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Dairymen's Committee Investigate at Portland and Make a Full Report

The following report on the workings of the Portland office of the Dairymen's Co-operative League made by two well known citizens of Benton and Curry county, where the dairymen there sent up to Portland to investigate the matter, will, we feel sure, be read with great interest by every dairyman in the valley, whether he be a member of the league or not. The character and standing of Messrs. Sweet and Zumwalt are such that what they say will carry weight everywhere:

The principal points for this investigation we are placing as follows:

First—Misunderstanding of July check statements.

Second—Cause of delay in payment for produce.

Third—To find if head officials are straight, efficient men, or if they are grafters.

Before reporting these specific points we wish to say that we found the head office of the League was ten time greater than we expected, and to examine the office of an organization transacting business for 2135 members we found was more of an undertaking than we anticipated.

Regarding July statement as sent out by Portland office, we found the statement as furnished was not comprehensive and it was impossible for the patron to learn the accuracy of his account from the information furnished. It was necessary to have the figures used in the head office to get the accounts figured correctly. By taking the entire July sales and the totals of expense, sinking fund, interest, etc., an equal per cent of deduction can be figured and by using these factors a just division can be made. We figured in this way quite a number of statements furnished by different members, and with one exception found the check statements as distributed by the League were correct.

In the apparent double charge for freight, we found only one charge was deducted. When the check for the first half of July was sent to the League, the gross amount (including freight) was turned into the pool and in disbursing pool payments the freight charged had to be deducted. The cause for incompleteness of the July statements, as explained by the officials, was due to the fact that the details of their system were not worked out. Their bookkeeping system is still in the hands of Roberts & Crandall, certified accountants, and eventually the League plans to give a concise comprehensive statement with each payment, and will be an improvement on the August statement, which is clear to the average member.

Reporting on the second cause of investigation, "Delay in payment for produce." We have found the head office has made reasonably prompt settlements. Your League is not a capital organization. It is merely a co-operative marketing system. It pools your several products of cheese, cream and milk and when these pools are closed the funds from them are all paid out, and as the general overhead expenses must be equalized it is necessary that all pools be closed before returns from any one can be disbursed. Cheese is a slow product. To accumulate thirty days milk, manufacture it into cheese, ripen, ship and sell it and then wait the usual commercial time for payment requires three to four months. Your cheese has its share of overhead expense so the quick selling pools must wait on it. However, you received advances and by using trade acceptances hereafter they plan to pay 80 per cent of your returns as soon as your product is manufactured. In using these your bank advances the money and charges interest. This is a more just method than that used by your former organizations or buyers who had to borrow three or four months' advances, and who necessarily had to charge patrons who did not need the advance his share of interest along with the patrons who did need the money they borrowed. In other words, you who sold butter and cheese paid a share of overhead for interest, if you needed your advances or not.

Now in the third cause for investigation, to learn what kind of men are handling their money, your committee is not giving personal opinions or estimations they may have formed of these men. Our report is based absolutely on conclusions derived from the oldest and most reliable information available. Our statements in this regard are unbiased personally, and will be short but will cover what you wish to know.

Regarding the President of the League, our investigation shows he is a man of the highest moral standing, capable of handling big business and absolutely square. Our information shows that he is in the League for the benefit of the dairy and farming industry, and is a man who could not afford to, and would have no connection with an organization that is not working on the square.

We were unable to get much information on your manager, Mr. Hall, other than that he is experienced in big corporations, is a dairyman as a side issue, and capable of earning as much or more from other sources than you pay him. The secretary, Mr. Tyler, is capable, and a man who gets his work done. We inferred from the reports that he is an old employee of Mr. Katz and transferred to this work on account of his ability.

Your auditor, Mr. Mackey, has been employed twelve years at the First National Bank at Portland and they state that they were very sorry to lose him from their institution. Our information shows that he is a man of exceptional ability as an accountant, and that he would have no connection with any organization which is not open and straight in operations.

The work of Mr. Simpson, salesman, speaks for itself.

The League paper is self supporting and besides giving the members the current information of the League business, has paid as much as $500 a month above the cost of operating.

Now regarding an investigation of accounts, we found as stated, that the Portland office was ten times as great as we expected. It would take us two weeks time, besides considerabl expense in staying this length of time in Portland, to make this audit and verify the receipts and disbursements of the office. With the reports we have on the officials, Mr. Katz at its head, and Mr. Mackey in charge of the books, we could see no necessity of incurring this expense, especially when the by-laws of the organization call for a certified audit to be published about Jan. 1st, which is only two weeks away and will cover the information desired by you.

We secured from Messrs. Roberts and Crandall certified accountants, who are installing and have charge of the books, a statement to the effect that the accounts are correct and in balance, also we proved from their figures the correctness of the different July accounts we had from different members.

The system used is the same as is

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MYRTLE POINT ITEMS.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Thompson was the scene of a very enjoyable dinner party on Monday evening. The occasion was a surprise to Mr. Thompson, being given by Mrs. Thompson in honor of his birthday anniversary. After the delicious dinner had been partaken of the guests retired to the living room, where the remainder of the evening was spent in listening to vocal and instrumental music and also in playing cards. The guests present were Mr. O. H. Clarke, Dr. O. H. Clarke, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Carter and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Gray, of Pompey's Pillar, Montana, arrived in Myrtle Point with the intention of locating permanently here.

Mrs. Adell Harriot, of this city, passed away after a brief and severe illness of pneumonia and pleurisy. At her death Myrtle Point lost one of her most devout, loyal and respected citizens.

Lest Ashcraft, who has been for the past week in Dr. Clarke's sanitarium with pneumonia, has so far recovered as to be permitted to return home to Powers Tuesday.

Elvin Wiedmann, second son of C. F. Wiedmann, of Bandon, has been sick and Dr. Clarke was called Monday. At this writing is much improved.

Frank Miller, of the Standard Oil, of Coquille, was in this city Wednesday.

The Myrtle Point Alumni played a very exciting game of basket ball against the high school Stars Wednesday evening. Owing to the absence of three of the high school's best players, the Alumni won by a score of forty-one to seven. The boys have been practising diligently in expectation of the game last night with Jefferson High school.

Joe Sumerlin, of Gravel Ford, is spending a few days in our city visiting relatives and friends.

The familiar face of J. D. Barklew is once again seen in our midst.

Mike Zumerlin, of Baker Creek, was in Myrtle Point Wednesday.

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[illegible] said Mr. Rooster.

"We know you," said the other hens [illegible].

"Then my attention, please, to what I have to say."

"Is it of any importance?" they asked.

"Of great importance," he said.

"What?" they [illegible].

"[illegible] everything I say is of importance," he added proudly as he strutted about the barnyard.

"Well, there might be a difference of opinion about that" said Mr. Red Top Rooster.

"Yes, there might be a difference of opinion," said Miss Pidgety Fashionable Hen.

"Just as there is a difference of opinion as to whether a caterpillar is popular or not," said Mrs. White Hen. "Other caterpillars might say yes, people might say no."

"Ridiculous talk, Mrs. White Hen," said Mr. Rooster. "I'm surprised at you."

"You needn't be," said Mrs. White Hen.

"You needn't be surprised at anything" said Master Pig, who was in an open shed near the barn. He had gone there for he had found it cold out of doors and now he was looking under

"I'm Surprised"

the barn of his shed, putting his head way out and looking this way and that with his funny eyes.

He could hear what was going on and as there was new no food around he was quite interested.

"Of course," he explained, "I wouldn't be interested if there were any food around. I'm only a pig and after all pigs are pigs and love their food."

"I heard," said Mrs. White Hen, "that Pinky Pig was much puzzled the other day because he found his mother sitting in front of some pigweed and not touching it. He couldn't make it out because she said that she was not ill.

"Poor Pinky was dreadfully upset about it, though he didn't bother to [illegible] his mother had [illegible] that she had been no [illegible] of it that she had actually gotten to the point where she couldn't eat any more. Of course Pinky was glad of that for he had a good deal extra to eat because of that fact. But for a time he was much puzzled. Cackle, cackle, that was funny."

"But only natural," said Master Pig from the shed.

"Weren't you going to say something, grunt, grunt?" he added, looking out of his funny eyes at Mr. Rooster.

"I was," said Mr. Rooster. "But I've almost forgotten what I was going to say. Maybe I was going to tell about the visit Mrs. Christopher Skunk paid around here last night and of how she gave her various warnings letting every one know she would send forth that horrible odor which is her protection. She always has a series of warnings to give first!

"But no, that wasn't what I was going to say. I was going to speak about old automobiles which have always bothered me and my family.

"I heard that when the farmer's children visited the seashore this summer they made automobiles in the sand and sat in the sand seats they made and pretended to drive the sand automobiles along.

"That made me mad for it was paying too much attention to the old automobile and flattering it. But at last I am happy, for I hear that automobiles are very jealous of airplanes. And I prefer airplanes.

"I'll tell you one thing—they can toot their horns all they like up in the sky and we will crow and crow and never pay any attention to them.

"Ah, I'm glad that airplanes are making the automobiles jealous, silly dust-stirring things.

"Airplanes will be different. If they stir up a few clouds how much nicer that will be than stirring up dust. And we won't be chased from cloud to cloud as we are from one side of the road to the other, for we won't be there to be chased! That makes me so happy, and I can't help thinking about it over and over again. It's worth hearing over and over again too."

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