DISPUTE ON MILK PRICE MAY GO TO

The controversy between milk distributors and the Dairymen's with an automobile in charge of V. S. league over the price of milk may Nichols of 1718 Belmont street. Both be placed before a commission appointed by Mayor Baker if Deputy City Attorney Mackay finds on close investigation that contested points of the two factions are sufficient to trict. warrant such a hearing.

A committee representing the distributors appeared before Mayor Baker this morning to urge his appointment of such a commission to settle the disputes. They contended that the Dairymen's league was misrepresenting facts to the public and that they, the distributors, desired to lay their case be-

fore an impartial body. "I do not desire to get mixed up i any controversy over milk prices," said Mayor Baker, "but if the breach is serious between the distributors and Dairymen's league I will gladly appoint the commission. I'm inter can be settled between the two parties without any trouble." Mackay is expected to report to Mayor Baker Friday, following an investigation of both sides of the case.

FOSTER ROAD TAKEN OVER

FROM COUNTY BY CITY road, a county thoroughfare, was officially taken over as a city street Wednesday by unanimous approval by the city council of a resolution presented by City Engineer O. Laurgaard. The city will start work on a sewer ex- to be elected to the legion and few ending from East Fifty-second to East | lieutenant-colonels are selected. Eighty-second street as soon as possible, although the project will not be

completed before next fall. .County Commissioners Muck and Holman agreed Tuesday to lay aside \$40,-000 at their next budget compilation in November to care for grading and paving, in addition to \$42,000 appropriated some time ago. They will pay for the grading of a 24-foot strip to the established city grade, as well as the paving of an 18-foot strip. Fifty-two per cent of the residents fronting on the road pe-titioned the council to improve the

\$6 DAY SCALE WILL BE

PAID COMMON LABORERS "If you pay common laborers \$6 a day you can be sure that the matter of wages will frequently come back to roost with us," said Commissioner Bigelow Wednesday in opposing Commissioner Barbur's resolution establishing the wages of employes who are building the permanent smallpox hospital at Kelly Butte.

Barbur contended that \$6 was the regular union scale and that fallure to pay would mean less work completed, as vell as trouble among other craftsmen. Bigelow asserted that the city would have considerable trouble with its laborers who are now getting but \$5. Bigelow removed his objection when

Mayor Baker declared that the matter was an emergency and should not be held up on account of the labor feature. Barbur's resolution was passed unan-

COURT PROCEEDINGS MAY

ings which would tie up the work for over a year has prevented any action ties. being taken, according to Commissioner

streets, once contemplated by Pier as

Bids for a comfort station in the Two days later Pier decided that the trict Attorney Evans objected, and the location was too far removed from the objection was sustained.

MUNICIPAL BAND CONCERTS CHAMPIONED BY PIER

charge of the park bureau, are of any because it was understood that the poavail in preventing the council from lice would not permit meetings in the trimming the \$10,000 budget allowed last

"It will be a shame if the concerts "People are calling me every day urging that they not be deprived of the there at one time. music. Workingmen especially are eager to have the concerts. Many are indignant that the thought of doing away with the concerts has been enter-tained by council members.

dumping of cans and garbage over the piece of literature going in and out of embankment along Willamette boule- the place." vard was placed before the city council graphs showing large dump heaps, had s Commissioner Bigelow will investigate there.

Marines Will Jazz . For Realty Board

The Roving Marines Saxaphone quin et will put a little jazz into the luncheon meeting of the Portland Realty board Friday noon by rendering a number of choice selections. The meeting will be held in the Tyrolean room of the Benson hotel. Members of the Realty board are all in training for an oratorical contest, the winner of which will represent the City of Portland at the annual convention of the National Association of Real Estate Boards to be held at Kansas City in June, and a few specimens of their elocutionary efforts will be on exhibit at the kuncheon.

"Bossy" went-

The family wasn't altogether sure they wanted to see her go-having raised her from a pet calf. They thought they would run an ad in The Journal just to see if they could sell her. In two days

And the price of a small want ad-say about 12 words -is only 25 cents.

-In The Journal.

Motorist Fined \$40 For Driving Car on Left Side of Street

For driving his automobile on the left side of the street Wednesday night and thereby causing a serious accident, C. C. Wintermute of 333 *East Forty-sixth street was fined \$40 this morning in he municipal court.

Wintermute was arrested by Traffic Investigator Smythe after a collision machines were wadly damaged and Mrs. Nichols was bruised.

H. J. Peck was fined \$5 for operating a machine with a home-made paper li-cense tag, and J. A. Sanstrom \$2 for cutting a corner in the business dis-

FRED AMES HONORED BY FRENCH FOR WORK AS FORESTER IN WAR

Fred Ames, assistant district forester notified today of his election as a memer of the French Legion of Honor, one of the highest French awards given. Ames received this honor through his ord as American representative of inter-allied committee on timber which dealt with all the timber used by the allies. His last five months in mes was a captain of the Twentieth forestry Engineers. He is the only American officer of the forestry engineers

man in district No. 6 to be so elected, although C. S. Chapman, secretary of hie Oregon Forest Fire association and formerly district forester, enjoys the dis-

The legion was founded by Napoleon and membership is given only to officers of high grades. Ames' grade is that of

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this by a young coworker who promised to drop a piece of steel on his head if he didn't join the organization. He denied that his membership in the organization was for the purpose of spying.
"You had no idea of testifying against them, then." Vanderveer asked

"Are you afraid of the I. W. W.?"

"When did you get over being afraid of them?" aswed the attorney. "When I found out who they were, Allen replied.

77,000 REDS IN SEATTLE The witness stated that 77,000 mem

bers of the I. W. W. were around "Where did you get that information?" asked Vanderveer. The witness answered that it was reported at a general Portland is badly in need of public organization committee meeting which comfort stations, but fear of business he attended. Allen said that he had willing that he should die for his counhouses instituting mandamus proceed- never been a member of the Socialist.

to the witness by Vanderveer for iden-A location at West Park and Alder tification, Allen said he had never seen. Vanderveer asked as to the bulletins a possible site for a comfort station, of the I. W. W. branches, and the withas been given up for the same reatogether with financial statements. "Do you know the position of the Fourth and Taylor streets were opened I. W. W. on destruction of property simultaneously with the recent award as declared in its confidential bulletins

the firehouse. to members?" Vanderveer asked. Dis-

ACTED AS CHAIRMAN As chairman of various committees, Band concerts will be held in Port- First and Columbia streets hall in Seland's parks during the coming summer attle, he said, meetings were held upif the efforts of Commissioner Pier, in stairs in other labor organization rooms

regular hall. In another question Vanderveer men tioned that the hall was open under an are done away with this year," said injuction of the court, which ruled that not more than 15 persons were allowed

"Why is this testimony offered?" the judge asked. "To show conclusively this witness is not telling the truth when he said that literature came from the hall at First and Columbia streets in Seattle," Dump Heap Brings Complaint Vanderveer answered. "The police Complaint against the continual guarded the hall and censored every

But on further examination, the Tuesday in a communication from ness said that although he had been John B. Yeon. Yeon submitted photo- about the hall a number of times he had seen no uniformed police stationed

City Employe Is Arrested for Talk With Girl in Jail

Joe Bush, an employe of the city fire bureau, is in the city jail today in de-fault of \$250 bond following his arrest Wednesday night on a "disorderly con-

duct" charge.
The "conduct," police say, consisted in his conversing across the open space MANDAMUS PETITION SEEKS between the upper windows of the Worcester building and the police station where a 15-year-old girl was being held

Patrolmen Drapeau and O'Halloran discovered the inter-window conversation and arrested Bush.
Bush was fined \$25 by Municipal Judge Rossman this morning.

U.S. Officials Back From Inquiry Into Houser's Grain Work

That government inquiry of Max H. Houser's grain handling activities may take another two weeks or even a month was hinted today by special agents of the department of justice and United States Attorney Lester W. Humphreys, following their arrival here from Spokane, where they have been taking testimony for a few days. Hundreds of typewritten pages of tes-imony have already been given. New leads are continually developing.

HERE GET RESPITE

Sentencing of Karl W. Oster, Fred W. Frye and Claude Hurst, convicted row of criminal syndicalism in connection with their membership in the state communist party, was postney W. F. U'Ren for an arrest of

In his motion, U'Ren contended that lengthening of hours was agreed to and sections of the syndicalism act are void a reduction of 15 cents made in the pay. because they are in direct contravention with the state constitution in that an attempt is made to define and provide punishment for the crime of treason ander the name of criminal syndicalism. Treason against the state, according o the constitution, the defense attorney claims, consists only of the levying of war against the state or adhering to its enemies and giving aid and comfort to

The act is also contrary to the federal constitution. U'Ren maintains, in that in charge of forest management, was it abridges the privilege of free speech, free assemblage and free writing.

> date for hearing the motion. The defendant Frye is now out \$500 bond to the state and \$500 to the United States immigration authorities, and arrangements were made to release of \$850 cash bond for each man

ALIMONY OF \$20,000 ASKED

the circuit court.

Unable to stand the treatment longer. the complaint alleges, the wife left Missouri last year and came to her mother The defendant, averred, owns a farm of 457 acres, valued at about \$173,000.

Her husband was a kleptomaniac. Mrs. Lewis charges, stealing personal property from his neighbors and tools Alimony of \$20,000 is asked.

APPLICANT OPPOSES WAR FOR RELIGIOUS REASONS

Religious scruples against taking up arms against a fellow man may bar Theophii Binkele. 830 Clinton street, from attaining the United States citizenship that he so ardently desires. Binkele appeared before Circuit Judge McCourt Wednesday to be examined fo final papers.

Binkele said he was perfectly willing to go in the face of death to succor a fellow man, but his affiliations as a member of the Millennial Dawn sect forbade fighting. Naturalization in-spector Tomlinson has been asked to brief the case, and Judge McCourt, after more thorough investigation, will de-cide whether he is to be admitted.

Binkele's examination in other respects was entirely satisfactory to the He is 32 years old and His wife also testified, saying she was try, but not fight for it.

LUMBER BROKER SUES ON

ALEGED BROKEN CONTRACT Alleging failure to fulfill contract, James H. Hardy, California lumber broker, has filed suit in United States district court against the Brighton reports as to strikes, jobs and so on, Mills company. He asks judgment for

According to his complaint, Hardy entered into contract with the Brighton mill December 9, 1918, for 30 carloads of rough lumber at \$16 a thousand feet, which would total about \$3200. Since, however, the price of this lum-

ber has gone up to \$42 a thousand, it is said, and the mill has failed to fill its contract. Hardy asks the difference be-Allen said he had presided at 10 or 12 tween current lumber prices and those I. W. W. meetings in Seattle. In the which prevailed when the contract was made.

COMPLAINS OF HUSBAND'S ACTS IN DIVORCE SUIT

A husband who insisted on his right of purchasing her hats and clothing, who forced her to can fruit and do other household duties during vacation times, who complained of her cooking and pushed her into the bath tub, was too much for Mrs. Angeline Rose Robbins. who today filed suit for divorce from Omar Clark Robbins in the circuit court. Mrs. Robbins also asks \$600 for a property settlement. The plaintiff accused erry settlement. The plaintiff accused her spouse of compelling her to work to support herself and to contribute to the household expenses. In the evening, after coming home from work tired, her cooking was a constant source of complaint from the defendant, she al-

STREET IMPROVEMENT BIDS OPENED BY CITY AUDITOR

Several bids for improvements of streets were opened Wednesday before the city council by City Auditor George R. Funk. The list includes.

Jersey street: United Contracting company, \$38,917.50; Cochran Brothers, \$40,962.50. East Thirty-fifth street: Municipal Paving plant, \$2,191; Warren Construction company, \$2,831.50; Hahn & Rebmen, \$2,927.50. Westover road: United Contracting company, \$13.526. Tenino avenue: The United Contracting company, \$3,127.40. Wygant street: Hahn & Rebman, \$15.723, United Contracting company, \$15.867.

REDUCTION IN ASSESSMENTS

Claiming that tax assessment on its personal property was more than twice what it properly should be and that the taxes charged were consequently more than twice double the real amount due, D. N. & E. Walter Co., wholesale carpet merchants, have filed petition for writ of mandamus against Sheriff Hurlburt, ex-officio tax collector, in the circuit

The assessment listed by the county was \$17,380 and the taxes \$639.59, the complaint alleges, while the proper as-sessment should be \$7972 and the taxes \$293.37, it is claimed.

Patrolman Is Accused

Charging malicious arrest and persecution, \$5000 is asked of E. M. Taylor. plainclothes patrolman, in a suit filed in the circuit court Wednesday by William E. Warfel, 305 Fifth street. arrested on February 8, Warfel alleges, the policeman became impatient because he did not accompany him quickly enough and drawing a gun threatened to kill him. Warfel charges that his wife was ill at the time and that he at police headquartera

Printers' Scale in Tacoma Cut Down For Coming Year

Tacoma, Wash., March 25 .- (U. P.)-Contracts signed yesterday afternoon between the three daily newspapers of Tacoma and the four printing trades Tazwell today. The petition cited that mions covering wage scales and working conditions for the coming year be-

came effective here today. The new printers' scale calls for a last week before Circuit Judge Mor- wage of \$8 on the day shift and \$8.50 estate in Oregon and money, stocks and Standard Oil company April 1. This for night work, reductions of 62 and 98 bonds, invested for the most part in the information emanates from two cents, respectively, under the former

the state communist party, was post-poned this morning by the court wages are fixed at \$8 and \$8.50, a reuntil April 10 on motion of Attor- duction of 32 cents on the night shift and the hours are lengthened from six

In the case of mailers, a similar

Election Contest Between Anglers To Be Hot Affair

A heated session of the Multnomah Anglers' club is predicted for Friday vening, when the organization meet in the Oregon building for its annual election of officers. The ticket an-"It will be a very, very interesting nounced proposes: For president, Walter argument," said Judge Morrow in fixing F. Backus, now secretary and part owner of a fishing tackle store; for pires to the post now occupied by State Senator John Kill; for secretary-treasurer, Jack Hermann; for executive com-France were spent in Paris on this work. Oster and Hurst today on the posting mittee members, L. L. Dubois, Ray C. Winter, F. H. Wolgamot, H. W. Metzger and W. L. Kinser Jr. Richard W. Price, who is also presi-

BY WOMAN SEEKING DIVORCE dent of the Oregon State Hotelmen's Inhuman treatment in the forcing of association, is the retiring president of his wife to do the heavy work on a farm the Anglers' club. He is understood t In Missouri is one of the grounds on be vigorously opposed to the proposed which Mrs. Edith Lewis is seeking a ticket on the ground that it is a "slate" divorce from Melvina Lewis of Gentry, maneuvered by those who wish the An-Mo., in a complaint filed Wednesday in glers' club to be dominated by political influences ascribed to the fish and game commission. The club has been in contention with the fish and game commission most of the year and its protest was largely responsible for the mission's reorganization at the special legislative session.

Fire Damage \$50

A cigar stub thrown into a box of sawfrom men who worked for him. He dust in the C. O. White grocery store, when Federal Judge Wolverton dismissed threatened the children on several occa- 1883 East Glisan street, started a fire the indictment on motion of United sions, she charged, when they saw him Wednesday night that did about \$50 States Attorney Humphreys. in the act of thievery, promising vio-lence should they tell of his actions E. Baughman. Engines 19 and 27 and Woodstock grocer, who sold sugar for 15 tion of Anderson seemed small. truck 4 responded to the alarm.

Dr. H. F. Ong Made Guardian of Estate Of Thomas Prince

Dr. H. F. Ong was appointed guardian of H. T. Prince, chief beneficiary of the Thomas Prince estate, valued at \$800,-000, in an order signed by Probate Judge tated and unable to care for the busi

February 3. The estate consists of real states of Maine, Massachusetts and New York.

Numerous beneficiaries were named, be reasonably authentic. including an eastern municipality, vari-ous benevolent institutions for the aged, Masonic and G. A. R. organizations. Harold T. Prince was left the old family home, consisting of 83 acres near Dundee and the residence at 901 Alameda Drive, together with \$110,000 in

Washington, March 25 .- (I. N. S.) -Actual expenditures by the war department on account of the war with Germany total to date \$16,000,vice president, Paul P. Farren, who as- 000,000, according to General William Lord, chief of the finance division of the war department, in testifying today before the house military affairs committee.

Sugar Profiteering Indictment Against Grocer Dismissed

A. W. Anderson, grocer, recently charged by the government with violation of the Lever food control act by selling sugar at more than 13 cents a pound, it to produce the gasoline. which had been declared "fair" by the federal fair price commissioner, today was freed from chances of prosecution Anderson sold sugar for 14 pound, and inasmuch as L. Eckert, States district court, chances of convic-

FURTHER RISE IN **GASOLINE PRICES**

Another rise in the price of gasoline is said to be slated by the sources, either one of which would

One of these sources said there would be a rise "in the next few days" of "3 schools of the state. cents." The other said there "would not given

Further evidence that a rise impends was contained in a message from New York over a broker wire Tuesday that wholesale market had advanced there. This was evidently an unexpected and premature leak and the report was throttled so quickly that telegraph news bureaus in New York city met denials, but they admit they received orders to stop the sale of coupons and that they did so yesterday afternoon!

The price rose in November from 23 to 25 cents a gallon and March 15 from Local officials of the Standard Wednesday denied that orders to in-

crease the price had been received. Standard Oil officials this morning exsmall user of gasoline. If big concerns Vick Brothers of Salem, was sold Wed-and speculators should be allowed to go into the market and buy unlimited for \$85,000. The building will be used prior sale at lower price to the big immediately.

consumers and speculators. This would The building occupies lots 1 and 2, the completeness of the next general have to be shouldered by the small con-sumer who is unable financially to buy his gasoline supply in large amounts. Should be storied in height with a full basement and 100 by 100 feet in dimensions. The the price, no matter how much it cost This discontinuance of coupons,

circulation of a rumor of another increase, even to the extent of fixing the amount and the date.

Woman's Lovejoy-For-Congress Club Will Be Organized

The Jackson club will hold its monthly meeting Friday evening at 8 o'clock in Central library hall. Thornton A. Miles will deliver the address of the evening, his subject being "Fiddles and Fortunes." Miss Mary Neely will

The question of an increase in the pay of school teachers will be discussed by Miss Leona Larrabe, who will also speak concerning the millage tax bill, which is to be voted upon at the special election May 21, carrying a two

At the conclusion of the meeting Mrs. Alice McNaught will organize a women's "Lovejoy-for-Congress Club," to membership in which all Democratic refers to the bull in the struggle at Berwomen of Multnomah county have been

The new concrete building at the plained that discontinuance of the sale southwest corner of East Second and coupons was a move to protect the Madison streets recently completed by volume of gasoline at current prices, it as a machine shop by the American is explained, in case later it should be Can company and according to L. P. necessary again to increase the price. Kendall, local manager of the con-the increase would have to be sufficient cern, alterations to the building and to overcome any loss occasioned through installation of machinery will begin

they said. Moreover, if its output of ground was purchased by Vick Brothgasoline for perhaps years ahead were ers several months ago for approxisold at current prices, the company mately \$20,000 and the cost of erectcould not more than nominally raise ing the building was about \$65,000. the price, no matter how much it cost it was the intention of Vick Brothers to use the building as a warehouse and salesrooms for tractors and agri-Standard officials believed, inspired the cultural machinery but the decision of the manufacturers of Ford tractors to handle the sale of their products through a local Ford agency necessitated a change in the plans of the been granted to Evelyn B. Clark from Salem company. The transfer of the Harry Clark on the grounds of cruelty. cents a cents, was acquitted after trial in United property to the American Can comproperty to the Amesrican Can com-pany was made through Wakefield, whom has been given to the parents

SOVIET MONEY

By Frank Mason

Berlin, March 25 .- (I. N. S.)-Wireless to New York.)-Labor's armistice in the battle for a dictatorship by the proletariat may endure for six or eight weeks, according to present plans, it was learned from a prominent labor leader to-

(The "armistice" mentioned evidently lin and not to the reported cessation of hostilities in the Ruhr district between Reds and government troops.)

"There is a possibility that a Russian army will appear upon the Lithuanian frontier in the meantime to cooperate with the German workers' army, if impatient workers do not precipitate a crisis before the workers' plans are fully matured," said this labor leader. TIME TO PREPARE

"The armistice will give us time to prepare for a renewal of the struggle. We have three powerful weapons: First, the general strike; second, the workmen's army, and third, Russian

(This was the first revelation that Russian money is being used in Germany to further the cause of counter revolution against the Ebert government.)

"The strikers are without funds and have very little food. They are out and need an armistice to gather their strength and to stock up their larders. through propaganda to win over those now supporting the Ebert government. "Measures will be taken to insure

do the most good." The labor leader explained that his fellow chiefs were careful about using the terms "Reds" and "Bolshevism" in describing the struggle which in progress because they feared the sympathies of the more conservative trade unionists might be alienated.

Woman Wins Divorce La Grande, March 25.-A divorce has equally.



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to the Easter

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Lisle top, reinforced heel and toe.

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VESTS— \$3.35, \$3.69, \$4.25, \$6.25. KNICKERS—

\$3.65. \$5.85. \$6.75. CHEMISE—

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the full advantage IF you come early! We ourselves are selling similar dresses from stock at \$39.50 to \$42.50, and they're worth it. But we bought this lot at a discount from the manufacturer, so we can give our customers the benefit. Think of buying a smart new dress with puffed-at-the-hip effect and other modish features for \$29.50! Add to that your satisfaction in knowing that you are saving at least \$10 on the purchase and you

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Colors Gray

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All-Wool Plaid Skirts

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Georgette Blouses \$6.95

Regular \$8.50 to \$11.50

We have outdone even our own reputation for blouses of superior quality at low price in offering this wonderful pre-Easter reduction. The prudent woman will anticipate her spring and summer blouse needs while this sale is on. Styles practical and dainty, with trimmings of lace, embroidery and beading. After a glimpse of them, most women will not be satisfied with buying only one!

Sale of Jersey Suits

Truly unusual bargains. these all-wool, heavyweight jersey suits in trim, belted styles. Tucks, pleats and fancy pockets add smartness. Heather mixtures and plain shades of tan, blue, rookie, reindeer, navy and brown.

SPORTS COATS \$25 \$27.50 \$29.50

Universally becoming, these coats of polo cloth, velour and silvertone in short and three-quarter length. Ripple backs are usually confined by narrow belts, while collars are notched or convertible.

Silk Petticoats

Jersey, jersey top and taffeta, in plain and changeable shades. Splendid quality-in fact, customers have told us that it is the best in Portland at the price. You may judge for yourself.