

CLATSOP WANTS TO ADMINISTER OWN DAIRY INTERESTS

Astoria, Oct. 27.—New hope was born in Clatsop county dairymen Wednesday upon the return from Portland of the delegation which Tuesday conferred with the board of directors of the Oregon Dairymen's league and obtained a promise to accede to the demands of the league members in this zone, if it is found that this can be done legally.

The principal contention sought was that the affairs of zone 5, including Clatsop county, should be administered from Astoria. Local dairymen, businessmen and bankers have agreed that such a change would go far to alleviate the distress of the dairy industry, which has been blamed on the management of the league's affairs, and deposit of the league's funds in banks outside the zone in which they originate, thus damaging the credit of dairymen with their home district banks.

PLAN FIRST OPPOSED

The returning delegates reported that the state league directors at first were strongly against this plan, but agreed to it when it was shown that the future of the league in the lower Columbia district depended upon it. If the league's attorneys decide that the change from central management to local zone management can be done legally, the board of directors are determined to authorize it. No mention was made of a similar change in the other zones, but the Astoria delegates assumed that this would be forced if the Astoria attempt proved beneficial. Announcement of the board's final decision in the matter was promised by November 1.

It is understood that the argument which followed the Clatsop county de-

LIBRARY BOARD'S RIGHT TO \$30,000 NOW QUESTIONED

The public library board discovered yesterday, when it met with the state tax supervising and conservation commission, that it has been carrying some \$30,000 around with it from year to year which it ought out to have been doing under a strict construction of the law. The board, it seems, has been carrying this amount as a revolving fund for several years, in order that it would not be compelled to borrow money and pay interest during the "low" period of the year, when tax money usually drains out of the county treasury and the various departments of government go on interest bearing warrant or loan basis.

It is the expectation of the library board that an unexpended balance of approximately \$1200 will be on hand at the close of the year. The financing system of the county, and of all other governmental units in the state for that matter, is based on the theory that the amount appropriated each year, or each year biennial in the case of the state, will be totally exhausted at the close of the fiscal year, or the appropriation period. For that reason the library board's revolving fund is out of kilter with the system, even though it might be business economy to maintain it, and will, in all probability, be wiped out in the coming budget.

The tax commission discussed the library budget with the library board yesterday, and then took it under advisement for further action. Tomorrow the big county budget will be taken up by the tax commission for general discussion.

Cut in Eastbound Rate on Vegetable And Fruit Sought

Application has been made to the Interstate commerce commission for permission to reduce rates on fruit and vegetable waste from Pacific coast points to eastern territory, effective on short notice, according to an announcement made Wednesday by J. H. Mulchay, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific company. The law requires 30 days' notice, but Mulchay says the carriers expect to have that requirement waived so the reduction will benefit the fruit and vegetable canners and crushers, who have large stocks on hand as the result of canning and crushing operations during the present season.

Mulchay stated that the reduction will amount to 25 per cent and will apply to apple chop, cores, pomace, scraps and skins. Rates to Chicago and points west will be reduced from \$1.25 to 90 cents a hundred pounds.

Irrigation Project To Cost \$30,000 Is Plan of Lane Man

Salem, Oct. 26.—The irrigation of 335 acres of land in Lane county, involving development work at an estimated expenditure of \$30,000, is contemplated by Walter A. Woodard of Cottage Grove, who has filed with the state engineer's office here an application covering the use of water from Bear Gulch spring, a tributary to Rogue river.

Other filings covering water rights have been made as follows:

By Don Thomas A. Whrey of Eugene, water from Deschutes river for irrigation of 60 acres in Deschutes county.

By E. Bonall of Watson, water from Owhee river for irrigation of 40 acres in Malheur county. Under this permit it is expected to construct one and a half miles of ditch at an estimated expenditure of \$3000.

14 YEARS FOR KILLING WIFE

Greenville, Ill., Oct. 27.—(L. N. S.)—William P. Carrillon today was sentenced by a jury to 14 years' imprisonment for killing his wife, Mabel G. Carrillon.

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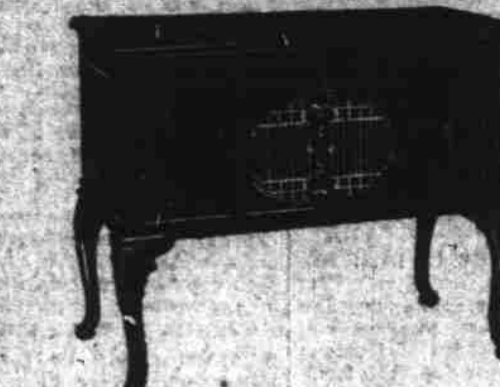
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