

100 PER CENT IS DECLARED PROFIT MADE ON SUGAR

U. S. Department of Commerce Has Evidence That Fortunes Are Made at 20 Cents Pound.

By Ralph F. Couch
Washington, Jan. 30.—(U. P.)—Evidence that jobbers, wholesalers and retail dealers are dividing a profit of more than 100 per cent on sugar at 20 cents a pound was found today in reports to the United States department of commerce.

The reports showed that in December 24 cents a pound was the price at which American refiners sold sugar for export from the United States.

During the same month the price charged by retail dealers in 50 cities averaged 14 1/2 cents per pound, showing that after the sugar left the refineries 8 1/2 cents was added to each pound. In many cities the retail price was far more than 14 1/2 cents.

In Atlanta, Ga., 22 1/2 cents was charged. In Little Rock the price was .22 and in Memphis .219.

In some cities, however, the retail price was below the average. Thus, in Boston the price was 12 1/2 cents, in Chicago 17 1/2, in Cleveland 14 and in New York 11 1/2. In the same month the average wholesale price of sugar was .108.

Refiners make a profit of only about 2 1/2 cents per pound on sugar imported from Cuba, refined, and then sold for export at 8 1/2 cents.

During December 440,000 pounds of raw sugar was imported free of duty from the Philippines at a cost of \$43,465, or approximately 9 cents a pound.

American refiners made a margin of approximately \$2,211,000 during December on sugar sold for export, it was estimated.

The margin divided between jobbers, wholesalers and exporters on imported sugar totaled \$7,094,244 in December.

SCHOOL HEADS SPLIT ON ART FRIEZE

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The walls of her school room with types of Oregon scenery. Miss Monroe is an active Mazama, strong on the outdoors in Oregon, and teaches geography of Oregon. What better, then, than Oregon scenery to adorn the walls? Her pupils sold old rubbers and gave entertainments and one by one the pictures were added until now Miss Monroe's "Oregon room" is known throughout the city, and Miss Monroe is fairly bursting with pride over her achievement.

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Lately teachers and principals have been buying their pictures without consulting the art committee, and President-Teacher associations have almost brought tears of grief to the eyes of the committee with their \$3 and \$4 wall adornments.

COMMITTEE WANTS AUTHORITY
"We feel that the art committee should have some authority," says one of the members. "There is so much in the choosing of a picture, one that will hang well and one of which the children will not tire. It is easy to buy paste diamonds, but what the use of buying pictures that within a few years must be consigned to the scrap heap?"

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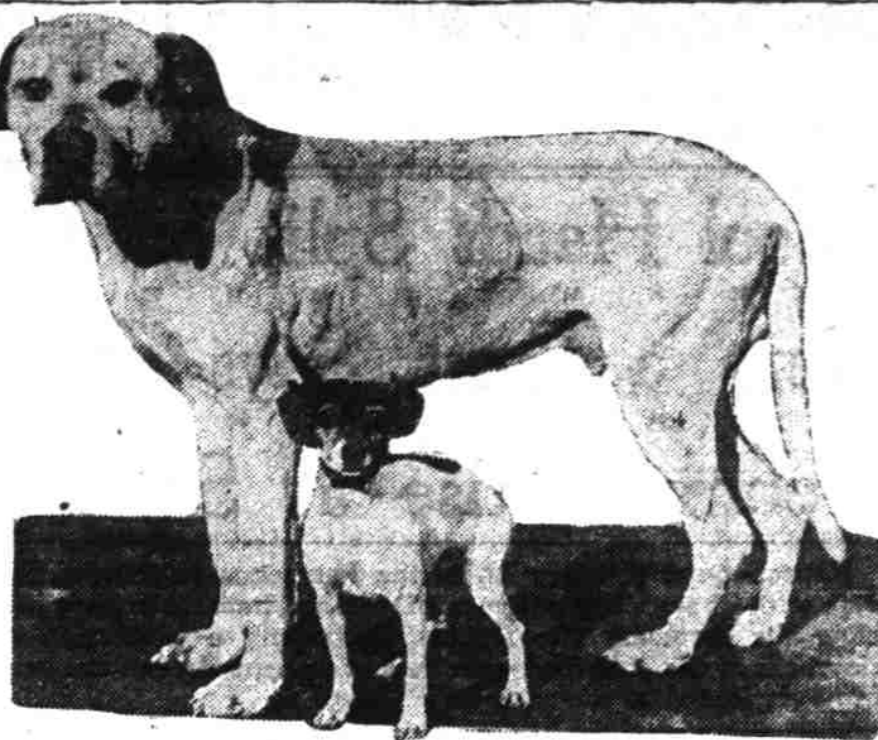
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GROUT WANT HARMONY
"I only want to create harmony," insists Grout. "One can never say that any of the pictures selected by the committee are not the highest types of art, but there seems to be some dissatisfaction among the teachers. A great many principals have criticised the friezes and say they want friezes that anybody in the building will be able to explain to the children. But we must respect the artists. We must not have a lot of pictures without artistic merit."

Rice wants more historical pictures, such as Mount Vernon, Faneuil hall and the like.

Mrs. J. C. Elliott King is president of a committee on school beautification.

WHO OWNS THIS CHAPP?



Big homeless Mastiff found by Humane society, and his little stray pal.

Does this big mastiff eat too much to live? He was found by the humane society last week, wandering about with his little friend, licensee. Perhaps his appetite was responsible for his apparently effortless life.

At his first meal, attended under the auspices of the humane society, the large mastiff devoured two loaves of bread, two pounds of meat, half a box

of dog biscuits and a quart of milk, according to Mrs. F. W. Swanton, in charge of the society.

The theory has been proposed that the ramifications of old H. C. L., combined with the appetite of the blooded dog, almost resulted in his extermination because of lack of a license.

The humane society is holding the 200-pound animal and his diminutive playmate for sale.

ask him to obtain the same from some other internal revenue district, say New York or Chicago, where any quantity of alcohol may be transferred to the point where it is most needed.

OPINIONS DIFFER
Of course, medical opinions differ as to the value of alcohol as a medicine. At the offices of the United States public health service no official opinion has been rendered and probably will not be.

It was said, however, that the principal physicians there did not consider alcohol necessary in the treatment of influenza or pneumonia, but that it might be useful in handling patients who had been accustomed to the use of alcohol.

When the prohibition laws were under consideration by congress, the question of the use of alcohol as a medicine was debated from every angle. Physicians did not seem to agree. One member of congress expressed it this way: "If you put all the physicians of the country in one room, one third of the number might say alcohol was unnecessary in treating their patients, and another third might say it was necessary, and still another third might be on the fence and would not commit themselves. Even doctors of the same school have differed on the subject. Therefore, the safest thing to do is to let the physician who is indispensable to their practice have it."

Throughout the government there seems to be, however, a timidity about expressing an opinion for or against the use of alcohol as a medicine. Whether it is fear of the wrath of the Anti-Saloon league, which has marshalled considerable medical testimony to the effect that alcohol is unnecessary, or whether it is genuine doubt is hard to say. Anyway, the government is putting no obstacle in the path of those physicians who require it for their patients, and in constituting section 27 of the prohibition law in a manner that will permit individuals, whether in hospitals or elsewhere, to obtain liquor.

Officials at the treasury said that if lives could be saved by their cooperation they would do anything they could to cooperate. They gave the impression, moreover, that they did not want to face the anger of individuals whose relatives might die of the flu or pneumonia and who would forever entertain the idea that possession of some alcoholic stimulant might have averted death. There are many people here who think the Red Cross ought to take up the whole thing and not only make alcohol promptly available everywhere to those physicians who need it, but prevent drug stores from setting arbitrary prices on the small quantities that they have on hand.

PHYSICIANS MAY GIVE LIQUOR UNDER LAW
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mits for the sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages.

Under the law, the United States court may authorize the grant of liquor free of charge to any government agency. Thus the army or navy could get it from any collector of internal revenue who happens to be nearest any camp or post. Also it is quite probable that the American Red Cross would be construed to be a "government agency."

SUPPLY FOR RED CROSS
The Red Cross hitherto has not supplied medicines to influenza patients, but has confined itself to the distribution of gauze masks and nurses. But it would appear to be possible for the Red Cross to obtain a supply of liquor for distribution in needy cases, though this point is still under discussion at the headquarters of the Red Cross, and at this writing no decision has been reached. Clearly whether agents of the Red Cross or physicians obtained liquor from the federal courts, they would be legally responsible for any abuse of the privilege and subject to the penalties imposed by the court.

Where would the courts find a supply of liquor for distribution to agencies that should have it? There are thousands of gallons confiscated right along by the collector of internal revenue everywhere. Liquor sent by express or otherwise, under false pretenses, or smuggled in trunks or suitcases and left by the owners who fear the consequences of claiming their property, passes into the hands of the government at the end of 60 days, and if there is an epidemic in Oklahoma and the collector of internal revenue has no liquor on hand the federal court can

RECKLESS AUTOIST WHO KILLED GIRL AGAIN ARRESTED

Joe Mielke Fined \$20 for Disorderly Conduct; Application For Auto License Is Denied.

Joe Mielke, locally known for reckless driving, was fined \$20 today when he pleaded guilty in municipal court to a charge of disorderly conduct.

Mielke was arrested at 1:20 a. m. in the U. S. rooming house, First and Salmon streets, in company with a man and woman. For an hour, other occupants of the house said, the trio had been yelling and scuffling.

Motorcycle officers in court exhibited three photographs, including which they claimed Mielke had been drinking. "Of course I drink," said Mielke to the court. "Just as long as they make liquor and sell it, I'll buy it."

While visiting at police headquarters, Mielke dropped into the traffic bureau to request that he be issued a 1920 automobile license. Captain Lewis refused, declaring his previous exhibition on Portland streets barred him from driving a car.

His license was revoked last November after he had run down and killed Viola Cummings. He was acquitted in circuit court of a manslaughter charge and also of reckless driving in connection with the girl's death.

TEN JURORS SEATED IN R. W. W. CASE
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Victor Glenn, garage man of Satsop, Wash. who was passed Wednesday, Vanderveer will offer evidence Saturday morning tending to impeach Glenn's statements.

Vanderveer's request to do this was granted by the court after the attorney had questioned Glenn for 15 minutes, eliciting only denials of purported conversations attributed to the juror in regard to the case after he had been drawn as a talesman.

When court opened, Vanderveer at once began on the juror Glenn, renewing the examination of Thursday in regard to his conversation about the case after being drawn as a juror.

Vanderveer asked Glenn if, on the evening of January 7, he had uttered the sentiment that "they are all guilty and should be hung."

Under pressure, the juror denied having made the statement, although admitting that he had been drinking on the night in question.

Vanderveer asked Glenn if he had told E. E. Hall, an investigator employed by the defense, that he had no use for the Union Record of Seattle because of its stand on the Centralia case. This was denied by the juror.

Vanderveer challenged Glenn again and asked permission to produce evidence impeaching the juror. This was granted, and the defense said it would have two witnesses in court Saturday to prove its charges.

Eric W. Johnson, laborer of Hoquiam, and who did not read propaganda received about the case because he did not understand English, was excused by the state when he expressed opposition to capital punishment.

E. E. Torpen, retired resident of Montesano, was the fifth juror seated. Torpen, Schneider, Youngs, Conners, and Ames are all above the three score mark in age. Torpen is 70 years old.

HAS EIGHT CHILDREN
Torpen said he was the father of eight children and that one was in the service.

Asked if he was opposed to capital punishment, the juror replied that he had some objection to it, but that he would abide by the law in the matter. He had no opinion and no prejudice, had known Attorney W. H. Abel, but would not be influenced by that, he said.

Judge John M. Wilson, who was indisposed with a cold, returned to the bench this morning. He appears to have entirely recovered.

300 Boy Scouts to See Steel Steamer Bearport Launched

The 9600 ton steel steamer Bearport, which will carry a cargo of flour to suffering Armenia, will be launched from the Standifer yards at Vancouver, Wash., amid elaborate ceremonies at noon Saturday.

At 10 o'clock in the morning 300 Boy Scouts will assemble at the Broadway entrance of the Unitarian church, wherein Near East relief headquarters are located, and will be transported from there to Vancouver in army trucks for the launching.

The Bearport's first cargo will be \$1,000,000 worth of Oregon flour, bought by the United States government for sale on credit to Armenia, where it will be distributed to the starving population.

Mrs. Mabel Stuart, sister of Vice President Jones, will be sponsor for the Bearport and will be costumed as Columbia, while Neressa Cortazioan, an Armenian lad of 17 years, who arrived in Portland from his native land only a few weeks ago, will carry the Armenian flag and represent Armenia.

SMILES AND COUGHS
James W. Lamb, a venerable looking resident of Montesano, who said he was 74 years old, on examination, admitted he was a Socialist.

Attorney W. H. Abel asked him if he was a Bolshevik.

"I have said that some of it is all right," he said.

"It has been said that you are an atheist," Abel questioned.

"That's not so," Lamb answered. "I believe in a supreme being."

Lamb said he had done no war work, save to purchase war savings stamps.

At this juncture Vanderveer arose and asked the coughing of Attorney C. D. Cunningham for the prosecution was so insistent that the witness could not hear questions.

As the courtroom has resounded with coughing from all quarters for the past three days, everyone, even the judge, smiled.

Vanderveer's ire was aroused and he said an exception in the record over what he termed the judge's "making light of his request."

Lamb was finally disqualified by the judge because of his coughing. He had said that he was not related to the defendant, John Lamb.

EIGHT JURYMEN ACCEPTED FOR TRIAL AT MONTESANO
By Fred H. McNeil
Montesano, Wash., Jan. 30.—Efforts on the parts of attorneys of both sides to disqualify certain of the jurors already seated took up the afternoon session of the Centralia murder trial yesterday and were without avail. One more juror was added to the list in the half hour before adjournment, making eight in all.

Thomas C. Conners, retired business man of Montesano; S. A. Youngs, night watchman, Montesano; Mrs. Emily C. Pattison, Aberdeen; W. F. Ferguson, plumber, Hoquiam; Orton Glenn, dairyman, Satsop; O. A. Schneider, hotelkeeper, Aberdeen; C. C. Strayer, grain and paint dealer, Aberdeen, and P. R. Ames, farmer of Oakville.

SUBJECT TO CHALLENGE
All of these are subject to the challenges, of which the prosecution has six and the defense twelve in a capital case.

Ames was put through in a comparatively short time, and during the questioning there was nothing to indicate that he might come up for examination again.

A hard battle was made by Attorney George F. Vanderveer to secure disqualification of Thomas C. Conners of Montesano on charges of bias. Apparently all the leading cases on the subject of a juror's prejudice based upon what he read in newspapers of the matter which he was summoned to try were resurrected, as Vanderveer said, from the "Musty Pombel" of the judge's library, but arguments of the defense were of no avail and Conners was still snugly entrenched in number 1 chair at the end of the day.

FERGUSON RETAINED
Likewise the state launched an attack on W. F. Ferguson, the fifth juror selected, seeking to impeach certain of his statements made in regard to alleged radicalistic affiliations. Ferguson admitted having attended and spoken at meetings of the Red Socialists in Finlay hall, Hoquiam, but denied talking with John Swanson, another veteran, about the case Wednesday night, and with a man named Troch coming to Montesano on the train this morning.

The state attempted to introduce witnesses impeaching Ferguson's statements, but this was denied, and over the state's challenge he was retained.

Orton Glenn, passed by both Wednesday, was challenged by Vanderveer yesterday afternoon after he admitted that he "might have made such a statement," to the effect that the defendants ought to be hanged.

TWO MORE EXCUSED
"My opinion is neutral, for I've heard the matter discussed on both sides," said Ames, 65 years old, a farmer from Oakville, 27 miles east of Montesano.

A. J. Cota, shingle weaver of Woodlawn, Wash., near Hoquiam, had a string opinion, he said, and was excused, as was C. Mankowski of Aberdeen.

The arguments waxed particularly bitter over Conners. Questioning by Vanderveer brought forth the fact that he owned 14 or 25 shares in the stock of a local shingle mill and that the corporation has a \$30,000 suit now pending in the local superior court.

Attorney W. H. Abel, for the prosecution, was asked to represent the corporation in the litigation. On the top of this, Vanderveer argued, he read transcripts of Conners' statements in the previous examination aimed to show the jurymen was clearly

Threat Made in Blackhand Note; No Murder Yet

Morton, Wash., Jan. 30.—D. A. Steel of Nesika, near here, was given one chance to live in a black hand letter dated January 30. The letter put a three day limit on the chance and a \$300 price on Steel's life. The three days passed without money, and Steel still lives and retains his entire bank account.

Attention was called to the use of Benson Polytechnic school for federal reconstruction classes, the government requesting the use of certain shops with the understanding that regular shop supplies should be used when equipment is not furnished by the government. For this the government appropriations are inadequate, it was said.

It was also said that the county refused to allow a larger room in the courthouse to accommodate the Americanization class of 100 members organized partly at the request of the circuit judges, unless a rental of \$50 a month was paid.

The plan of exchanging the present Hosford school site of 22 lots for a corresponding number in the Malone Heights was discussed but abandoned.

MURDERER DISPLAYS REMARKABLE NERVE FACING DEATH CHAIR
Oswining, N. Y., Jan. 30.—(I. N. S.)—Defiant and smoking a cigarette, Gordon Fawcett Hamby, the newest prisoner Sing Sing prison has ever known, was electrocuted for murder last night and his corpse lay upon the marble slab in the prison morgue today, the lips still parted in the cynical smile which he wore as he was strapped in the chair of death.

One woman witnessed the execution. She was Miss Nellie By, a well known New York newspaper writer. It was the first time in more than 20 years that a woman had been allowed to witness an execution in Sing Sing.

Hamby spurned spiritual consolation. He said he thought it would be out of place for any man who had led such a desperate career as his to "seek aid from heaven at the last."

"Good-bye, fellows. I always try anything once," he called cheerfully to his fellows in the death house.

U. S. ATTORNEY WOULD GIVE SEIZED LIQUOR TO USE IN FLU FIGHT
Chicago, Jan. 29.—(I. N. S.)—The question of whether whiskey is a good remedy for influenza developed into a countrywide controversy today, following the suggestion of Federal District Attorney Charles A. Clynne here that the government turn over confiscated booze to municipalities to aid in combating the "flu" epidemic.

Immediately loud voices were raised for and against the suggestion, with the firmatives apparently leading by a full lap. A spirited argument took place here between Clynne and Dr. John Dill Robertson, city health commissioner, the former holding whiskey to be a good "flu" cure and the latter claiming it to be good only for a jag.

Similar controversies were reported elsewhere.

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MILWAUKIE SCHOOL BOARD GETS ADVICE ON SALARY REQUEST

Attorney Dimick to Decide Legal Point Involved in Question of Meeting Rise.

Decision as to the Milwaukie teachers' salary increase awaits the opinion of Attorney Grant E. Dimick of Oregon City, who has been called upon by the board of education to settle the technical legality of paying the demanded \$25 monthly increase at this time.

At a meeting of the school directors with the teachers Thursday night, members of the board expressed themselves in the predicament of having to pay the increases out of their own pockets should they grant them and later have the act questioned by the taxpayers. The teachers declared they had never had any intention of going on a strike.

The entire controversy is based upon whether or not the money voted at a special election is available for paying the increases immediately or in several months from now.

Some residents of the district claim the board has the money but will not pay it; that the board cannot act for itself but is entirely influenced by the State bank of Milwaukie, of which A. H. Zanders, school clerk, is cashier. They claim that one of the prime movers in the alleged attempt to prevent the teaching from getting their increase, tried to get a petition to deny them their raise, calling upon bachelors and other persons in the community without children.

Seventeen teachers are affected in the controversy. The present minimum salary is \$80 a month in the grades and \$100 in the high schools.

Members of the board are Mrs. Pearl Wisinger, C. M. Fisch and F. W. Birkenmeyer.

Legion Adds Funds For Centralia Case
Yakima, Wash., Jan. 30.—Logan Wheeler post, American Legion, collected \$202 to help convict the murderers of four members of the legion in Centralia on Armistice day. Commander Sam E. Tyrrell was nominated for reelection and A. J. Gammig, finance officer, was named to oppose him at the annual election. Vice-Commander Phil Englehart was named for reelection.

Play at Mount Angel
Mt. Angel College, Jan. 29.—The Mt. Angel College dramatic club cleverly staged "The College Freshman," a play by Charles W. Ulrich, in the college auditorium, before an audience consisting of the Mt. Angel college faculty, students of Mt. Angel college and seminarians, Mt. Angel academy and normal and visitors from Mt. Angel city and the surrounding community. Leslie Smith, senior from Portland, as Harry Templeton; William Mulhall, junior from Portland, as James Clarke, and Raymond Hartman of Boise, Idaho, were among the players.

Italian Railway Strike Settled
Rome, Jan. 30.—(U. P.)—The government has concluded its negotiations with striking railway workers and the men resumed their duties.

Dayton Girl Is Victim
Dayton, Wash., Jan. 30.—Alma Winnett, aged 17 years, died in this city Thursday from influenza, the first victim of this year's epidemic. More than 100 cases, a greater number than was experienced at any time last year, have been reported.

Crawford Is Coming Saturday to Talk on Sinn Fein Movement
Lindsay Crawford, president of the Protestant Friends of Ireland, is expected in Portland on Saturday. Here he will meet prominent leaders of the Irish colony and will lecture at the Auditorium on "The Sinn Fein Movement." Sunday night at 7 o'clock, Claire Monteith will be soloist at the Sunday night meeting and Frederick W. Goodrich will play Irish melodies on The Auditorium organ. Rabbi Jonah B. Wise will act as chairman.

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River Road Damaged By Clogged Culvert

Oregon City, Jan. 30.—The highway, known as the River road, between Gladstone and Milwaukie, was damaged during the recent heavy rains, when one of the culverts in the area between the John Risley and the H. G. Starkweather farms became clogged, and the water running over the top of the culvert, nearly 20 feet and the hard surface pavement caved in. The washed out place has been filled, but the repair to the pavement will not be made until the county has its paving plant started up in the spring.

Support Wilson for Peace Prizes
London, Jan. 30.—(U. P.)—A dispatch from Stockholm reports the interparliamentary Socialist group has decided to support President Wilson for the 1919 and 1920 Nobel peace prizes.

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