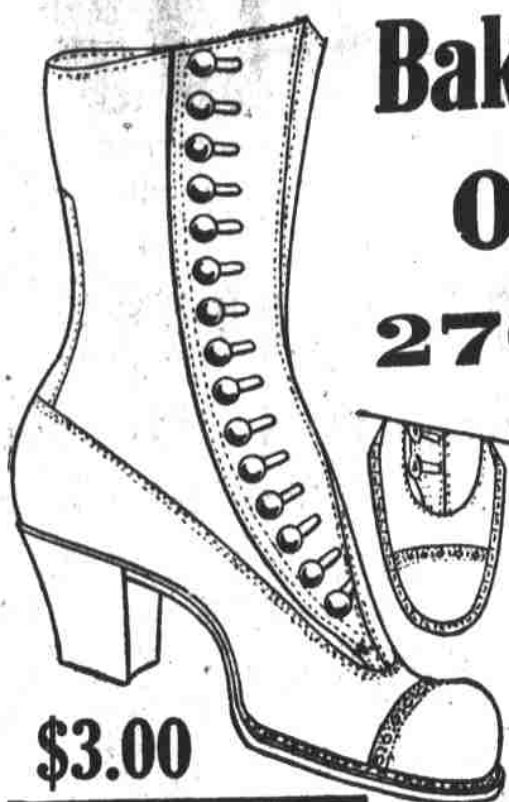
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SKIDMORE DRUG COMPANY

TWO STORES  
151 Third St., W. Park and Mor.



\$3.00

A Baker Special for women—Extra hi-cut button boot in patent and dull calf. High heel and arch, full stub toe.

# Baker Shoe Store No. 2 Opens Tomorrow 270 Morrison Street

HISTORY repeats itself in Portland as elsewhere; one Baker store always leads to another. The "Baker habit" in buying shoes is a habit that grows. Once fixed it is hard to break, even if there should be a desire to do so. People appreciate the Baker Stores; they appreciate the enterprise that provides smart new shoe styles each season; they appreciate the prompt and courteous Baker service; they appreciate the liberal Baker policy in doing business; but most of all, they appreciate the Baker Big Values. In Portland—as in other cities—the Baker business has outgrown the present store facilities and forced us to expand. Tomorrow we open Baker Store No. 2, at 270 Morrison street. All the pleasing features found in our present store will be found in the new Baker store, as well. You are cordially invited to make Baker's your shoe store. All shoes sensibly priced.

270  
Washington  
Street

# G.H. Baker

TWO STORES

270  
Morrison  
Street

ONE LOT OF TRIMMED HATS, a varied assortment, but no old hats. This store has no old hats. The qualities range up to \$5.00. Take your choice for ..... 79c

# 1:45 P. M.

## The Crowd Beyond Control Attending the Closing Out of

# The Millinery World

142 Fifth St.  
Opposite Meier & Frank's

\$10.00 TRIMMED HATS, the entire line sacrificed at, choice

\$3.79

\$17.50 BEAUTIFUL HATS — you must get one of these—choice

\$5.90

\$25 HIGH-GRADE TRIMMED HATS to be closed out at \$7.45

\$10.00 WILLOW PLUMES in black and all colors slaughtered at \$3.95

\$25 BIRDS OF PARADISE. Don't let this slip. They are sacrificed at \$9.95